

# STUDY GUIDE

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for

## Singing the Lord's Song in a Strange Land

### **SESSION 1** - Chapters 1 & 2

1. Have you, or anyone you know, experienced a 'break-in' (pp.8-11) of God's presence? Describe it.
2. With reference to pp.22-23, is your church growing in any of the four dimensions? If not why not?

### **SESSION 2** - Chapter 3

1. In what ways do you consider us to be living in a modern Babylon?
2. What signs of hope do you see today?

### **SESSION 3** - Chapters 4 & 5

1. Assess the strengths and weaknesses of 'inherited church' and 'emerging church'. What experience do you have of these?
2. Is worship feeding and inspiring your existing congregation? If not why not?

### **SESSION 4** - Chapter 6

1. With reference to pp.75-79, what would the writer of Ephesians be commending in your church?
2. What in your church would the writer be concerned about (pp.79-87)? What are you doing about it?

### **SESSION 5 - Chapter 7**

1. 'The Church in Britain is living in a sort of Babylonian exile.' Comment
2. What should your church be relinquishing (p.96)? What should your church be seeking to receive?

### **SESSION 6 - Chapter 8**

1. What do you agree/disagree with in chapter 8?
2. What will the future Methodist Church look like?

### **SESSION 7 - Chapter 9**

1. Wesley says 'Know your disease! Know your cure!  
What should repentance mean for the Methodist Church as an organisation?
2. What does repentance mean for your church?  
For you personally?

Read the Preface first and maybe the Appendix. This will give you some idea of what the book is about. Although seven sessions are indicated you may wish to collate sessions. I suggest members read the chapters indicated before you meet in your group to discuss.

The questions are for guidance only. It is important to deal with the issues and comments raised by your group and to talk and prayer about them.

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