ORDER OF SERVICE

WELCOME

SONG: Behold Our God

CHILDREN'S TALK

CONFESSION

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, We have sinned against you And against our fellow men, In thought and word and deed, In the evil we have done And in the good we have not done, Through ignorance, through weakness,

Through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,

Who died for us,

Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may serve you

In newness of life

To the glory of your name. Amen.

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NOTICES (Children leave for Sunday School & crèche)

STUDENT INTERVIEWS

RESPONSIVE READING:

1 Corinthians 2:6-9

SONG: Sovereign Over Us **SONG:** Oh, Praise The Name

READING: Job 28

SERMON PRAYERS

BLESSING

SONG: Immortal Invisible

NOTICES

Autumn Weekend Away- deadline today!

Join us at Ashburnham Place for our Autumn Weekend Away from the 15th-17th October. Christopher Ash will be speaking on the Psalms. The booking deadline is today, go to www.greenwich.church/weekend-away to book. If you need financial assistance to attend, please speak to Sam Wilde (treasurer@greenwich.church). If you'd like to contribute to the Fellowship Fund, please donate at www.greenwich.church/give.

Grace Groups

Mid-week Bible studies in Ephesians will happen on Wednesday, 7:30pm for 8pm start in the King William building, Greenwich. Join us, or speak to Andrew Latimer or Andrew Sach if you'd like to join a group.

People Not Pronouns

This is an event in partnership with local churches on Thursday 23rd September at St John's, Blackheath. Andrew Bunt from Living Out will be speaking on how Christians should respond to the transgender debate. Come at 7:45pm for an 8pm start.

Next Sunday: 26^{th} September: Job 38-42

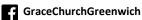
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Welcome!

Sunday 19th September 2021

"Behold, the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom, and to turn away from evil is understanding."

Job 28:28 (ESV)

Job 28



¹Surely is a mine for silver,
and a place for gold that they refine.
²Iron is taken out of the earth,
and copper is smelted from the ore.
³Man puts an end to darkness
and searches out to the farthest limit
the ore in gloom and deep darkness.
⁴He opens shafts in a valley away from where
anyone lives;
they are forgotten by travellers;
they hang in the air, far away from
mankind; they swing to and fro.
⁵As for the earth, out of it comes bread,
but underneath it is turned up as by fire.

⁷ That path no bird of prey knows, and the falcon's eye has not seen it.
⁸ The proud beasts have not trodden it; the lion has not passed over it.

⁶ Its stones are the place of sapphires, and it has dust of gold.

Man puts his hand to the flinty rock and overturns mountains by the roots.
He cuts out channels in the rocks,

and his eye sees every precious thing.

¹¹He dams up the streams so that they do not trickle,

and the thing that is hidden he brings out to light.

But where shall wisdom be found?
 And where is the place of understanding?
 Man does not know its worth,
 there

and it is not found in the land of the living.

¹⁴ The deep says, 'It is not in me,' and the sea says, 'It is not with me.'

¹⁵ It cannot be bought for gold, and silver cannot be weighed as its price.

¹⁶ It cannot be valued in the gold of Ophir, in precious onyx or sapphire.

¹⁷ Gold and glass cannot equal it, nor can it be exchanged for jewels of fine gold.

¹⁸ No mention shall be made of coral or of crystal;

the price of wisdom is above pearls.

19 The topaz of Ethiopia cannot equal it, nor can it be valued in pure gold.

20 "From where, then, does wisdom come?

And where is the place of understanding?

21 It is hidden from the eves of all living

and concealed from the birds of the air.

22 Abaddon and Death say,

We have heard a rumour of it with our ears.'

²³ God understands the way to it, and he knows its place.

²⁴ For he looks to the ends of the earth and sees everything under the heavens.

²⁵ When he gave to the wind its weight and apportioned the waters by measure,

26 when he made a decree for the rain and a way for the lightning of the thunder,

²⁷ then he saw it and declared it; he established it, and searched it out.

28 And he said to man,

'Behold, the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom, and to turn away from evil is understanding.' Introduction: do you blame God when you suffer and you don't understand?

1) Human beings can search out many things (vv1-11) more than the animals

2) But wisdom is beyond us (vv12-22) and wisdom is the most valuable thing of all

 Only God knows where it's hidden (vv23-27) not surprising, considering he created everything

APPLICATION: Be humbled; you don't know as much as God

4) "The fear of the Lord, that is wisdom, and to turn away from evil is understanding" (v28)

5) We need God's help to live this way, especially when we suffer we need God to put the fear of God into us we need God to grant us repentance

APPLICATION: Ask God to help you fear him and to turn from evil

COFFEE QUESTION

How has Job 28 equipped you to face suffering?