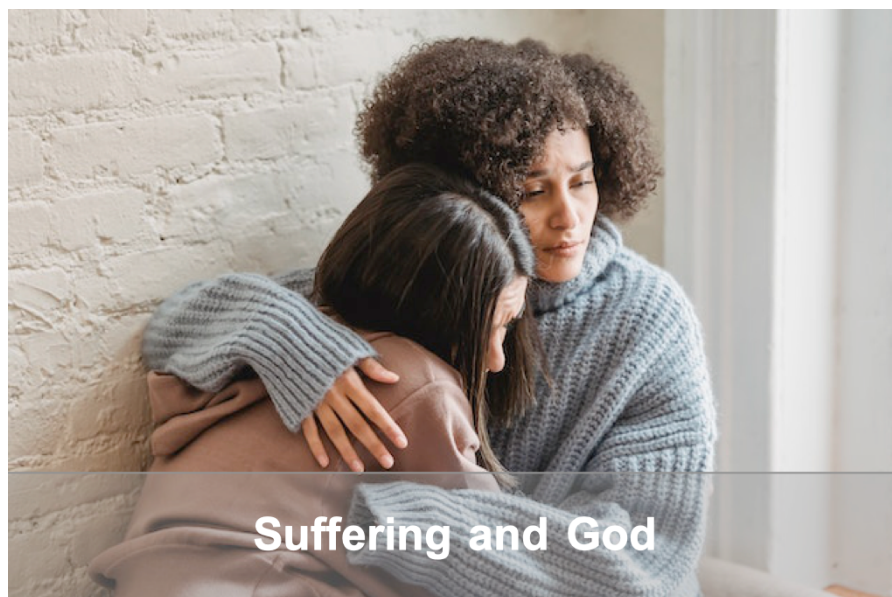


ABC NEWS

ldwick baptist church



Suffering and God

Sunday 9th October 2022

Series: Tough Subjects

“Suffering and the love of God”

John 3:16 & others

Simon Downing

TODAY'S SERVICE – This weekend, we will be beginning our new series on ‘Tough subjects’. This series will be looking at some of the ‘tough subjects’ or ‘tough questions’ that Christians have to believe in, deal with, or manage, somehow, within their faith. This morning we begin with ‘Tough subjects I: suffering and the love of God’. The main text will be John 3v16, but there will be others too.

This will be followed on October 16th by ‘Tough subjects II: making sense of the Old Testament God’ – the main text will be Deuteronomy 20v16-18.

We will then on continue on October 23rd with ‘Tough subjects III: what happens when we die?’ – the main text will be 1 Corinthians 15v54-55.

Of course, we do hope you can join us for the service in the church but if you can't actually join us, you will be able to access this service from 10.30am by going to: <http://www.aldwickbaptist.co.uk/category/current-sermons>

TODAY'S FLOWERS - The flowers have been donated by Bev in memory of her mother.

SASRA, TEA AND CAKE – FOLLOW UP. Thank you to the good number who came to support this event. We had this message from David Malam, the presenter from SASRA (Soldiers and Airman Scripture Readers Association). “Please pass on my thanks to everyone at Aldwick for the very warm welcome yesterday and for the lovely tea. Thank you also for your support for our work – it is a great encouragement for us.

Wishing you God's richest blessings as you continue to serve him. David
Thank you to Barbara for organising this event.

HARVEST SUPPER – FOLLOW UP – Although we had a few teething problems on the night, I am pleased to say we raised £442 for Foodbank. Thank you to Brenda and the team in the kitchen and for Clive for his mind-boggling quiz!

TABLE TENNIS - Under the banner of LOVE ALDWICK we are planning a table tennis group to start weekly from Tuesday 25th October at 2pm-4pm all ages and abilities welcome.

However we need to know who would be very interested in coming, a£2.00 subscription is chargeable to cover equipment and light refreshments. Please contact A.S.A.P. either, Clive Bennet secretary@aldwickbaptist.co.uk. Tel 01243930765 or John Bell. Jozel.bell@btinternet.com. Tel 01243967385

NEW GAS METER – An engineer will be fitting a new gas meter here on Tuesday 11th October between 1.00 - 4.00pm. Hopefully this will not cause any inconvenience to any of you. John Smith

THIS WEEK'S POEM

This week Arthur reminds us, that despite all the financial insecurity in modern living, if we stop and look, we can see that we do live in a 'wonderful world'.

His light

As I travel through the darkness
All around me I see His light.
The path is hard to bear
But oh, what joy,
that light is always there
Sometimes the path is very steep
in the valleys of despair.
But through it all,
He leads me on
that light is always there.
The storms of life rage round me,
war and conflict everywhere.
But He guides my path
He is my hope
Yes, His light is always there
The light seems so much brighter now
As the path comes near its end
But oh, what joy,
to be in His light forever more,
my Lord my life my friend
Amen

Arthur Magee

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS – We two birthdays to celebrate this week. So here we go! It's Tommy Monday (10th) and Jon Crane's birthday on Tuesday (11th). So do remember to wish them both a **BIG HAPPY BIRTHDAY or even send a card.**

If you want to be included in our birthday list, and receive a celebratory slot in the news sheet, please contact Lynne Allard (265360). If you want details of the BMS birthday scheme, then please contact Brenda.

ABC IN THE NEWS – If you would like to read the Autumn edition of "Baptists Together" magazine then use [this link](#). Amongst other interesting articles, it contains an article about ABC. It is well worth a look.

... and finally

PLEASE PRAY FOR IAN SORELL – Ian is back in hospital and needs our prayers. Simon visited him this week and found to be in good spirits. I am sure, it would be a great comfort to Ian if we all made a big effort to sort out our change and put it in the 'Well of Hope' collection point. The Well of Hope always supports people in need and makes generous gifts at Christmas.

PLEASE PRAY FOR JOYCE & PETER KAUFMAN – Joyce went into hospital on Thursday evening with significant weakness in her legs. Please pray for a swift and correct diagnosis, correct treatment and healing. Meanwhile Peter has a chest infection. Please pray that he soon recovers.

PLEASE PRAY FOR JAN HARRIS – Jan is very much under the weather at present and needs our prayers. Please uplift her before the Lord and ask for His healing touch.

PLEASE FOR KAY TUCKER – Kay is finding life difficult at the moment. She is rather unsteady on her feet and often falls. If you are passing do drop in and see her as she finds coming to church a real challenge at the moment.

PRAY FOR PAM RYAN – Pam is now back at home but will be finding life quite difficult. If you are able to give her a call or drop in when you are passing, I am sure she would be happy to hear from you.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR - Janet Cartwright, as she continues with her recovery. Pray too for others in the congregation who need prayer and for Diane, Simon's mum, who has had a very bad fall and is currently struggling with her health.

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