

# LESSON 4:

## IGNITES A RESPONSE



### AIM:

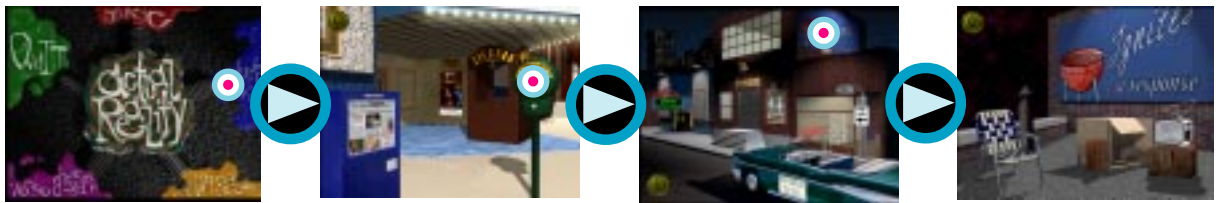
To show that everyone must and does respond to Jesus. Jesus provoked a response - you couldn't ignore Him. Today, some choose for and some against, but everyone must choose.

### YOU WILL NEED:

- Bibles
- Actual Reality CD
- Computer
- LCD Projector (depending on size of the group)
- Flipchart or OHP
- Paper and pen for each group member
- Basket

### CD:

Follow these screen clicks to get to the billboard



*[Sarah Mason immediately addresses the question 'Does the message of Christ polarise people?']*

### DISCUSS:

Sarah Mason mentions that Jesus invokes a 'pathos' (emotional) response. In what ways do we see these responses? *[You may like to write suggestions on a flipchart/OHP]*  
Possible answers, art, literature, arguments, name used as a swear word.

In what ways has Jesus affected history and/or society?  
*[Use flipchart/OHP as above.]*

### ACTIVITY:

Give each group member a piece of paper and pen. Get them to write down a famous person or character. Fold the piece of paper and put it in the basket. Put the group into two teams.

#### ROUND ONE

One team takes it in turns to describe and guess as many characters from the basket as possible in 60 seconds, without saying their names,

#### DON'T PUT THE NAMES BACK IN THE BASKET

#### ROUND TWO

The team have to mime/act out each of those characters again, in 60 seconds.

#### ROUND THREE

This time they can only say one word to describe the person.

Let each team play the three rounds.

The team that guesses the largest number for all three rounds wins.

**BIBLE:**

READ 1 Corinthians 1:23

**CD:**

Click the cardboard box 'Stumbling box'  
Sarah Mason addresses the issue of the Gospel being a stumbling block.

**BIBLE:**

READ 1 Corinthians 1:24

**CD:**

Click the wooden crate - 'Wisdom'  
Sarah Mason addresses the issue of the Gospel being wisdom.

[Click on the billboard, and then on the "YES" vote]

Click on each character in turn, to hear their story. The VG shows the passage in the Bible

Do the same for the "NO" vote.

**DISCUSS:**

Jesus' teaching and actions required a response, if you were there, which character would you have been most like? Do we still need to respond to Jesus today?

**ACTIVITY:**

Ask everyone to shut their eyes and encourage people to think through today's session for a minute. You may feel it is appropriate to ask the Holy Spirit to show each one if they need to respond to anything they have heard today.

Close with a prayer asking for strength to respond and encouragement