

# LIFEGROUP STUDY

## WE ARE HIS CHURCH: UNITY

*These LifeGroup questions are structured to allow for deeper discussions following on from the Sunday sermon. However, please don't limit yourself to just these questions, feel free to ask more questions as the Spirit leads. May the Spirit lead you and your group to dig deeper into knowing more about God.*

### WARMING UP

If you were a food ingredient, what would you choose to be and why?

### INTO THE PASSAGE

#### GENESIS 11:1-9

1. Why were the people so eager to build a tower?
2. How might a non-Christian portray God in this narrative?
3. Why did God eliminate such uniformity?
4. "Uniformity can breed pride" and "Unity doesn't mean uniformity" what does that mean? Do you agree or disagree with these statements?
5. How can we look to appreciate other peoples' differences?

#### READ REVELATION 7:9-10

6. What is the context of this passage? What is the significance?
7. Why is this a beautiful picture of diversity? How does diversity glorify God?

#### READ EPHESIANS 4:1-16

8. What are the differences between the unity that already exists among Christians (v3-7), and the things which Christians are to seek (v13-16)?
9. How is the first to be preserved and the second part to be attained?

### MOVING FORWARD TOGETHER

10. So how do we keep the unity of the faith, practically speaking? In our families? In our workplaces or schools? Or whatever context God has placed us in?
11. How does BCEC fit into the unity of God's Kingdom Vision?
12. What do you think God wants for our church in terms of unity?
13. And what role do we all play in this?

### FINAL WORDS

*No one culture can have a monopoly on God. He wants the different cultures and perspectives to exist so that when they all come together, all can learn a greater picture about who God is. Someone has wisdom in a certain area, another person can know more about God in another area: there's so much richness to how we all view God, so sharing the beauty of God can allow for a deeper appreciation and understanding of God, sharing such things can be really impactful for one another. Diversity can also force us to adapt, change, learn and offer grace to one another which brings God the most glory. And just like each ingredient combined in to a mix of other ingredients, we can all work together to create an amazing dish full of flavour.*

Spend some time as a group to pray for God to help us as we deal with different people in whichever context He places us in. Is there a particular person you are struggling to get along well with? Pray into that as a group.