

Rutherford House Small Group Resource Review form

Resource name: So Many Questions
Reviewers name: Jonathan Keefe
Length of course: Variable, up to 13 sessions
Year produced: 2008 by Matthias Media
Format: (DVD, workbook) DVD + Workbook (with answers in the back)

General Theme: (Pick one of Evangelistic; Biblical; Topical)

Topical

Review: (Please include what type of group you think this is best suited for, how your group responded to it, how long each session lasts, whether you found it easy or tough going and why, what you think your group learned about themselves and about God, if any follow-up was required).

This is an excellent resource from Matthias Media, suitable for any Christian who has been asked – or even asked themselves – a difficult question regarding their faith. It is apologetic in nature, encouraging Christians to give an answer for the hope they have – an answer to many different difficult questions such as, ‘Did Jesus really come back from the dead?, Hasn’t science disproved Christianity?, isn’t the bible anti-gay?’. I have been asked all these questions at one point or another. There are 13 questions in total, and each could easily make a study in their own right as the workbook asks initial starter questions, allows time for a short DVD clip speaking to the particular question, and time after the DVD to discuss and formulate how you would answer this question. Immensely practical in nature it encourages Christians to be more thoughtful about their faith and categorises difficult questions in helpful ways (‘knowing, meaning, living’). Although thoroughly biblical this is not bible study material, as the questions are (intentionally) open ended and there are not biblical references cited for each question being addressed. (however it could very easily be used as a springboard and become bible study material if it were steered that way). The answers provided at the back of the workbook are a mixed blessing – wonderfully helpful if studying this on one’s own, with references for further reading, but in a group study participants often looked up the answers before coming and this tended to stifle conversation a little.