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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 Luke Isaiah 58:13-14

- 1. How do you experience the Sabbath as a delight?
- 2. Why is the Sabbath set aside for delight? Why it is important?
- 3. How did God show his delight in creation? How does he continue to do so?
- 4. What stops us from experiencing Sabbath delight? How can we stop this from happening?
- 5. How do you focus on the joy and beauty in God's creation and in your life?
- 6. In your experience is the Sabbath about restriction or delight? Why?
- 7. What was God's intention with the Sabbath? Why as delight an important part of this?
- 8. How does 'the weight of the world' stop you from experiencing delight? How do we avoid this? How is balance achieved for you?
- 9. What is a discipline of Sabbath joy? Why do we need to discipline ourselves to observe the Sabbath in this way?
- 10. What Sabbath practices help you see the joy in your life and delight in God and his creation?

Prayer points:

- Pray for a greater experience of Sabbath delight.
- Pray for the ill and vulnerable in our communities.
- Pray for those affected by violence and conflict around the globe.