

Churches Together in Marshalswick

Lent Series 2019
Sunday Evenings at 19-00hrs

‘On the Way up’



Do come and join in the fellowship on each of these evenings.

Enjoy different approaches to worship as our various churches lead us, together with a range of speakers, from the United Reformed, Roman Catholic, Church of England and Baptist Churches.

And of course, share in fellowship after the Service meeting friends and enjoying refreshments

The theme for the five sessions is derived from verse 51 of the passage in St. Luke's Gospel chapter 9:

'And it came to pass, when the time was come that he should be received up, he steadfastly set his face to go to Jerusalem'(AV)

Luke then goes on to record the rejection of Jesus by the Samaritans, perhaps racially motivated, when he tries to enter their village. What would our response be to the invitation of Jesus in their position?

The sessions take a look at some of the incidental people whom Jesus came across or who helped him on his last journey from Jericho to Jerusalem.

Bartimaeus

Named by Mark only but referred to in both Matthew and Luke.

Jesus' reputation goes before him and a need is met. What might our own expectations be of him?

Zacchaeus

Only mentioned in Luke.

A living example of Jesus' mission to bring salvation to the lost and lonely.

How would we rate our own approach in the light of this story?

The man who provided the Donkey

Ever wonder who he was and why he provided a donkey and not a horse?

The symbolism of the donkey may also refer to the Eastern tradition that it is an animal of peace, whereas the horse is an animal of war.

Home from Home

Once again, a simple instruction, but observe the care taken in the giving of directions and the prediction of events which would follow.

It was generally the task of women to carry water, so amongst the thousands at Jerusalem a man carrying an earthen jar of water would certainly be noticed.

Are people's perceptions important as the followers of Jesus try to carry out his commands?

Next to Nothing

Jesus said that this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury.

'All contributed from their surplus wealth, but she, from her poverty, contributed all she had, her whole livelihood.'

What are the implications of this for the followers of Jesus?