

## FRIDAY NIGHT INTRO (5-10 mins)

After worship, start by welcoming everyone.

### THE AIM OF THE WEEKEND:

The aim of this weekend is that all that happens will help us live in such a way that we shine more brightly for Jesus as we go about our lives. Read Philippians 2:15-16 – **so that we might become blameless and pure, children of God without fault in a crooked and depraved generation in which we shine like stars in the universe as we hold out the word of life.**

**Who?** Us – children of God

**Where?** In a crooked and depraved generation. We may not use those words – but Paul is saying what is true today – that Christians are in the minority and much of this world is living in rebellion to its Maker.

**How?** We shine like stars holding out the word of life.

Interestingly, where it says as we “hold out” the word of life, it could also be translated “hold on to”. It really means a combination of the two. Holding on to the word of life AND holding out the word of life. Those two go hand in hand in life.

**Summary** – Our aim is that we are like magic stars [produce bags of Magic Star chocolates and throw them to everyone]

### THE AREAS OF FOCUS:

What are the areas where we are going to focus on in terms of how we shine like stars?

Not Magic Stars, but Mars Bar is the answer.

You may remember that the Mars Bar tag line used to be “a Mars a day helps you work rest and play”. Hand out some mini Mars Bars to everyone.

In our three main sessions, we will be thinking more about our Work, our Rest and our Play - particularly how God, by his Spirit, can help us to go about these things in a way that will cause us to shine like stars so that the world might see Jesus through us.

[The sessions on WORK and REST are designed for two one hour sessions on the Saturday morning, with approx 10-15 mins of worship, 35-40 mins of talk/discussion and 10 mins of prayer/ministry. The session on PLAY is designed for a 90 minute session on the Saturday afternoon/early evening, with more discussion and less worship. Sunday morning could then be a time of extended worship, a short encouraging/affirming talk of the pastorate's choosing, a breaking of bread together, and a time of prayer]