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ST. GEORGE'S HOSPITAL

St George's Healthcare NHS Trust

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- ← Bence Jones
- ← Courtyard Clinic (Sexual Health)
- ← Education Centre
- ← Energy Centre
- ← Hand Unit
- ← Ingleby House
- ← Knightsbridge Wing
- ← Maxillofacial & Day Surgery
- ← National Blood Service
- ← Occupational Health



- Emergency Department (A&E)
- Atkinson Morley Wing
- Bronte House and Annex
- Clare House
- Dragon Children's Centre
- Grosvenor Wing (Main Entrance)
- Lanesborough Wing
- Ronald McDonald House
- Sir Joseph Hotung Centre
- St James Wing

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UNDERCOVER CHRISTIAN

“IF WE’RE LUCKY, NOBODY WILL NOTICE WE’RE HERE”

COMING SOON TO A BROOM
CUPBOARD NEAR YOU

STARRING TIM IDITY, SI LENT-WITNESS, LUKE THEOTHERWAY,
DEE NIAL AND IVOR CONFIDENCEISSUE







Sharing our faith ...

What are we afraid of?

We can be afraid of ...

Looking foolish

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Being asked a question I can't answer

Group Discussion

1. What are some of the fears that you have experienced when it comes sharing your faith?
2. Why do you think so many of us find evangelism intimidating or nerve-wracking?
3. If you wouldn't call yourself a Christian, do you think it's easy—or hard—talking about spirituality, faith, and God in our contemporary culture?





“I love being a Christian and a GP, there are so many wonderful opportunities for evangelism.”

~ Peter



The Power of Questions



Jesus: The Master Question-Asker

Then the Pharisees went out and laid plans to trap him in his words. They sent their disciples to him along with the Herodians. “Teacher,” they said, “we know that you are a man of integrity and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. You aren’t swayed by others, because you pay no attention to who they are. Tell us then, what is your opinion? Is it right to pay the imperial tax to Caesar or not?”

Matthew 22:15-17

But Jesus, knowing their evil intent, said, “You hypocrites, why are you trying to trap me? Show me the coin used for paying the tax.” They brought him a denarius, and he asked them, “Whose image is this? And whose inscription?” “Caesar’s,” they replied. Then he said to them, “So give back to Caesar what is Caesar’s, and to God what is God’s.”

Matthew 22:18-22

“The right answer to
the wrong question is
always unhelpful.”

Group Discussion

Turn to the two or three people next to you and have a look together at Mark 10:17-22. That's the famous story of Jesus and the Rich Young Ruler. For ten minutes, discuss together how Jesus uses a question to turn this entire conversation around.

As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees before him. “Good teacher,” he asked, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?”

“Why do you call me good?” Jesus replied.

“No one is good — except God alone.”

Mark 10:17-18

Three Powerful Questions

What do you mean by that?

Why do you think that?

Have you ever wondered?



Powerful Question ①

“What do you mean by that?”



Powerful Question ②

“*Why do you think that?*”



Powerful Question ③

“Have you ever wondered?”

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Powerful Question ③

“Have you ever wondered?”

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John 10:10

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