

<p>EBC Café is Open Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday this week.</p> <p>Help is needed if we are to keep the café running! If you are able to give any (or part of) time on the days it is open contact the church office.</p>	<p>OASIS Groups Fri 17th May is Club Night. Please see Amy or Duncan for more information.</p> <p>If you are interested in attending a CAP Money Course, please contact Glyn Lumley 07720 772010 or glyn.lumley@me.com</p>	<p>Food Bank Needs :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Washing Powder • Tin Potatoes/ Smash etc • Tin Fruit • Tin Tomatoes • Shaving Foam • Shower Gel • Shampoo • Long Life Milk • Cereals • Fruit Drinks • Pasta Meals • Pasta Sauces • Toilet Rolls • Tin Meat Meals • Rice Pudding • Jam/Marmalade
<p>It is with great disappointment that I have to inform you that the Turning Tide Bereavement Café has had to close. This is primarily because of a <u>shortage of volunteers</u>. I will keep all of the café supplies and hope that FPCT will be able to open the Café again with a fresh team. Jane Charman (F&PCT)</p>	<p>Gift Aid Please see Jeff Mount if you would like to Gift Aid your offering.</p>	<p>Food for Thought Meeting on Thurs 16th May Guest Speaker is Barbara Warwick Starts 2.30pm.</p>

10.30am **Coming together to praise, learn and encourage.**
Main Door Hazel Evans
Inner Door Barry & Betty Hearn
Easy Worship Sue Wilson?
Teas & Coffees Chris & Kristine Trueman

Sunday 12th May 2019

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.

Children and youth groups are out to their classes from the start of the service.

7-9pm Pizza and Praise evening at church for the youth.

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NEXT WEEK:

WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN A HOUSEGROUP?

Email housegroups@emmanuelbaptist.co.uk and one of our Housegroup co-ordinators will put you in touch with a group.

WOULD YOU LIKE US TO PRAY FOR YOU?

Please come and ask the service leader and they will find one of our prayer team to pray with you.

Sermon outline notes: Habakkuk Chapter 2

1) Introduction

One of the names used to describe prophets in the Old Testament is the name 'seer'. A prophet is a man who sees things from God's point of view and when you see things from God's point of view two things will happen to your outlook:-

- 1) you will get a larger view in space- Habakkuk 1: 5 'Look at the nations.
- 2) you will get a longer view in time. Habakkuk chapter 2.

2) A longer view in time.

- Getting a longer view is usually the answer to questions about apparent injustice (see Psalm 73; 2 Corinthians 4: 17-18).
- God says to Habakkuk I am going to show you the future of this nation of Babylon. God sees Babylon's pride and greed and these vices will be judged and punished.
- Babylon will not be judged by the Ten Commandments standard, but will be judged and condemned on one ground—inhumanity. (See also Amos Chapters 1 and 2).

3) A taunt song verses 6-20

- Five verses in the original each beginning with the word 'woe' Woe is a terrible word as it's the opposite of blessing.
- The reason for woe is stated first as a principle then as a practice—woe to them who have done something and you have done it!
- Verses 6-8 woe to those who grab from others, who plunder and plunder.
- Verses 9-11 woe to those who become rich by dishonest gain.
- Verses 12-14 woe to those who take prisoners as slave labour.
- Verses 15-17 woe to those who take advantage of other's weakness to humiliate them.
- Verses 18-20 woe to those who make their own gods, idols.

Conclusion

A terrible chapter outlining God's judgement and punishment on a pagan empire.

Points to Ponder

- 1) What points particularly struck you or spoke to you in this chapter?
- 2) 'God is holy, does care and will act as he sees fit, but only in his time.' is that a fair summary of chapter 2? How do we deal with the 'instant nature' of our culture's thinking?
- 3) Is it intellectually satisfying to understand that judgement and punishment against the wicked will take place in the long term? What questions does it raise?

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