

# Sermon Notes



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### Making Everything Right

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#### **Do you ever wish that God would just make everything “right”?**

We are all too familiar with the effects of creation being subjected to God’s curse (Romans 8:20-22). God has “planted eternity” in our hearts (Ecclesiastes 3:11), giving us a unique awareness that we are made for far more than this world (Romans 8:23).

Sin and suffering increase our anticipation for the fulfilment of God’s promise to redeem all things. His unstoppable mission is to restore the entirety of creation to a state of eternal perfection, in which the blight and burden of suffering will be forever eliminated. What we suffer now—no matter how painful, intense, or chronic—is still “nothing” (Romans 8:18) compared to the glory that will be revealed.

The new creation will contain no more hate, prejudice, discrimination, poverty, or unmet needs. There will be no more physical or spiritual blindness, deafness, lameness, or muteness. Gladness and joy will overtake us. Sorrow and sighing will flee. There will be no more fear; no more anxiety, depression, or loneliness; no more death, mourning, crying, or

pain. We will sparkle in God’s hand like jewels in a crown, attractive and beautiful. We will know perfect peace, untainted joy, loving relationships with God and others, and eternal pleasures at his right hand.

Perhaps most sweetly, God will minister to each of us individually (1 Peter 5:10). *He* will bind up our bruises and heal our wounds (Psalm 147:3). *He* will lead us to the springs of living water (Revelation 7:17). *He* will wipe every tear from our eyes (Revelation 21:3-4). In an instant, we will realize that he sees and has always seen. He hears and has always heard. He cares and has always walked with us, even during our darkest days when we were not able to sense his presence.

As long as we walk this earth, we will continue to “groan and sigh,” wanting our dying bodies to be “swallowed up by life” (2 Corinthians 5:4). While it can be a challenge at times to wait patiently and confidently for the world to come, we hold on, by faith, to the hope that God *will* fulfil his promise to make and keep everything right—forever.

## Future Dates to Remember

- February 6th Ligonier Ministry pastors meeting
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- February 11th Rev. Mostyn Roberts will be speaking at HEATHROW IRC.
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- February 23rd A seminar at AMYAND PARK CHAPEL (10:30am-12pm),  
"The Call to and the Call of Mission".
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- February 26th LOCAL LEADERS pray/Lunch at FELTHAM EC
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- February 27th CHURCH MEMBERS MEETING 7:30PM

## This Month's Speakers

- February 3rd Family worship and God willing Pastor Robin Asgher will be preaching and leading the service. **After the service, we will have fellowship lunch on bring and share basis. A crèche is also available for toddlers during the second part of the service.**
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- February 10th God willing Pastor Robin Asgher will be preaching and leading the service. **The service will be followed by the Lord's Supper.**
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- February 17th God willing Pastor Robin Asgher will be preaching and leading the service. **BAPTISM CLASS from 1pm-2pm lunch will be provided.**
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- February 24th God willing Chris Pritchett from Carey BC will be preaching and leading the service. **Pastor Robin Asgher will be away preaching at Ebenezer BC, Chester.**

## Weekly Meetings

- Sundays **Morning Service** 11am  
*We thank God that He is a faithful God. We do not take up an offering during the service. Our offering box is located at the back of the church.*
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- Mon & Tues **Bible Study & Prayer Meeting at Local Detention Centre** 2 - 4pm and 7 - 9pm
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- Wednesday **Prayer Meeting at Church** 10 - 11am and 7:30 - 9pm
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- Friday **Klub 4 Kidz (Ages 4-10)** 6 - 7:15pm  
**Javan Group (Ages 11-up)** 7:15 - 8:15pm
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- Saturday **Pastor's Rest Day**

If you are interested in any of these meetings or would like further information, please contact Pastor **Robin Asgher 020 8754 1184**

## Points for Prayer

We believe that the Scriptures call on churches as well as individual believers to pray fervently, reverently, humbly, sincerely, regularly and with faith (Luke 21:36 Watch therefore and pray always; James 5:16 The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much).

Please pray for encouraging number children attending Baptism each month. Pray that the Lord would open their hearts and mind receive the word and come to the true knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Please pray for encouraging of children attending on Friday kids club about 30 attending. Value prayers as we share God's word with them.

Please pray for we are hoping to start coffee morning for the local community. Please pray for wisdom and helpers.

Please pray as we are considering to restart Toddler Group. Please pray for as we discuss this matter during our church members meeting.

## Missionary Interest

### Please pray for LOVEWISE:

Lovewise was started in Newcastle upon Tyne in 2002 by two paediatric doctors and the head teacher of a local secondary school. Together they were becoming increasingly concerned by the number of young people in their clinics and in schools who were suffering from the consequences of damaging relationships and family breakdown.

Seeing the needs of young people, Lovewise has developed resources on the subjects of marriage and sex. These resources encourage them to consider the God-given design of marriage and the wisdom and benefits of keeping sex for marriage. Please pray for the ministry.

*"God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth." John 4:24*

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