

Paul's letter to Rome probably made barely a ripple, humanly speaking, THE COSTOF LIVING when it was first read in the heart of the ancient world two millennia ago, but it has been changing human hearts ever since. With crystal clarity the Apostle Paul unpacks for his readers what the

death and resurrection of Jesus really mean, and how they have significance for every man, woman and child on the planet. In Chapter 12 Paul focuses on three key themes: sacrifice, service and love in action. Generosity, says Paul, is hard-wired into our DNA as Christians it's the gift of a generous God. Over six Sunday mornings as we unpack just twenty-one verses, Paul tells us why and how we should use that gift. In essence, it answers the question: 'What does giving our best look like and what does it cost?'

This series starts on Sunday 24th April at 10:00am.



Being a follower of Jesus effects every part of our lives from workplace to worship, to family and free-time. Turning that knowledge into practical action is what this series is all about. The 'good news' of God reaches into every aspect of our lives so that we

might be part of God's plan to transform society. Every day is an opportunity to serve God through the things we do and the way we do them. This series sets out to help us identify the ways that we are already being fruitful on our frontlines, to reflect on what God has been doing, and to wonder about what areas God might be calling us to grow into during the coming months.

This series starts on Sunday 1st May at 5:00pm.



Come and see was how Jesus invited Andrew and John, His first two followers, to join Him on a journey of discovery. This same invitation was extended, implicitly or explicitly, to many other people during the next two or three years. It was met with different

responses. Some realised that Jesus was the Messiah, God's chosen One, the person they had been seeking. Others were taken by surprise, recognising that He was the answer to situations in which they were trapped. But others had a vested interest in denying Jesus' identity and turned against Him in fear and anger. As we follow the story of John's Gospel over several months, what will our response be to Jesus' invitation to 'come and see'?

This series starts on Sunday 19th June at 10:00am.



TEACHING PROGRAMME FARLY SUMMER 2022

To keep up to date with any changes regarding online and in-person gatherings please read Focus and visit the Belmont website regularly.



So here's what I want you to do, God helping you: take your everyday, ordinary life - your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life - and place it before God as an offering.

> Paul to the Roman church Romans 12:1 - The Message paraphrase



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In the prophecy of Malachi we discover a fascinating dialogue taking place between God and His people - Yahweh and Israel. It's been a tough time for Israel. As they settle back into their land after the ravages of exile they find that life is not as straightforward as

they had expected it to be. As a nation they face several challenges and their own apathy and disillusionment threaten to overwhelm them. Yet, in the midst of all of that, God has two things to say to His people: 'I have loved you', and 'I the LORD do not change'. Join us as we explore how these two truths impact our worship and our understanding of who God is and what He is doing amongst us and through us in our world today.

This series starts on Sunday 19th June at 7:00pm.



The Bible is the Word of God. How should we approach reading it? How can we be equipped to study it for ourselves? How can a text from centuries ago have anything to say today? In these monthly evening (7:00pm) sessions we aim to be better

equipped to understand and apply the Bible. We will dig into the Bible in more detail than may be possible at a Home Group. We'll learn and share together as we explore the riches of God's Word.

8th Mav John's Gospel

an introduction to the book, its themes and structure

12th June Tools to discover Bible treasure

five tools to help in studying a Bible passage

10th July Thinking biblically

responding to life today from an ancient text

If you'd like to find out more about how to join a Home Group please contact the Belmont Office or via the Connect link on the website here.

Links to the **Sunday Morning Service** and all other Belmont activities can be found on the Belmont website at www.belmontexeter.church/

Look out for more details in Focus and on MyChurchSuite to connect with other events going on during the week.

For Young Families please check out this Facebook page. For **Youth** please check out this <u>Instagram page</u>.

If you would like to be connected with a local Belmont Home Group then please contact the Office at office@belmontchapel.org.uk. All these links are available through MyChurchSuite for those with access.

Summer 22	Morning Worship in-person and available online		Refresh and Resource in-person sessions				
Date	10:00am		4:00pm	5:00pm - unless stated otherwise		7:00pm	
24th April AM communion	The Cost of Living A transformed life	Jonny Baker Romans 12:1-2					
1st May	Baptism Sunday All Together Worship	Lizzie Playford Ephesians 1:15-23	Communion Service a quiet and reflective time of remembrance	6M People Modelling Godly character	Galatians 5:13-26 Nick Goldsworthy		
8th May AM communion	The Cost of Living A selfless life	Clive Hughes Romans 12:3-5		6M People Making good work	Colossians 3:22-4:1 Nick Goldsworthy	Dig Deeper John's Gospel - an introduction	n to the book
15th May Membership	The Cost of Living A generous life	Simon Richards Romans 12:6-8		6M People Ministering grace and love	Luke 10:25-37 Alex Yates		
22nd May AM communion	The Cost of Living A sincere life	Paul Cooke Romans 12:9-13		6M People Moulding culture	Matthew 5:13-16 Richard Judd		
29th May	The Cost of Living A balanced life	Nick Goldsworthy Romans 12:14-16		6M People Mouthpiece for truth and justice	2 Samuel 12:1-13 Adrian Bailey		
5th June	Pentecost Sunday All Together Worship	Paul Cooke Acts 2: 1-13, 42-47	Communion Service a quiet and reflective time of remembrance	6M People Messenger of the good news	1 Peter 3:13-16 Nick Goldsworthy		
12th June AM communion	The Cost of Living A fair-minded life	Jonny Baker Romans 12:17-21	Left to their own devices a parent seminar with Kids' Cafe			Prayer & Praise celebrating together in sung v Dig Deeper Tools to discover Bible treasur	
19th June	Come and See In the beginning	Nick Goldsworthy John 1:1-5				Wholehearted God's unfailing love	Malachi 1:1-5 Megan Gaston
26th June AM communion	Come and See The Word and the world	Simon Richards John 1:6-18				Wholehearted Giving worship	Malachi 1:6-14 Nick Goldsworthy
3rd July Dedication Sunday	Come and See The witness	Megan Gaston John 1:19-28		Communion Service @ 6:00pm a quiet and reflective time of reme	mbrance	Wholehearted Faithful worship	Malachi 2:1-16 Andrew Trezise
10th July AM communion	Come and See Seeing Jesus	Jonny Baker John 1:29-39	Forest Church more details in Focus nearer the time			Wholehearted Just worship Dig Deeper Thinking biblically	Malachi 2:17-3:12 Gemma Cain
17th July	Come and See Come and see	Paul Cooke John 1:40-51				Wholehearted Consuming Worship	Malachi 3:13-4:6 Richard Judd
24th July AM communion	Come and See A wedding and a sign	Simon Richards John 2:1-12				Film Night Against the Tide (with John Le	ennox and Kevin Sorbo)