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Vision: Loving God, Loving Each Other, Loving Lost People

ABC NEWS



ABC ONLINE – TWICE A WEEK – EVERY WEEK

Suffering, perseverance, and character

Over the next few weeks, before I have a break from speaking, I want to build a picture of God from Psalm 18. The reason for this, is because I believe we will need this understanding for what God is going to call us into, as a Church, in the future. It is 'understanding,' as in, a 'deep roots' kind, that we need. My hope is that these truths will become living truths in us. Many of you will know that most of this psalm is also in 2 Samuel 22. Therefore, if it is in the bible twice, then it must be important! Simon

Our online services

Our Sunday morning service will go "live" at 6pm on a Saturday evening. However, if possible, we would like you to join us on Sunday in prayer at around 10.20am before watching the service at 10.30am as normal. Please pray for your church family and for all the frontline workers who are keeping us going in these difficult times. Please pray too for our prime minister and the cabinet who have the unenviable task gradually easing lockdown. It is becoming clear that, as the lockdown continues, people will become more agitated, so, as we said last week, we need to keep our eyes firmly fixed on Jesus.

You Click here to go directly to the service page.

The title of our midweek service this week is "Taming the tongue" based on James 3:1-9. If you are someone who speaks first and thinks afterwards this is a must. We have all said things that we instantly regretted and in some cases this has far reaching effects.

If you missed any of earlier services these can be viewed online services by going to http://www.aldwickbaptist.co.uk/latest-news/online-sermons

SERMON' NOTES – Over the weekend, we will be emailing the notes from Simon's talk today together with the news sheet. If you don't have an email address, then we will be hand delivering both the news sheet and the notes to you early next week.

PLEASE JOIN SIMON FOR PRAYER - On Monday, Simon intends to pray for the church at 9.30am. He would like us all to set this time apart to join him in prayer before he sets out on his rounds.

JUST TO CLARIFY – Although the latest advice from the government implied that churches can now open 4th July, we will not be doing so. Although we now have the government's guidelines on opening churches, we feel that the conditions placed on opening cannot be safely implemented at ABC and so, for the time being, we will remain closed. We believe most other churches will do the same.

Consequently, our message remains - "**NOT YET ABC**". We have already emailed a letter outlining our reasons for this decision but, for those without email access, we will be sending you a copy along with the news sheet and Simon's notes.

FRIDAY NIGHT IS QUIZ NIGHT – Every Friday at 7.15pm, Jon Robinson (my son) is organising a quiz through his church website and on Facebook. It lasts around 20 minutes and is really good fun. If you want to take part then join via www.stjohnssouthbourne.com or through the We Love Southbourne Facebook page (facebook.com/welovesouthbourne). Derek

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS – Even in isolation, don't let us miss your birthday! So, if you know of any pending birthdays, just let me know. This week no one seems to have birthday …BUT just is case you have and no one told me



Our resident poet

Arthur's poem reminds us that, "There is no place like home" and for the Christian that means our eternal home with the Lord.

"HOME"

It seems so long ago,
I started on life's road.
Sometimes I travelled light,
Sometimes with a heavy load.
When I think of all the loves ones
who meant the world to me
And it seems they were always
smiling in my memory
Sometimes the road lead me
to the valleys of despair
But at other times there was joy and love
well beyond compare.
But no matter where I roam,
I know one day this road will lead me home.
This world is not my real home,
I am only passing through.
My real home is with my Lord,
who died for me and you;
In that place away from space and time
where love will rule forever
And God's light will always shine.

Arthur Magee

HEART NEWSPAPER COORDINATORS – I am pleased to tell you that we now have two HEART NEWSPAPER coordinators: Lucienne Edwards and Brenda Nanson. If you want a copy of this paper then just give one of them a ring.

…and finally

URGENT PRAYER REQUESTS - If you have, or know of, an urgent need for prayer in the coming week then please contact Simon as first responder. He will then activate the prayer chain as appropriate.

URGENT PRAYER REQUEST - Simon inform us that unfortunately Bridget Long's cancer has returned and she needs more treatment. Please pray for swift action and healing.

URGENT PRAYER REQUEST - Michelle, Rosanne's daughter, is continuing to struggle following her recent breakdown. She has now returned to hospital for the next four weeks for further diagnosis and treatment. Please pray for a positive outcome and a correct ongoing treatment plan. Please also pray for Rosanne who is finding the current situation heart breaking.

URGENT PRAYER REQUEST - Sarah (Milligan) greyhound, Candle, has been killed in a tragic accident, As you can imagine both Sarah and Barry are devastated as Candle was very much part of their family. She said in her text message "The light has gone out for me. She was with me 24/7 and I am struggling to come to terms with this. Barry has also been very upset.

SOME GOOD NEWS - Ginny, Kay's daughter, spinal operation went well and she is now back home recovering. Please thank the Lord for this and pray that her recovery goes well.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR – Maureen Jones, Marion Bryant, Chris Grant, Mary Edwards, Kate Moss, Joy Smith, Pam Brown, Stella Filby, Joan Brett, Joy Puffett, Pat and Mick Parker, Val Collett, Pam Ryan, Tony Brock, George Woods, and for any others in our fellowship who are unwell at this time.

WALBERTON OPEN AIR SERVICE – David Gwenlan has asked me to remind you that this service will be taking place this Sunday at 4.30p.m. on Walberton Green. Social distancing rules will apply, so please be careful if you go and stay safe.

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