



Key Truth/Principle: God has made a way for us to be 'right' with Him through Jesus' sacrifice on the cross taking all our sin and shame upon himself. We are given a 'Robe of Righteousness' because of Jesus.

Key Verse(s): Isaiah 61:10

Suggested format: Social time/ice-breaker, Word, worship with communion and prayer

Key Point(s)

- 1. The robe of righteousness is necessary for us to enter into Heaven.
- 2. This robe is a God given robe.
- 3. A beautiful robe.
- 4. A robe that produces 'fruit'.
- 5. This is a praise inspiring robe!

TOP TIPS **

Remember people are indwelt with the spirit – expect them to have something to bring – most just need permission and clarity, and yearn for depth.

- **WELCOME:** Have fun, involve everyone, keep it moving
- **WORSHIP:** Deliberately LEAD people into stepping out – most people appreciate specific guidance and feel released to know how to participate (e.g. let's read a Psalm together and use the words to help us worship, let's listen to this song, let's sing now, let's have a time of prophecy and hearing from God, if you feel you want to start a song please do). Encourage gifts!
- **PRAYER:** Weave into all you do, respond to things as they come up and help people by being specific (e.g. let's all go round and pray shorts prayers thanking God for a particular characteristic
- **WORD:** Some folks would not have been there on Sunday – don't; worry too much about recapping, just dive into questions. Splitting people into pairs/small groups with specific question and a time frame usually brings out the best discussion and involvement of everyone.

KEY QUESTIONS

1. The robe of righteousness is a 'God given' robe. There is nothing we can do to earn our righteousness or impress God. In what areas of our lives might we be tempted to try and 'impress' God or feel that we need to 'repay' Him in some way?

2. Our robe of righteousness declares our status before God, the fruit of righteousness is shown in our actions and reactions to everyday life situations.

Share some scriptures together of how we are to clothe ourselves and live for God to produce 'fruit'.

3. As Andrew Wilson says 'In a glorious exchange of wardrobes, Jesus' sacrifice has made his robes crimson. But it has made ours white.'

Spend some time in praise, worship and thanksgiving for what Jesus has done for us!