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

ABC NEWS



Sunday 25th September 2022

Series: Jesus at the heart of everything we do

Today: To Him – Our Hope

Text: Romans 15:13

Simon Downing

TODAY'S SERVICE – This weekend, we will be concluding our series "Jesus at the heart of everything we do". The title of today's talk is 'To Him – the Hope" based on Romans 15:13. "*May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit*."

Now, unusually, Simon will be looking at this one verse only, however, there is more in this verse than you might think. Simon will also be tying our teaching back into our original overarching verse at the end – Romans 11v36. What I am going to do, is look at our verse in little sections today as well.

Don't miss this message!

Of course, we do hope you can join us for the service in the church but if you can't actually join us, you will be able to access this service from 10.30am by going to: http://www.aldwickbaptist.co.uk/category/current-sermons

THE WELL OF HOPE – in 2004 I founded the Well project. Since its conception we have able to build 2 deep water wells and a clinic in the village of Sabi, in the Gambia West Africa also a clinic. Also, along the way, we have been able to help many, many unfortunate people by supplying gift vouchers and buying of trikes for disabled people. We have also made regular donations to our local lifeboat, hospital, Guide Dogs, Air ambulance and a local hospice and even supplied wheelchairs and other useful items. This has been achieved by your generosity by putting your 5 pence and pennies in the wooden well which sits on the side of control desk in ABC. This year will be concentrating in our local area because of the difficulties that this Christmas and winter will bring. Some families will need help with food, lighting heating, et cetera. So I appeal to you, please, please, put what you can into the Well, so that we can as a church, help our own people. Whatever you can give, God will reward you. All I can do is say is "thank you" on their behalf. Ian

SASRA, TEA AND CAKE. - 4.15pm Sunday Oct 2nd - David Malam from SASRA will be travelling to visit us to talk about SASRA's chaplaincy work in the armed forces. This should be particularly interesting now after the amazing Christian witness from the Queen's funeral. I shall be looking forward to hearing what he has to say, as well as to the light refreshments at 4.15pm! I hope that as many as possible will support this visit to ABC. Barbara.

THANK YOU – I would like to thank you all my brothers and sisters in ABC who visited or sent me cards, phone calls and prayers during my recent illness. God's blessing on each and everyone of you. Thank you all. Ian

ABC IN THE NEWS – If you would like to read the Autumn edition of "Baptists Together" magazine then use this link. Amongst other interesting articles, it contains an article about ABC. It is well worth a look.

FIRE SERVICE SAFE AND WELL VISIT – With Ben Applin's new role, he goes out to the elderly and vulnerable in the community and conducts a safe and well visit with the prevention side of the fire service. This consists of replacing fire alarms for free and looking at safety within people's homes alongside them. He also looks at reducing the risk of falls which for many of out over 65's may be a good thing to pass on! It's a great free service, Ben was wondering, before the winter months, if now was a good time to offer this free service. them?

The website is here, you can ask for a visit on behalf of someone else even: Safe and Well Visit - West Sussex County Council or you can give Jean and Donna in our office a call using this number 0345 8729 719 to book in. Derek.

TABLE TENNIS - Under the banner of LOVE ALDWICK we are planning a table tennis group to start weekly from Tuesday 25th October at 2pm-4pm all ages and abilities welcome.
However we need to know who would be very interested in coming, a£2.00 subscription is chargeable to cover equipment and light refreshments.
Please contact A.S.A.P. either,Clive Bennet secretary@aldwickbaptist.co.uk. Tel 01243930765 or John Bell. Jozel.bell@btinternet.com. Tel 01243967385

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS – We have lots of birthdays to celebrate this week. So here we go! On Tuesday (26th), Hannah Mustchin's birthday; on Wednesday (27th) it's Wendy Donaldson, on Thursday (28th), it's its Anna Applin and Eileen McGee's turn, on Friday (29th) it's Sandra Field's birthday and on Saturday (30th), it's John Cowley's birthday. So do remember to wish them all a **BIG HAPPY BIRTHDAY.** If you want to be included in our birthday list, and receive a celebratory slot in the news sheet, please contact Lynne Allard (265360). If you want details of the BMS birthday scheme, then please contact Brenda.

CHRIS GRANT – Please thank God that Chris is now back at home, having been given the all-clear following her recent operation.

THANK YOU AGAIN - Lara, Sheila Sargent's granddaughter, wants to say a big thank you for your ongoing prayer support as she continues with her treatment. Both Lara and Sheila ask you to keep on praying as Lara's need is great.

PREACHING TEAM – I am preaching at Southbourne Free Church this Sunday (24th) as they celebrate Harvest. Please pray for their new minister, Paul Cox and for his ministry there. Pray too that my words truly echo God's will for this small church and that they understand that everyone needs to be involved in sharing God's words. Effective ministry really is a team effort.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR – Pam Ryan who is currently at Homebeach Care Home and would welcome people taking her out for a breath of air in a wheel chair. Please pray too for Janet Cartwright, as she continues with her recovery. Pray too for others in the congregation who need prayer and for Diane, Simon's mum, who has had a very bad fall.

THIS WEEK'S POEM

This week Arthur reminds us that there is much more to life than many people think. When you come to the end of life on earth, there is so much more to come, if only you believe. Tragically many people think don't even think about it, until it is too late. Currently, they really are "lost" – but there is still time to do something about!

Lost

They say we are like ships that pass in the night,
Here from moment and then out of sight.
"We're just passing through," you hear them cry.
"Live laugh and be merry
for tomorrow we die."

They're just like a speck of sand,
Lost in no man's land.
Lost in time and space
And their world, God has no place

They seem blind to see
That beyond the temporary,
In Christ we have eternity.

They asked me, "How do you know
what you say is true?"
I say, "I know …because once
I was lost like you!"
Amen

Arthur Magee

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