

PLEASE NOTE...

1. Isn't Christianity sexually repressive? Join us as Andrew Sach considers this topic at our next Big Questions event tonight, 7-8pm. Upstairs at the Greenwich Tavern, SE10 9JH.

2. Grace Groups meet every Wednesday: We encourage all regular members of the church to join a Grace Group, meeting weekly on Wednesdays to get to know God better through his Word, to pray together, and to support one another. If you're new to the church or haven't yet made the step of joining a Grace Group, why not ask one of the pastors about them. 7:30pm for food, groups from 8-9:15pm, King William Court, Old Royal Naval College.

3. Christianity Explored: This is a DVD-based course that we run regularly for sceptics, enquirers or anyone wanting to go over the foundations of Christianity. There is plenty of opportunity to ask questions, or just to listen if you prefer. It usually runs for 7 Wednesday evenings (7:30-9:30), starting 3rd October, but why not just come once to see if it is for you. Let us know if you are interested. explore@gracechurchgreenwich.org.uk.

4. Grace Church Weekend Away: 16-18 November, Ashburnham Place, TN33 9NF. Christopher Ash speaking on "Understanding Jesus". Please save the date: more details to follow.

5. Looking further ahead: For the long-term planners amongst us, some dates for your diary:

- Big Questions this term:
 - 28 October
 - 25 November
- Last Grace Group of term: 12 Dec
- 2019 Weekends Away:
 - 26-28 April 2019
 - 11-13 October 2019

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Sunday, 30 September 2018

Welcome!

Andrew Latimer is leading
Andrew Sach will be preaching

"Why I can't believe: I'm alright Jack!"

*"So if the Son sets you free,
You will be free indeed"
(John 8:36)*

SONG: Creation sings

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 & creche)

CONGREGATIONAL READING: John 8:31-32, 35-36

SONG: Come behold the wondrous mystery

SONG: When this passing world is done

READING: Exodus 3:1-14 (p.46)

SONG: Before the throne of God above

READING: John 8:31-59 (p.894)

SERMON

PRAYERS

QUESTION TIME: Text questions to 07520 632065

SONG: Rescuer

BLESSING

Next Sunday 7 October 2018 -

John 9 "Why I can't believe:

I can see the world clearly without religion"

“Why I can’t believe: I’m alright Jack!”

John 8:31-59

The outcome: Jesus is God and they are enslaved to the devil (v58-59)

Introduction

An English lesson:
Before Abraham was I am (v58)

The offer: Jesus can set us free (v32, 36)

Compare Moses and the burning bush
(Exodus 3:14)

The offence: they don’t think they are slaves
(v33)

A history lesson

Application

1) Sinners will always reject Jesus by nature

A biology lesson – who’s in whose family?

THEY SAY	JESUS SAYS
Abraham is our father (v39)	If you <i>were</i> Abraham’s children... (v39)
God is our father (v41)	If God <i>were</i> your father... (v42)
You have a demon (v48)	You are children of the devil (v44)
	God is my Father (vv49-50)
	Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day (v56)

2) If we have accepted Jesus,
it’s only because he has set us free

3) If others are to accept Jesus,
he must set them free

A geography lesson – an analogy