

RESTING ON CERTAINTIES

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead (1 Peter 1:3)

Michael Faraday, the great English physicist, was dying. Friends gathered round his bedside - which was the sort of thing they tended to do in the 19th Century - and they asked for some final words. I guess they were hoping for some gems of his wisdom. One of his friends said to him, "What are your speculations?" Faraday replied, "Speculations? I have none. I'm resting on certainties." Here was a man able to face death and the life beyond with certainties, and it's all because of Easter. This is why the message of Easter such good news and is relevant to every one who ever walks planet Earth. Sooner or later death will catch up with all of us. We always think it's going to be later than sooner, but it will come. In the face of death, Faraday had total confidence in life beyond the grave, and that confidence didn't come from a vague wishy-washy unsubstantiated hope nor was it him whipping up something inside him to say, "If only I could believe that there was something there." He was a scientist, after all! Whatever you make of the Christian faith, when you read the accounts of Jesus' life, death and resurrection from the dead, one thing you can't deny is that the resurrection of Jesus wasn't an after thought of the church lost at sea in their grief. The gospel writers are at pains to make that clear. And with Jesus' resurrection came certain hope that changed the world—not just for Faraday, but countless others down the centuries who also have faced death in hope. If this isn't your hope, then may I still wish you still a happy Easter; but I know it will be even happier with the certain hope Jesus brings.

David

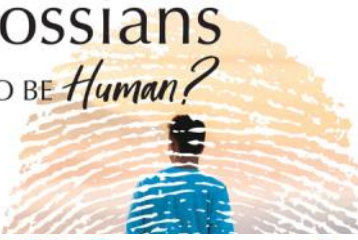
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THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH
FROM DAVID BARNSELEY

Colossians
HOW TO BE *Human?*



Derby Bible Week
Mon 29th April - Thurs 2nd May 2019
7:30pm - Woodlands Evangelical Church
10am - Christ Church Derby **WITH CRÉCHE**

ne life. What's it all about?

Christianity
EXPLORED

Taster Session
Thursday 9th May
7.30 - 9.00pm at St Alkmund's Church Hall.

The *Christianity Explored* course gives you time and space to think through who Jesus is and why he matters. It's an informal setting over drinks and desserts - you don't need to know anything about the bible and you can ask any questions you like, or just come and listen. For more information why not speak to David about it or visit:

www.christianityexplored.org



Café Church
Sunday 28th April &
26th May
from 9.45am in the Village
Hall. Start the day with
croissants, pastries and an
informal service.

April-May

April

Mon 1	7.pm	Impact
Tue 2	7.30pm	Ignition
Thur 4	2.00pm	Songs of Praise
	7.30pm	Lent Course
Sun 7	5.30pm	Salt Cafe
Mon 8	7pm	Impact
Tue 9	10am	Ladies Lent Course
	7.30pm	Ignition
Thur 11	7.30pm	Lent Course
Thur 18	2.00pm	Third Thursday
	7.30pm	Annual Meeting, Church Hall
Sun 28	9.45am	Café Church
Mon 29	10am	Derby Bible Week
	7.30pm	Derby Bible Week
Tue 30	10am	Derby Bible Week
	7.30pm	Derby Bible Week

May

Wed 1	10am	Derby Bible Week
	7.30pm	Derby Bible Week
Thur 2	10am	Derby Bible Week
	2.00pm	Songs of Praise
	7.30pm	Derby Bible Week
Sun 5	5.30pm	Salt Cafe
Tue 7	7.30pm	Ignition
Thur 9	7.30pm	Growth Groups
Mon 13	7.00pm	Impact
Tues 14	7.30pm	Ignition
Thur 16	2.00pm	Third Thursday
	7.30pm	Prayer Meeting
Mon 20	7.00pm	Impact
	7.30pm	P.C.C. Meeting
Tues 21	7.30pm	Ignition
Thur 23	7.30pm	Growth Groups

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Easter

at St Paul's Little Eaton

Good Friday (19th April)

Family Service 10.00am

Reflection at the Cross 12.00 noon
a quiet and reflective service

Easter Sunday (21st April)

Family Communion
Service 10.00am

Easter Celebration 6.30pm
with St Alkmund's Duffield



Songs of Praise

A short service of favourite hymns, chosen by you.

First Thursdays (4th April, 2nd May, 6th June) 2pm in the Church Hall, followed by tea and cakes.

Third Thursday

18th April, 16th May, 20th June
2pm in the Church Hall.
Tea, cake and company!



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SUNDAY SERVICES AT ST PAUL'S

April 7th	10.00 am	Holy Communion
April 14th	8.00 am	Holy Communion
	10.00 am	Morning Service
April 21st	10.00 am	Family Communion
	6.30 pm	Easter Celebration
April 28th	10.00 am	Café Church
May 5th	10.00 am	Holy Communion
May 12th	8.00 am	Holy Communion
	10.00 am	Morning Service
May 19th	10.00 am	Holy Communion
May 26th	10.00 am	Café Church

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

3-11's	Explorers	Sunday at 10.00am
		Church Hall, Little Eaton
Y7-9	Impact	Mondays at 7.00pm
		St Alkmund's Parish Hall, Duffield
	Fuel	Sundays at 10am
		Church Hall, see website for dates
Y10-13	Ignition	Tuesdays at 7.30pm
		St Alkmund's Parish Hall, Duffield
Y7-13	Salt Café	1st Sunday at 5.30pm
		St Alkmund's Parish Hall, Duffield

REGULAR CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Growth Groups (meet fortnightly)	
Tuesday 10am	Thursday 7.45 pm
Church Prayer Meeting	1 st Thursday
Church Hall	7.30 pm
Songs of Praise	1 st Thursday
Church Hall	2.00 pm
Third Thursdays	3 rd Thursday
Church Hall	2.00 pm



St Paul's
Little Eaton Church