

Some Suggestions for a Bible Study

Group Studies.

1) The Planetwise Bible Study from Christian Environmental charity A Rocha.



- Download the free resource pack at :

<https://atyourservice.arocha.org/en/planetwise-2008-resource-pack-bible-studies/>

There are six bible studies with quizzes, questions for discussion, and suggested actions for lifestyle change. There are handouts and leaders notes.

1. Introduction: Changing our World View
2. Creation
3. Creation's Groaning
4. The Land
5. Jesus – Saviour of the World
6. The New Creation – 'On Earth as in heaven'



The course material is quite extensive and detailed. You may want to prune the course down to suit your needs, but you won't be short of helpful material.

2) Climate Change and the Purposes of God - A Lent course from Operation Noah.



Download the material free at:

<https://operationnoah.org/resources/lent-course-climate-change-purposes-god/>

There are five sessions, with handouts and leaders notes for each

- 1: Does climate change matter? If so, why does it matter?
- 2: How can I better celebrate creation as God's gift?
- 3: What is God asking of me?
- 4: What do I need to change?
- 5: What can I do now to cherish God's earth?

This course offers good material, though might need a confident session leader to get the most from it.

Individual Bible Study and Reflection

The Church of England has recently published some very accessible materials to support Creation care during lent 2020; their #LiveLent' resources. There are two booklets available

- The **Adults' Edition** (£1.99) offers a daily Bible reading, a short reflection and an action to help you live in greater harmony with God, neighbour and nature.

- The **Kids' edition** (£1.50) provides a daily challenge to honour and treasure the earth, weekly short prayers and Bible readings on creation themes.

These both available from 'Church House Publishing'

<https://www.chpublishing.co.uk/features/live-lent>

- Looking for a Lent book?

The Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent Book 2020 is *Saying Yes to Life*, by Ruth Valerio (Intervarsity Press, 2019). This can be for individuals or groups. The days of Creation from the book of Genesis provide structure to reflect on Christian living in response to climate change.

Available from SPCK: <https://spckpublishing.co.uk/saying-yes-to-life>, priced £9.99 (or £7.99 for the eBook)

