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Date for your Diary Emmanuel Baptist Church Annual Church Members Meeting 18th July 2017 at 7.30pm Please make every effort to be at the important meeting	Food for Thought This Thurs 6th July. Guest Speaker is Rose Webber. Starts at 2.30pm.	Foodbank needs: Long Life Milk Long Life Fruit Juice Orange/ Blackcurrant Squash Tea & Coffee Cereals , Jam Tinned Spam Tinned Corn beef Tinned tomatoes Tinned Rice Pudding Tinned Soup Tinned Vegetables Crisps, Biscuits Sweet treats Shower Gel, Soap
Sunday School Teachers Meeting This Sunday after the service in the lounge.		
Pebbles Supervisor We are delighted to inform you that Amy Growcott-Smith will be taking on the role of Pebbles Supervisor from Friday 8th September. Please pray for Vanessa and family as they move to Hastings and for Amy and family as she takes on this new role and works alongside Wendy and the other volunteers.		
Safeguarding Course Don't forget to sign up for this course on 16th September. It is free to the people of Emmanuel		Sunday Evening Open Worship Tonight at 7pm, only three more left before we break for summer. Please come along if you can.

Sunday 9th July

10.30am **Coming together to praise, learn and encourage.**

Main Door Bryan Parr

Inner Door Ingram & Anne Bright

Easy Worship Sue Misselbrook

Coffees Before Service Nigel & Kate Bird

After Service Nigel & Kate Bird

Sunday 2nd July 2017

10.30am **Coming together to praise, learn and encourage.**
A warm welcome to you all. We would love to get to
know each other better, so please introduce yourself.
If you can, join us for refreshments after the service.

11am **Children and youth groups leave**
Parent and Baby Room available with a visual link to
the service.
Nippers: Age 2-4 (Parents please collect your children
at 12:00).

Buzz: Reception to Year 6

Salt: Year 7 and up (meets in the Power House)

7pm **Open Worship 7 - 8pm.** An opportunity to pray and
praise together; to listen and give space to the Holy
Spirit.

Prayer Ministry

Members of the Prayer Ministry Team wear ministry
badges. Please speak to one of them if you would like
prayer for any reason.

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Sermon outline notes: Resurrection Part 7

The resurrection of the Messiah Acts 2 vv22-36; 17vv1-4; 17vv16-32

1) Introduction

I personally think that our evangelism is not as effective as it could or should be, because we fail to explain Jesus as the fulfilment of God's purpose to heal a broken world. In other words we speak to 21st century western people without giving any context for Jesus. This morning I want to explain this context by studying the title 'Christ' and showing that for the New Testament writers Jesus was ultimately shown to be the Christ through his resurrection from the dead!

2) Christ

- i. The word 'Christ' is not a surname but a title.
- ii. Christ is the English translation of the Hebrew word Messiah and the Greek word Christos— both meaning the anointed one of God.

3) The Bible Story!

- i. Absolutely central, particularly in Paul's writings, is the understanding of the story of Israel and God's purpose for Israel in regard to God's wider purposes for the world.
- ii. The creation story—a good world created by God, but things go badly wrong and there is a rupture in the relationship between God and those made in his image.
- iii. The Tower of Babel—God's judgement upon the nations.
God calls Abraham and makes three promises
I will make you a great nation
I will give you a land
I will bless all nations through you.
Abraham /Israel is chosen for the purpose to the bless the nations.

4) Israel failed in her vocation/call as God knew she would, but out of Israel will come a 'Faithful Israelite' who would fulfil God's purposes to rid the world of sin and establish /renew his good creation. The Messiah is the one who will do this.

5) The Messiah is the one who draws Israel's long history to it's appointed goal, but the way God did this was very different to what most Jews expected—Messiah would suffer and be raised.

6) Through the Messiah's death and resurrection God would fulfil his ancient promises to Abraham to bless the nations.

7) The death and resurrection of Messiah (Acting as Israel's representative in the purposes of God) are the turning point of history : Israel's history, the world's history, God's history.

8) The resurrection of Jesus was the vindication of Jesus. When God raised Jesus from the dead that event was the divine declaration that Jesus really was the Christ, really was the son of God.

Conclusion

The gospel message, the proclamation of Jesus as the crucified and risen Lord and Christ summons men and women to discover in Jesus and in his Messianic death for sins, and in his resurrection which launches God's new creation, the fulfilment of the promises to Abraham to bless the nations, to restore humanity to relationship with God, and to rid the world of evil, wickedness and sin.

Points to ponder:

1. What was your reaction to the sermon. Was anything said which you did not understand? Was anything said with which you disagreed? Why?
2. Would you agree that we need to explain to people better the title Messiah/Christ?
3. Was the concept of Messiah/Christ fulfilling the role of Israel in God's purposes a helpful one? Did it give you a better way to understand the Old Testament and its 'direction of travel'?

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