

SERVICE OUTLINE

SONGS May the peoples praise you

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

Rob Bridgewater

CHILDREN'S SLOT

Lucy Cross

SONG

 As for me and my house

5-11s leave for children's church in the scout hut (they will be brought back to the hall after the service). There are also separate crèches / groups for 0-4s in the hall, and there's a group for 11-14s in the side chapel.

THE GREAT OMISSION: TOP TIPS

BIBLE READING

1 Peter 2:11-25 p.1218

Rachel Tanner

(Chinese Bibles p. 996)

SERMON

Ben Tanner

SONG The Servant King

PRAYERS

CONFESSION

Lord, we are often impatient and wilful like your people across the ages. We want things our way and we want them in a hurry. Forgive us when we think this way or say it out loud. Lord, we are sinful. Please take away our sin. Help us to seek your way. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Almighty God, you despise nothing you have made, and you forgive the sins of all who are penitent. Create in us new and contrite hearts, that, truly repenting of our sins and acknowledging our brokenness, we may obtain from you, the God of all mercy, full pardon and forgiveness, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

COMMUNION

SONG He will hold me fast

CLOSING PRAYER

1 PETER 2:11-25

Evangelism through submission

You can silence a hostile nation by doing good

You can reach a workplace by enduring

Extended sermon notes in simple English are available on the welcome desk for anyone who would find them helpful.

GROWTH GROUPS & FAMILY TABLETALK

Growth groups meet during the week. Part of what we do is to help each other think through more deeply what we learn on Sundays—and then be ready to change as a result.

1. "The Great Omission" - do you have any good news stories from the past week?
2. What struck, challenged or encouraged you in the teaching from God's word on Sunday?
3. "Preach the Gospel at all times. Use words if necessary." What is wrong with that statement? How might we re-word it in light of this passage and the rest of the Bible?
4. Thinking of v14. Is your street / town / country better for having you as a part of it?
5. We looked at submission to authorities back in

Romans 13 (20 Oct). How are you doing?

6. How does the call to follow Christ's example in v21&23 challenge you in your work place?
7. What does Christ show though his unjust suffering? What do we show?
8. vv 21-25 make it clear that Christ did more than set an example, how does this help us to submit?
9. Where will you struggle to apply God's word this week?

And here is a question for parents and children to discuss over a meal time one day...

Do people notice that you live differently to people who are not Christians?