



JSP Groups – Week 1
People: Out on the Streets

Prayer:

Lord Jesus Christ,
you took the lowliest place,
to establish your glorious reign in our broken world. Restore and reshape your church,
so that we can be servants of your Kingdom,
and you can continue your work in the world today. Amen

This is an attempt to summarise the content of the discussion in the JSP Groups on Thursday. If I have missed anything, or if you have thought of anything as a result of the meeting, please let me know. Canon Andy.

We reflected on our Gospel Passage of Mark 3: 1-12

The healing of the man on the Sabbath helped us to reflect:

- Jesus gives us the opportunity to listen to him and turn to God.
- That we hear different things each time we dwell in this Scripture.
 - It provokes us to reflect on what we are about.
 - Is it about me or about God.
- That the man with a disability seems stripped of agency – no one asks him how he feels or what he wants.

In the move to the sea-shore, people followed Jesus because:

- They had a hope and a thirst for freedom.
- They might get something out of it (mixed motives).
- They were an occupied people with a hope and a thirst for freedom.
- John the Baptist and Jesus had stirred the people to seek something fresh.

We then thought about the ways in which the Cathedral connects with the communities it is part of or which it is set in.

Please see the attached photo of the draft map. We will have a chance to look at this together on Thursday.

During the Coming Week, Please Pray:

- for the other people in our JSP Groups
- for our Cathedral Community as it begins its JSP journey, for togetherness and a spirit of adventure
- for the ways in which we reach out to the various communities we connect to, and for those places where we wish to do more.