

Guest Speakers



Guest Speaker Sundays

Overview

As a church, we value moments in the year where we can welcome friends of The Street to come and teach. We appreciate the fresh perspective and insight they bring to our church community.

In these two weeks we get to hear messages specifically recorded for us from international speakers who we had hoped would join us either this year or next. We're excited to hear what happens as we apply what we're learning and discussing out of these messages.

If you missed the messages, you could even watch (again) as part of your life group. This might help people talk about the issues raised and how we should respond without even needing the questions.

Outline

26 July - Change Your World (Matt 13:33) - Adam Barr 2 August - Living with Jesus (John 12:1-8) - Karl Martin



Week 1 • 26 July 2020 • Matthew 13:33

- 1. Have you come to a "something needs to change" moment? What made you see it?
- 2. What are the ways people ordinarily seek change?
 - a. What's good about that? What's not so good?
 - b. What difference does it make when we seek change on the inside first?
- 3. Have a look at Romans 8:1-6. What inside changes does it describe the gospel bringing about?
- Adam also talked about the need to assimilate Scripture into our lives. Have a look at the following passages: John 8:31-32; 2 Tim 3:16-17; Heb 4:12.
 - a. What is unique about the purpose and role of Scripture in our lives? How does it bring inside change?`
 - b. How are you doing with "assimilation" (not just reading)? What's good or not so good? How can you support one another more in this?

- 1. "Stop living for Jesus and start living with Jesus."
 - a. What looks different about a person's life who lives "with" rather than "for" Jesus?
 - b. What is one step you could take here to move towards "with."
- 2. How would you define worship? How does your definition compare to Mary's?
- 3. Can you think of a time when someone hasn't understood your devotion to Jesus?
 - a. What is it about devotion that offends people?
 - b. Does this matter?
- 4. 2 Corinthians 4:17-18 shows an important principle. We become like who or what we worship (see also 2 Kings 17:15).
 - a. How does this affect the way you think about idols we have?
 - b. Spend some time thinking about what Jesus is like what verses do you know? E.g. compassionate (Matt 9:36).
 - c. As you think about this list of attributes, what would be different about your life and the people around you if you were even more like Jesus?
 - d. Why not spend some time praying and thanking God for what he is like?