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Sunday 20th November 2022

Series: Tough subjects

“Heaven and Hell”

Mark 9:42-48

Simon Downing

TODAY'S SERVICE - This Sunday Simon will be continuing with his series on tough subjects. In part IV of this series, Simon will be looking at what the Bible teaches us about 'Heaven and Hell'. Although this may not be a comfortable subject for many of us, it is important to listen to what Jesus had to say on the subject as He is the only one who knows the truth. In John 14:6, Jesus says to us today, 'I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.' And as John 8:32 tells us, 'Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.' This should be interesting – so don't miss it.

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>

FESTIVE CHARITY CONCERT - Saturday 3rd December at 7.30pm at South Bersted Church. A wonderful evening of entertainment, with a Christmas message and heart- warming news about 2 local charities, CAP and Bognor Regis Foodbank. The entertainment is provided by the Bognor Regis Concert Band and the Regis Jazz Band. For further details go to <https://www.southbersted.org.uk/festivecharityconcert.htm>

SUPPORTING EMILY - I'm going to be designing and selling calendars for 2023. The money raised from these is going towards my fundraising for volunteering in a Kenyan school in July 2023.

The children there, live in chronic social deprivation and some live on a rubbish dump. My hope is that I'll be able to impact their lives in a positive way, and I'm sure they will impact my life as well!

The calendar pictures will be based on this local area, from photos from my photography A' level. This will enable us to celebrate the wonderful area in which we live, and at the same time give to a good cause. I would be very grateful if you could let me know if you're interested in a calendar, so I have some idea of how many to order.

You have been so generous to me in the past and I hope you'll be able to support me in this. I am so very grateful to all of you!

Love, Emily.

LOVE ALDWICK, LADIES CHRISTMAS CRAFT EVENING - Thursday 8th December, 7.15pm at the church. £3. Places to be booked with Nicky 07943 537785

NEWS FROM THE LIVING WORD – We have now linked up with bookshop.org which sells Christian and secular books. Living Word likes people visiting the shop but if you wish to order online go to <https://uk.bookshop.org/shop/livingwordbooks> and your book will be sent to you and credited to Living Word. If the book you want is not available please contact Living Word for help.

THIS WEEK'S POEM

This week Arthur reminds us that if we have gone astray, we still have a loving heavenly Father, who is waiting, arms open wide for us to come home.

The Prodigal

How I longed to go back home,
to the loved ones that meant the world to me.
I came here a rich man
but now I'm left in poverty.
I thought I knew it all.
But now I've been proved a fool.
How can I go back and lose my pride?
Oh Lord I feel so bad inside
I'm left here to feed the swine
and live a life of crime.
I must go back, even as a slave.
It can't be worse than the hell I've made.
I will sleep in the barn on the hay
and beg them that I can stay.
As I approached the house
I saw my father standing there.
He ran towards me arms open wide.
Oh Lord how I cried.
Father I am so very sorry
I let you down.
Son 'I love you.'
'You were lost
but now you are found.'

Arthur Magee

CHILVERS - Summary of news from Brian and Jackie Chilvers, our BMS link missionaries in Guinebor 2 Hospital in Chad, were encouraged that a lady visitor, probably a Muslim, wanted them to know that the news about the hospital has spread far and wide. However, work there is not easy as Chad is now 2nd from the bottom on the human development index. Strife and killings have resulted from the delay in elections for a proper government, and a better health and education system is needed. The roads have dried up now after the floods but rivers continue to rise and several staff have had their homes flooded and damaged, some with 4 feet of water inside. Malaria, especially in children, is an emotional drain, as is malnutrition. One new staff member is being trained in skills such as malnutrition and vaccination. Barbara.

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FIRST RESPONER - As Simon is currently having to curtail his movement and, as he is still waiting for his scan, I will be acting as first responder for the time being. Please contact me if you have any prayer requests or need of care. Derek.

STAMP NOTICE - The Post Office has extended their deadline for using stamps without the new Barcode. Ordinary stamps will be valid until 31st July 2023 instead of the end of January 2023. After July they will be useless. David Hanchard.

DAPHNE ASHBY - Is now back at home but moving around tentatively on crutches and fell again on Friday morning which shook her up. Please pray that she doesn't trip over, for peace of mind and healing.

DAVID HUNTLEY - David is currently waiting for the results of his scan after damaging his achilles but tells us he is able to move around now and is feeling a bit stronger. Please pray for continued healing and a positive result from his scan.

EMILY BROWN - Emily Brown will be going into hospital on Monday 28th November to have the titanium rod and various screws removed from her ankle. She will then be convalescing at Marriott House until she can move around safely and look after herself. Please pray for peace of mind, pray too that operation goes well and then pray for healing.

KAY TUCKER - Kay is making steady progress and hopes to go home Monday 21st November. She feels much better but will obviously need support. She would like a few visitors but please ring her first (07955950585) to see how she is feeling. Please pray for strength, peace of mind and rest.

MORE PRAYER POINTERS - Please continue to pray for Sandra Field, David Hanchard, John and Janet Cowley, Janet Cartwright and Mavis Eede. Please also pray for Keith Scott, Val Collett and Pam Brown. Pray too for others in the congregation who are in need prayer.

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