

**ST. BARNABAS CHURCH, SWANLAND**  
**SMALL GROUPS NOTES**

*Sharing Christ through friendship*

Week beginning 26 September 2010.      John1:35-43, Acts 4:8-13. – Also read John 1:1-18 Jesus – Son of God  
 (Back to Church Sunday)

<b>Welcome/ icebreaker</b>	Share experiences of a time when you went back. ( It could be to a place, or a job, or when you re-read a book or...)Was it a positive experience?
<b>Worship</b>	Choose some songs/hymns that speak of God’s acceptance and/or of Jesus. Just as I am, My Jesus, my Saviour, All hail King Jesus. <b>Pray</b> that the Holy Spirit will reveal God’s truth to you and for you today, as you read his word and meet him through it.
<b>Word</b> (refs.↓)	Sermon available to listen to on <a href="http://www.stbchurch.org.uk">www.stbchurch.org.uk</a> if you missed it. Click on “downloads”.
John1:1-18	What does this passage tell us about the identity of Jesus, his purpose and how he can be known?
John1: 35-49	Consider John the Baptist. the“two disciples”(v37), Simon, Philip and Nathanael. What were their different experiences of Jesus? How did John the Baptist and Nathanael and how can anyone know that Jesus is the Son of God?
John 1:38,39	Jesus asked, “ <i>What do you want?</i> ” You are a disciple of Jesus. How would you answer that question? Do they answer at once? Consider v39.
V42 Acts 4:8-13	What does this verse tell us about Jesus’ knowledge of Simon – and of us? How do you feel about this? How does the Acts passage link to this verse?
	“Come and see.” “Come as you are” Thank God for his invitation and acceptance. Name some people who you would like to accept his invitation. Pray as the Holy Spirit leads.
<b>Witness</b>	How will you help those you named to find evidence of the love Jesus this week? Could you invite someone to Coffee Chat, to the Marriage Course, to the Harvest Supper?
	<b><i>Advanced Notice: Tuesday Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> 7.45pm - Celebration Evening with Ian Parkinson</i></b> (Leader of New Wine in the North and East) – a special evening of worship and encouragement <u>here at St. Barnabas</u> – please come and bring your friends/ cell group!