

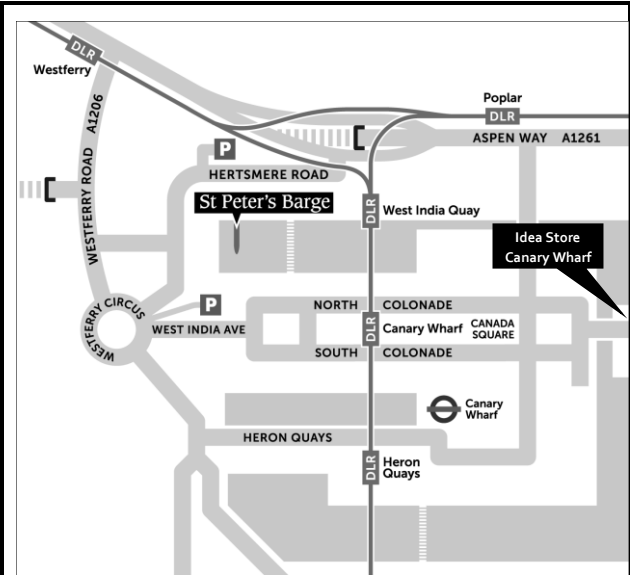
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**ST PETER'S BARGE LUNCHTIME TALKS 1:15-1:50 PM**  
Wed - at St Peter's Barge and Zoom)  
Thurs - at Idea Store, Churchill Place

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# St Peter's Barge

London's Floating Church

*To make disciples of all nations  
who live or work in Docklands*

	<p><b>Thurs 7.30-9pm on the Barge.</b> These days hope often feels hard to come by. Where can we find a hope that won't disappoint us? Sign up on the Response Card or by emailing the Barge office.</p>
<p><b>BREAKFAST PRAYER MEETING AT MORGAN STANLEY</b></p>	<p>Morgan Stanley would like to invite you all to a breakfast prayer meeting. <b>8-9am Tuesday 20 Feb</b> – a member of the Christian Forum will be on the ground floor to greet you. If you are interested in attending, please let <a href="mailto:Violeta.Lee@morganstanley.com">Violeta.Lee@morganstanley.com</a> or <a href="mailto:Christopher.Yeoh@morganstanley.com">Christopher.Yeoh@morganstanley.com</a> know so you can be registered.</p>
<p><b>WHARF CHRISTIANS GROUP ON LINKEDIN</b></p>	<p>Join Canary Wharf Christians on LinkedIn to stay up to date</p> 
<p><b>PARTNERSHIP GROUPS</b></p>	<p>These weekly groups meet for Bible study and prayer before work during term time. They're a great way to get to know a few others well who work in the Wharf. To join these groups, please email <a href="mailto:info@stpetersbarge.org">info@stpetersbarge.org</a></p> <p><b>Men's groups</b> Tues 8.00-8.40am (on the Barge) Fri 7.30-8.30am (on Zoom)</p>
<p><b>GIVING</b></p>	<p>If you would like to give to support the work of the Barge in the Wharf, please pick up a Giving leaflet from the Welcome Table.</p>
<p><b>KEEP IN TOUCH</b></p>	
<p><b>NEXT WEEK</b></p>	<p>Faith in the workplace - Work/life balance Speaker: Marcus Nodder</p>

<sup>6</sup>“A son honours his father, and a servant his master. If then I am a father, where is my honour? And if I am a master, where is my fear? says the LORD of hosts to you, O priests, who despise my name. But you say, ‘How have we despised your name?’ <sup>7</sup>By offering polluted food upon my altar. But you say, ‘How have we polluted you?’ By saying that the LORD's table may be despised. <sup>8</sup>When you offer blind animals in sacrifice, is that not evil? And when you offer those that are lame or sick, is that not evil?

Present that to your governor; will he accept you or show you favour? says the LORD of hosts. <sup>9</sup>And now entreat the favour of God, that he may be gracious to us. With such a gift from your hand, will he show favour to any of you? says the LORD of hosts. <sup>10</sup>Oh that there were one among you who would shut the doors, that you might not kindle fire on my altar in vain! I have no pleasure in you, says the LORD of hosts, and I will not accept an offering from your hand.

<sup>11</sup>For from the rising of the sun to its setting my name will be great among the nations, and in every place incense will be offered to my name, and a pure offering. For my name will be great among the nations, says the LORD of hosts. <sup>12</sup>But you profane it when you say that the Lord's table is polluted, and its fruit, that is, its food may be despised. <sup>13</sup>But you say, ‘What a weariness this is’, and you snort at it, says the LORD of hosts. You bring what has been taken by violence or is lame or sick, and this you bring as your offering! Shall I accept that from your hand? says the LORD. <sup>14</sup>Cursed be the cheat who has a male in his flock, and vows it, and yet sacrifices to the Lord what is blemished. For I am a great King, says the LORD of hosts, and my name will be feared among the nations.

- dissing God

**ACCUSATION** | Offering the LORD damaged sacrifices is dishonouring him (v6-8a)

- despising the LORD (v6a)

- by offering damaged sacrifices (v6b-8a) <sup>1</sup>

**WARNING** | The LORD will not accept such defective worship (v8b-10)

- it is unacceptable (v8b-9)

- it is a waste of time (v10)

**SOLUTION** | We need to see the LORD as the great King he is (v11-14)

- The LORD's name would one day be great all over the world (v11) <sup>2</sup>
- But he is dishonoured by damaged sacrifices (v12-14) <sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Leviticus 22:19-25; John 2:17; 1 Peter 1:19; Hebrews 9:14; 1 Peter 2:5; Hebrews 13:15; Romans 12:1

<sup>2</sup> John 4:23

<sup>3</sup> Luke 7:36-50