

Sunday, 5th April 2020

Welcome!

Marcus Nodder is leading and preaching

SONG: Your glorious cause

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: There is no other name

READING: Psalm 57

SONG: He will hold me fast

READING: James 5:12-20

TALK

PRAYER

SONG: A Christian's daily prayer

Q&A

FRIDAY -

Good Friday service. 11.00am Speaker: Marcus Nodder James 5:12-20

5 ¹² But above all, my brothers, do not swear, either by heaven or by earth or by any other oath, but let your "yes" be yes and your "no" be no, so that you may not fall under condemnation.

¹³ Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise. 14 Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. 15 And the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed he will forgiven. sins, be ¹⁶ Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working. 17 Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. 18 Then he prayed again, and heaven gave rain, and the earth bore its fruit.

¹⁹ My brothers, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and someone brings him back, ²⁰ let him know that whoever brings back a sinner from his wandering will save his soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

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JAMES James 5:12-20 Believing prayer

- 'Pressure can be a making as well as a breaking experience'

If anyone is suffering, he should pray (v12,13a)

- don't swear 1
 - o foul language
 - o oaths

- do pray 2

If anyone is cheerful, he should praise (v13b) 3

If anyone is sick, he should ask for prayer (v14-18)

- ask the pastors to pray (v14-15)
 - o what we are to do 4

- o what the Lord will do 5
- pray for one another (v16-18) ⁶

If anyone is wandering, he should be brought back (v19-20)

- wandering from the truth
- bring him back
- save his soul

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Anything you want to talk about from what you've heard? How are the pressures of the current crisis affecting you spiritually? How is your praying? Who are you looking out for?

¹ Judges 11:29-40

² Philippians 4:6; 1 Peter 5:7; Psalm 50:15; 57:2

³ Deuteronomy 8:11; Philippians 4:4; Ephesians 5:20; Psalm 145:2

⁴ Luke 7:46; Mark 6:13

⁵ Mark 10:52; 2 Corinthians 12:8-9; John 9:1-3

^{6 1} Kings 18:41-46