

Book Review: 'God has a name' by John Mark Comer

'The Lord, the Lord, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness, maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin. Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished; he punishes the children and their children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation.' – Exodus 34:6-7

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'God has a name' explores one of the foundational passages of the Bible. The verses above are spoken by God to Moses as he meets him on Mount Sinai after rescuing Israel from Egypt. They became the most quoted passage *in* the Bible *by* the Bible. Until Moses, God hadn't revealed himself by name, but when he meets Moses in the burning bush, he tells Moses his *name* – Yahweh, translated 'The LORD' in our Bibles or literally 'I am'. But here on Sinai Yahweh builds on that by revealing to Moses not just his name, but the *meaning* of his name.

The book explores these verses step by step in a very informal and accessible way. Each chapter looks at a phrase from the verses above (including the difficult one at the end!), first looking at the original words; then at stories where the passage is quoted by later Scripture writers; then at Jesus showing how Jesus in flesh and blood is the same God that Moses encountered; and finally Us, considering the implications of who God is for who we are.

It's a powerful, yet easily read book that gives an exciting and inspiring insight into the character and identity of the God we worship and his unchanging nature, from the days of Adam and Eve, Abraham and Moses to Jesus' life on Earth in 1st century Israel to the God we worship and serve today. It's a book that can change the whole way we approach and understand God.

As an aside, following our recent discussions about the name of our church, it also reminded me that our name is far more than what we call ourselves, it is our character, our reputation and what we are known for – which should reflect God's own character.

A copy of 'God has a name' is available to borrow in the church foyer.

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The Welcome Person this month will be: Lyn Birdsall

Our Sunday Services:

5 th	10:30 am	Chris Railton - Tempters and Restorers – Luke 17:1-4
May	7:00 pm	Evening service at Woodlands
12 th	10:30 am	Jane Grist - P's and Q's – Luke 17:5-14
May	6:00 pm	David Mitchell – Learning from Elisha (on video) (with communion)
19 th	10:30 am	Richard Golding - Remember Lot's Wife – Luke 17:20-37 (with communion)
May	6:00 pm	Sharing Service
26 th	10:30 am	Chris Railton - Grant me Justice – Luke 18:1-8
	3:30pm	Messy Church
May	6:30 pm	Richard Golding - Meditation

**Missed a Sunday? - All our sermons are available
on our Website**

CHURCH NOTICES

24 Hour Hebron Prayer Day

17th/18th May 3pm - 3pm

Our 24 hour day of prayer is set to start at 3pm on Friday May 17th and finish at 3pm on Saturday 18th. Note the change of timing this year. If you are able to commit to one or more slots then please sign the sheet on the notice board, otherwise do drop in at any time to pray and to receive from God.

Church Lunch 5th May

There will be a church lunch after the service on May 5th. All are welcome and encouraged to join in with this so we can get to know each other better.

Combined homegroup in June

As we have done in previous years, we are planning to have a video series for both homegroups and anyone else who would like to join in. This year the topic is "Friends Rediscovered" and is a short four part series led by Jeff Lucas. To get a taster of the material, some excerpts can be found here: https://youtu.be/uV6ofEBdu_Q

Everyone is encouraged to join in with this, whether you are part of a homegroup or not, especially as the material fits in well with the theme for our weekend away in November of "What does it mean to be a church family?".

Come and See

Please continue to pray for Come and see, particularly during this time while Rachel is unable to lead the group. Please pray that the Lord will build up a team of people to work together and to maintain the focus of Jesus.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Urban Saints

On Sundays, ages 3-16 years meet during the morning church service (10:30 am – 11:40 am) in small groups for teaching, craft and fun.

Home Groups – (See Pauline or Nini for further info!)

Monday Homegroup	7:45 - 9:30pm	13 th and 27 th May
Wednesday Homegroup	8pm	1 st 8 th 15 th 22 nd 29 th May

Men's Group – (See Peter for further info!)

Tuesday 28 th May	8pm – 9:30pm	At 16 Perry Road
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Prayer time

Every Sunday	10:00–10:20 am	GG3 classroom
24 hour prayer	Friday 17 th -Saturday 18 th May	3pm – 3pm at Hebron
Mothers' Prayers	Friday 10 th May, 9.30 am at The Brambles Wednesday 22 nd May, 2 pm at 16 Perry Road	

Saturdads (for dads and younger age children)

Saturday	11 th May	10:00 am – 12:00 noon at Hebron
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Kidz Club – (See Andrew for further info!)

Friday	10 th and 24 th May	6:30 pm – 8:00 pm at Hebron
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"Come and See" Toddlers' group

Every Thursday during term time	9:30am – 11:30am	at Keedwell Church
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