

Welcome to Rev Darren King's Bible Study – 26 May 2024

TRINITY SUNDAY

A GLIMPSE BEHIND THE CURTAIN

Trinity Sunday Opening Prayer (please pray together)

Holy God, source of all goodness, you gave your Son for the life of the world and sent your Spirit that your love might abide within us. Teach us how to love each other this day, that we may have life, and have it abundantly, with God, in Christ, and through the Holy Spirit, the Triune God, Amen.

Welcome 🙏

Q 1 Have you ever imagined what God looks like? Isaiah gives us a rare glimpse into God's great splendour sitting on a throne. Please discuss

Worship 🎵🎵

Read Psalm 29 together

He's got the whole world in his hands
Spirit of the Living God
As the deer pants for the water

Word: Psalm 29 **A psalm of David.**

¹ Ascribe to the LORD, you heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

² Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendour of his holiness.

³ The voice of the LORD is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the LORD thunders over the mighty waters.

⁴ The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is majestic.

⁵ The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars; the LORD breaks in pieces the cedars of Lebanon.

⁶ He makes Lebanon leap like a calf, Sirion like a young wild ox.

⁷ The voice of the LORD strikes with flashes of lightning.

⁸ The voice of the LORD shakes the desert; the LORD shakes the Desert of Kadesh.

⁹ The voice of the LORD twists the oaks and strips the forests bare.

And in his temple all cry, "Glory!"

¹⁰ The LORD sits enthroned over the flood; the LORD is enthroned as King forever.

¹¹ The LORD gives strength to his people; the LORD blesses his people with peace.

Word: Isaiah 6.1-8 **Isaiah's Commission**

⁶ In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord, high and exalted, seated on a throne; and the train of his robe filled the temple. ² Above him were seraphim, each with six wings: With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they were flying.

³ And they were calling to one another:

“Holy, holy, holy is the LORD Almighty;
the whole earth is full of his glory.”

⁴ At the sound of their voices the doorposts and thresholds shook and the temple was filled with smoke.

⁵ “Woe to me!” I cried. “I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have seen the King, the LORD Almighty.”

⁶ Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷ With it he touched my mouth and said, “See, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away and your sin atoned for.”

⁸ Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?”

And I said, “Here am I. Send me!”

COMMENTARY

God’s majesty, whether through the beauty of creation, through a vision, or through the people in our lives, often leaves us feeling pretty feeble. When we discover the divine, we can only feel that much more mortal. When we encounter the infinite, we are reminded of how finite we are. When we meet the living God, we can’t help but wonder about the lives that he gave to us.

Q 2 Knowing God is a mystery. Many times the disciples never knew who Jesus was and he often reminded them that if they had seen him, they had seen the Father. Jesus tried to show us that God desires a relationship with each of us. Do you agree?

Q 3 Isaiah felt lost and unworthy in the presence of God. God calls all of us to share the good news with all. Jesus was like the hot coal the angel used on Isaiah to wipe out his sin. After this he was ready to go. Do we ever say, “send me”?

Q 4 Where are you on the journey into God's mystery, and how might we progress further?

Works

Who can we reach out to this week? Pray for one another to spread the Word of God, ask for a blessing for each one of them.

Trinity Sunday Ending Prayer (please pray together)

O Lord, Heavenly King, God the Father Almighty; O Lord, the Only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer, with God, in Christ, and through the Holy Spirit, the Triune God, Amen.

Shalom

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