

Extravagant Sowing session 1 notes

Opening question

How good or bad are you at gardening or looking after houseplants?

Worship

Read Psalm 33, or listen to a suitable song or hymn.

Pray our diocesan centenary prayer:

**Heavenly Father,
in our Centenary year
we rededicate ourselves and our Diocese to you.
Send the Holy Spirit to give us
confidence in our witness,
generosity in our service,
and love for our neighbours,
that your Church may be renewed
and many come home to you,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ.**

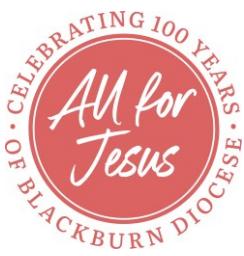
Amen.

Teaching

Watch session 1 of the Extravagant Sowing course

Questions for discussion/ reflection

- Who sowed the seed in your life to help you find faith in Jesus?
- Was invitation part of that story?
- Have you ever had a go at inviting others to church? If so, how did it go?
- What kinds of things might stop you from inviting others?
- How might we make it easier to do so?



Application

Look at the resources on pages 6,7 and 26 in the [mission weekend booklet](#). Spend some time thinking about how you can use those resources ahead of the mission weekends in September.

Closing reflection

Read Acts 1:8, and ask for the Spirit's power to help you be more confident in sharing your faith with others.

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