



## SDG Discussion Guide

John 1 and Matthew 1:20-23

December 27, 2020

### To begin:

What is one of the most meaningful presents you received this Christmas?

### Before you proceed:

Pray and ask God to enlighten you to show you where he has been at work and present in your past week through events, places, and people. Ask Him to enliven and guide your group in your reading and discussion.

Next, read aloud and slowly John 1 and Matthew 1:20-23.

1. Why does this Gospel begin “In the beginning” rather than at “Jesus’ birth”?
2. What facts about “the Word” can you find in verses 1-5? Verses 10-18?
3. Who or what fails to comprehend the light (vv 5, 10-11)? Why?
4. How would someone “full of grace and truth” treat others?
5. From the John 1 passage, how can a person come to know God?
6. What has “God with us” meant to you this season?
7. Spend some time in prayer as it flows from your discussion and the Spirit’s leading.

\*The discussion questions were adapted from *The Serendipity Bible for Groups* (Zondervan, 1998).