

ChristChurch London Life Group Discussion Outline – 04/01/09
“The Scandal of the Cross” – David Stroud

Read Isaiah 52:13-53:12

1. Jesus really died & his death was violent & horrific (Is. 52:14).
Why is it important for us to be clear on what happened when Jesus died?
Discuss your reactions to David’s description of Jesus death on Sunday.
2. We are really sinners facing God’s wrath in need of salvation (Is. 53:5).
To what degree do Christians struggle to really engage with the fact that man is not intrinsically good? What are some of the challenges we face in communicating this truth to unbelieving friends who may feel man is essentially morally good?
3. Jesus’ call to “take up your Cross” (Matt 16:24-26), has fresh impact as we appreciate how Jesus died. How does this effect our approach to being a disciple of Christ? Share with one another some of the challenges that you face in 2009 in taking up your Cross to follow Christ.
4. Jesus “took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows” (Is. 53:4). The death of Jesus has the power to deeply impact your life to deal with illness, disappointments, suffering, tragedy & grief. Spend some time praying with one another for these things, sharing any area in which you desire God to break in.