



### **Worship**

I will offer up my life (CD)



### **Fellowship**

Make a list of things you like about St. James.

What things could you offer to help improve?



### **Discipleship**

Listen to Neil's CD

What is the difference between being a member and being an attender?

1. A Biblical reason
2. A Cultural reason
3. A Practical reason
4. A Personal reason

Any questions about Neil's talk?

### **Read and Reflect:** Mark 8: 34-38

- V34 What does Jesus mean by 'denying self'?
- V34 Are you aware of any cross Jesus is asking you to pick up?
- V35 How can we gain our life by losing it?
- Why does Jesus place the bar of discipleship so high?



### **Ministry**

Leader: Hand out the Membership Covenant Cards

"Having received Christ as my Lord and Saviour, and being in agreement with St. James in the City's purpose statements, strategy and structure, I now feel led by the Holy Spirit to unite with the St. James in the City church family. In doing so, I commit myself to God and to the other members to do the following:

LIVE as a member of St. James by:

- Gathering with the Body of Christ each week
- Supporting the members of your Purpose Group.

## Membership Bible Study 2

GROW as a disciple of Christ by:

- reading God's word
- spending time with God daily
- being a member of the Purpose Group
- giving generously to God's work

SERVE my community by:

- completing your SHAPE profile
- having a one to one interview
- discovering which Purpose Group to join

BUILD God's Kingdom by:

- learning to share your story
- going on a short term mission trip

LOVE God by:

- spending some time in His presence each day
- making corporate worship your top priority

\* These are aspirations not rules. Sometimes there are very good reasons why a member cannot or even should not commit to one or two of the above. I will be happy to discuss any issues with you personally.

### Questions

1. Are you ready to become a member of St. James or do you need more time?
2. Explain that Neil or James will have a one to one chat with each person who wants to become a member.
3. Announce the date that new members will be presented to the congregation



### Worship

Listen again to "I will offer up my life" and encourage people to sign their membership covenants.