

Advent Study Group 2020

As usual there will be an Advent study group this year but what is not usual is that it will take place remotely even if we find ourselves able to meet in person in church as we near Christmas. Rather than plan to meet in church where we would inevitably have to be masked and socially distanced whatever the end of lockdown brings we will embrace the cyber sphere and plan to meet virtually via zoom. Some of you will already be familiar with this way of communicating with one another, others of you may be a little uncertain and we appreciate that some of you do not have the necessary internet connection. It is possible to join in via a telephone link and we hope to provide study notes for anyone who prefers to follow the course individually. If you contact me via email at kabstg@btinternet.com or phone 01778 343981 I can provide details about taking part in the course.

The theme is Journeying from Darkness to Light which is appropriate to the season as we progressively light our Advent candles and look to the coming of the light of the world, our Saviour Jesus Christ. It is also relevant to our current situation with our movement from the second lockdown to (we hope) a more relaxed regime as we approach Christmas and now with the hope of a vaccine on the horizon. We will meet on Monday afternoons at 2pm for roughly 45 minutes to an hour on November 30th and December 7th, 14th and 21st. Settle down with a cup of tea and biscuits of your choice with a Bible, a candle (or table lamp) and pen and paper to hand

Week 1: "Peering into darkness" Jeremiah 4: 19 – 31 and Matthew 26: 36 – 46

Week 2: "Walking through darkness" Psalm 23 and Luke 24: 13 – 32

Week 3: "Looking towards the light" Isaiah 9: 2, 6,7 and Matthew 2: 1-2, 9 – 11

Week 4: "Living in the light" John 1: 1 – 9, Matthew 5: 14 – 16 and Matthew 17: 1 – 8

Hoping to see you there

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