

WHY SHOULD I CARE?

DISCUSSION GUIDE

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WATCH

Watch *Why Should I Care?* with your small group. Allow participants opportunity to share their thoughts on images or points that particularly stood out, things that intrigued or raised questions for them.



READ

Read Matthew 20:16, 25-28 and Luke 6:27-31 out loud with your group. Allow time to consider the texts and reflect on the case presented in the film.



DISCUSS

1. Darwinian evolutionary theory is based on natural selection or “Survival of the fittest” that will leave the most copies of itself in successive generations.” Herbert Spencer, took Darwin’s idea and coined the phrase “survival of the fittest”. How might this ideology impact on human behaviour, ethics or morality? Does “might make right”? What other ways are there of measuring success?

2. As the progenitor of one in every 200 people on the planet, Genghis Khan was extremely successful in biological, scientific terms, but how does he measure up in terms of morality? Where in biology or science can you find a viable system of morality? Is there a morality gene, an innate human tendency towards goodness, or is the opposite true?

3. Dr Sam Harris suggests we should forget we heard the word morality, and just figure out how to be as happy or as miserable as possible. How do you respond to this idea? Do you see (or not see) a direct link between rejecting God and the devaluation of human life? Give evidence for your position.

4. Who gets to choose what is moral and what is not? The individual? The group? An entire nation? The United Nations? What about deceit, murder, paedophilia or “basic human rights”? How big does a group need to be before it can decide if something is moral or not? Are some things just fundamentally wrong? How do you know? Who says so?



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