'I Am' the Way

The group will each need pen/pencil & paper, plus a Bible. Also a marker pen and flipchart sheet for the group, and a map of the London Area each.

- Give out the maps, get each person to put an "X" where they think Sunbury Court is. Don't say yet who is right/wrong.
- How did you get to Sunbury Court? Let them talk about it for a bit. Do they know which roads they came on? Which towns they came through?
- What was the name of the coach driver? How many had ever met him/her before? How did they know they could trust them given that most of them didn't know where they were going, or who was taking them?
- Make a list together on the flip-chart of things that you need for a journey. (Might say things like map, fare, petrol, driver, train ticket, etc).
- Read John 14: 1 11. Jesus says that He is the Way. The Way to where?
- Get two or three members of the group to try to summarise the passage in no more than 30 words.
- What is 'The Way' like? Verse 9 should help you!
- In verses 1 to 4, what does Jesus promise us if we travel His Way?
- If we are going to go Jesus' way, what does that mean our lives must be like?
- Look back to your list about the journey. Now make a list of things you have to give up if you are going on a journey (for instance, if you are going on holiday abroad, things you can't take).
- Are any of the things you have to give up important to you? If so, why do you give them up to go on the journey?
- Make a list of things we might have to give up if we want to go The Way Jesus wants us to go.
- Is it worth giving them up?
- It might be appropriate to have a time of prayer about the things people in the group find hard to give up in order to follow Jesus, but it is important to ensure confidentiality and trust in the group first. Or just pray more generally for each other before you finish.