

St Peter's Barge

London's Floating Church

Sunday 28th June 2020

Welcome!

Marcus Nodder is leading and preaching

SONG: Let your kingdom come

Most merciful Father, our Creator and Judge,
we acknowledge and confess
that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed.
We have not loved you with all our heart;
and we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
We earnestly repent,
and are truly sorry for all our sins.
For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake forgive us,
and strengthen us to serve and obey you
in lives wholly renewed by your Spirit;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SONG: I stand amazed

READING: Psalm 19

SONG: Who else commands

READING: 1 Kings 19:8-21

TALK

PRAYER

SONG: By faith we see

INTERVIEW: with Robert Frazer

Q&A (on Zoom) 843 9723 4096

NEXT SUNDAY

Date: July 5th 11.00am

Series: Guest service

Title: Where is God in a messed-up world?

Speakers: Roger Carswell; Rico Tice; Stef Reid interview

1 Kings 19:8-21

⁸ And he arose and ate and drank, and went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb, the mount of God. ⁹ There he came to a cave and lodged in it. And behold, the word of the LORD came to him, and he said to him, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" ¹⁰ He said, "I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away."

¹¹ And he said, "Go out and stand on the mount before the LORD." And behold, the LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. ¹² And after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper.

¹³ And when Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. And behold, there came a voice to him and said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" ¹⁴ He said, "I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away."

¹⁵ And the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus. And when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael to be king over Syria. ¹⁶ And Jehu the son of Nimshi you shall anoint to be king over Israel, and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah you shall anoint to be prophet in your place. ¹⁷ And the one who escapes from the sword of Hazael shall Jehu put to death, and the one who escapes from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha put to death. ¹⁸ Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

¹⁹ So he departed from there and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who was ploughing with twelve yoke of oxen in front of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and cast his cloak upon him. ²⁰ And he left the oxen and ran after Elijah and said, "Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." And he said to him, "Go back again, for what have I done to you?" ²¹ And he returned from following him and took the yoke of oxen and sacrificed them and boiled their flesh with the yokes of the oxen and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he arose and went after Elijah and assisted him.

1 Kings 19:8-21

The low whisper

- a tale of two mountains

The Lord works quietly but powerfully through his Word (v8-18)

- quietly through his Word (v8-14)
- powerfully through his Word (v15-18) ¹

The Lord works through his wholehearted, humble servants (v19-21)

- wholehearted dedication
 - o relationships ²
 - o work
 - o money
- humble service
 - o serving others ³
 - o investing in others ⁴

➔ move your tent to God's mountain

➔ keep trusting in God's method

➔ find true joy in God's service

¹ Matthew 16:18; Romans 1:16; Jeremiah 23:29

² Luke 9:61-62; 14:26

³ 2 Kings 3:11; Mark 10:45

⁴ John 3:30; Matthew 11:14