**Potential discussion questions**

* Who comes to mind when you think of someone that rejoices with others when others rejoice or mourns with others mourn? Who are they? What is it about them that stands out?
* What happens when we treat our enemies well?
* How can we celebrate our differences and live together peacefully?
* How can we have difficult conversations and ‘disagree well’ with resorting to conflict and attack?
* How are we building a culture of peace in our school and our local community?
* Why do you think someone feels they need to carry a knife?
* Can carrying a knife harm you? In what way?
* Can carrying a knife hurt others? In what way?
* Why do we sometimes choose to hurt each other with our hands and our words?
* How can we find ways to live with our differences that don’t involve hurting each other?
* If you knew someone used to be in a gang or were a bully or excluded from school and they wanted to come to church / youth club do you think they should be welcomed?
* How easy / hard is it to forgive someone who has hurt us?
* What can we do to make our group more welcoming to others?
* Bible talks about an eye for an eye - do you think this means that God is pleased when we are violent?
* What do you think it means for us when Jesus encouraged people to turn the other cheek?
* When we get in a horrible situation what can we do?
* What if all the weapons that hurt were turned into things that can help us? What, then, do you think the world would be like?
* God loves everyone and wants us to love Him, ourselves, and our neighbours as He loves us. How can we do this?