

**ChristChurch Life group discussion outline - 04/02/07**  
**“Jesus – Full of Grace & Truth”**  
**Joel Edwards**

**John 1: 10-16 & John 8:1-11**

1. Spend a few moments discussing the description of Jesus in John 1. What does John tell us about him? What is Jesus like? How are some of these characteristics displayed when he meets the woman caught in adultery in John 8?
2. Jesus was “full of grace & truth”? What are the dangers that Joel mentioned of being too focused on truth, or too focused on grace?
3. How can we achieve a balance of being full of grace & full of truth? What does this look like in our workplaces, homes, universities, families, and even with other people in our life groups, or in ChristChurch? Do you think a focus on grace is more important than a focus on truth?
4. What strikes you about the way Jesus responds to the woman in John 8 – what can we learn from His example? When we’re asked controversial questions by those who aren’t Christians, what do you think is the best way to respond? (An example of controversial questions from Sunday, would be questions about homosexuality, homosexuality & adoption, our response to other religions, in particular Islam). Perhaps spend some time talking about the other sorts of questions you get asked by non-Christians, and ways to respond with grace & truth.
5. How is the church often affected by the culture in which we live? What do you think is the most important message the church should communicate to the culture around us? How do we do this?
6. We’re seeing things happening in London at the moment, that we wouldn’t have believed a few years ago – increased growth, new churches starting up, increased break-out of signs & wonders. What are you praying to see happen in London, the church & the UK in the next 10 years?
7. What else struck you from Joel’s talk on Sunday?