



Chapel in the City

February–June 2010

Thursday 1.10 pm
Wesley Church
220 Pitt Street Sydney

Minister Michael Earl

D-Group

This group meets in the Stewart Room before Chapel in the City, from 12 noon until 12.45 pm each Thursday. D-Group is for deeper discovery and discussion and centres on the Bible. Bring your lunch and join us in this informal study group led by Minister Michael Earl. All are welcome!

Interaction Café

Interaction Café operates immediately following Chapel in the City on Thursdays from 1.50–2.30 pm in the Stewart Room, to the right as you leave Wesley Church. It is a chance to discuss informally the theme of the message over a quick cup of tea/coffee/biscuit and to have a time of prayer. Discussion is led by Minister Michael Earl. GOOD INTERACTIVE DISCUSSION!

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21st Century Pilgrims

Living the Christian faith in a place like Australia in the 21st century is a complex and challenging task. Today, the cultural and spiritual landscape in which people of faith worship and proclaim Jesus Christ, is radically altered from what it was even half a century ago. In this series we will explore the impact of things like technology, pluralism, and fundamentalism, on the lived experience of Christian faith, along with other pressing issues faced by *21st Century Pilgrims*.

Parables of Luke's Gospel

Luke's Gospel is replete with parables not found in Matthew, Mark, and John. Yet some of the best known stories of the New Testament are located in these passages. Many, if not most of the key themes of Jesus' ministry and teaching are expressed using parables at different points, so in this series we will explore how our faith is informed and nurtured today by *Parables of Luke's Gospel*.

Corridors of Power: Stories from 1 & 2 Kings

The books of 1 & 2 Kings contain some of the most intriguing and bewildering events found in the Old Testament. Chronicling experiences surrounding the division of the kingdom of Israel, the aftermath and the many ramifications, such significant characters as Solomon, Elijah and Elisha, are key actors in these stories. In this series *Corridors of Power: Stories from 1 & 2 Kings* we will reflect on some of the great narratives from this fascinating part of the history of the Hebrew people.

February

21st Century Pilgrims

4	<i>Overwhelmed by Options?</i> <i>Faith & Spiritual Choice Today</i>	Acts 17: 22–34 (HC)
11	<i>Stranger in a Strange Land?</i> <i>Faith & the Bible Today</i>	Matthew 12: 38–45
18	<i>Christian Classics?</i> <i>Faith & Doctrine Today</i>	2 Corinthians 13: 5–14
25	<i>I Did it My Way?</i> <i>Faith & the Individual Today</i>	1 Corinthians 3: 1–9

March

4	<i>Caring for God's Good Creation?</i> <i>Faith & the Environment Today</i>	John 1: 1–14 (HC)
11	<i>The Scourge of Spirituality?</i> <i>Faith & Fundamentalism Today</i>	Matthew 18: 6–9
18	<i>Not Peace but the Sword?</i> <i>Faith & War Today</i>	Matthew 10: 32–36
25	<i>Matters of Life and Death?</i> <i>Faith & the Sanctity of Life Today</i>	Mark 5: 35–43

April

1	<i>Getting to the Crux of the Issue?</i> <i>Faith & the Message of Easter Today</i>	1 Corinthians 1: 18–25 (HC)
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Parables of Luke's Gospel

8	<i>The Good Samaritan</i>	Luke 10: 25–37
15	<i>Dressed and Ready for Service</i>	Luke 12: 35–40
22	<i>Humility & Honour</i>	Luke 14: 7–14
29	<i>The Prodigal Son</i>	Luke 15: 11–32

May

6	<i>A Rich Man & Lazarus</i>	Luke 16: 19–31 (HC)
13	<i>The Persistent Widow</i>	Luke 18: 1–8

Corridors of Power: Stories from 1 & 2 Kings

20	<i>King Makers</i>	1 Kings 1: 28–37
27	<i>Elijah, the Ravens, and a Widow's Son</i>	1 Kings 17: 17–24

June

3	<i>On Mount Carmel</i>	1 Kings 18: 20–26, 36–39 (HC)
10	<i>The Call of Elisha</i>	1 Kings 19: 19–21
17	<i>Floating an Axhead</i>	2 Kings 6: 1–7
24	<i>The Last King of Judah</i>	2 Kings 23: 21–25