Melchizedek: Mystery Man of the Bible

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Remember: you do not have to do the entire study (you may not have time) – you can choose what questions you want to discuss.

Read Genesis 12:1-3

- 1. What does God ask Abram to do? What does he promise him in return?
- 2. What does this tell us about God's ultimate plan for the people of the world?

Read Genesis 14:18-20

- 3. Who is Melchizedek and where is he from? Why is this significant?
- 4. What name does Melchizedek use for God? Why? What is the difference?

Read Hebrews 7:11-17

- 5. What was the purpose of the priesthood?
- 6. How did Jesus fulfil the role of priest? What was it about what he did that makes him the high priest for everyone?
- 7. What do you understand of God's purpose for the world?
- 8. What happens when God's people become insular and inward-looking? How can we make sure we do not end up doing this?
- 9. What do you know of what God is doing in the wider world today? Where is he moving? What is happening?
- 10. What is God's plan for you in this purpose? What role is he calling you to in his world today?

Prayer points:

- Pray for the plight of refugees, the homeless, and the displaced around the world.
- Pray for the two families from Afghanistan that have come to be with us.
- Pray for those affected by violence and conflict around the globe, particularly Sudan.