



## Dreaming and Planning for the Future

### What might God be calling us to do?

If you have used some of the previous activities within a group, you may find it helpful to offer this activity as the final session, to help people prayerfully consider their next steps – what might God be calling each of us to do?

#### Activity

Begin by sharing the Bible together, perhaps using the passage Mark 6: 30 – 44: Jesus feeds the five thousand.

Invite the group to recap some of the ideas that have been discussed in previous sessions, being ready to offer some to encourage others to contribute. Share a time of quietness together, encouraging people to reflect on ideas that they may have. It may be helpful to play some music quietly during this time.

Encourage everyone to write any ideas, Bible verses or other suggestions and put them in a box, explaining that you'll then share the contents of the box with everyone.

Share the contents of the box, valuing every contribution.

Explore with the group what your next steps might be – what might God be leading us to do?

You might want to discuss together:

- Any ideas you already have about ways you can engage with and support others
- Other people and groups you could talk with, to explore together ways of engaging with the community
- Any initial research you might want to undertake.

If you have an activity in mind, the resource Planning and Developing projects could be helpful, available on Mothers' Union's website here: [www.mothersunion.org/content/outreach-guidelines](http://www.mothersunion.org/content/outreach-guidelines)



Agree an action plan, including when you will meet again to progress your plans.

Close the session with prayer:

*Jesus Christ, light of the world, inspire us with your vision for the part of your world that you have called us to serve.*

*As we fix our gaze on Christ, may we shine ever more brightly with the outworking of his love in the plans he inspires us to follow.  
Amen*



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## Handouts and resources

Bring any resources the group have produced in previous sessions and display them (eg A5 cards which share activities members are currently engaged in, any community maps drawn, etc).

Pieces of paper or card for people to write their dreams on.

A box to put these dreams in.

'Blu tac'/pins.