

# HERE I AM

## JOINING GOD'S ADVENTUROUS CALL TO LOVE THE WORLD

### USING *HERE I AM*

*Here I Am* is designed to be used individually and as a group. We have created companion videos in which Andy Hawthorne unpacks the theme of each chapter, along with inspiring stories of people who have seen their lives transformed by the good news of the gospel. The videos can be used in your personal devotions or as an introduction if you're using this book as a group study.

The videos are available to stream from [www.HereIAmMovement.com](http://www.HereIAmMovement.com). When using the book in a group, we suggest encouraging people to read the chapter before arriving. In order to make leading a group through *Here I Am* an easy task, we suggest using the following structure:

- Welcome and icebreaker. If your group all know each other well, this is the easy part. However, if you have new people or a new group, then spend a little time encouraging participants to introduce themselves. A welcoming refreshment and some quiet worship music played in the background can help to make people feel comfortable.
- Play the video. Play the video from that week's chapter to the group, either streaming from the app or website to your set-top box or smart TV, or if that isn't possible playing through a laptop or something similar.
- Discussion questions. Lead the group in a discussion using the "Group Discussion Questions" provided at the end of each chapter as a guide. Encourage people to contribute, watching out for those who may want to share something but are nervous or shy, and not allowing the more confident participants to dominate the discussion.
- Prayer and refreshments. Give time at the end for prayer if that is something your group is comfortable with. There may be those who have been moved or inspired to act on something following the discussion and are seeking support; there may be some who feel stirred to seek God and His will for them in their local neighbourhood. Finish with refreshments and a time of fellowship.

### INTRODUCTION: GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

*Here I Am* is designed to be enjoyed alone or in a small discussion group setting. Each chapter includes questions to get thoughts and conversations started.

- Discuss with your group what comes to mind when you read that you need to be a "See, I am doing a new thing" sort of person. What does this mean to you?
- Does anything occur to you when you read that you need to be a "Do you not perceive it?" kind of believer? What does this mean to you?
- What steps could you take to become more of a "Wild animals honour me" person? What does this mean to you?
- What would make you a "Streams in the wasteland" or "Rivers in the desert" sort of Christian? What would make your church that sort of church?
- If you add all four of those elements together, do you start getting a sense of what your own calling might entail?
- As you read the passage from Isaiah 6, what stands out to you?
- Describe an encounter you've had with God that comes closest to Isaiah's encounter with God in Isaiah 6.

Visit [www.HereIAmMovement.com](http://www.HereIAmMovement.com) to watch the session videos and to get your copy of *Here I Am*, which includes group discussion questions at the end of every chapter.