



Who is My Neighbour?

I've been finding myself thinking about one of the most famous parables of Jesus recently, the Parable of the Good Samaritan. You might well remember it.

A Jewish man is mugged on a road and left in a very bad way by his muggers. A priest and a Levite (2 religious people) each approach the man and each time you would be thinking that they will help him out – but neither of them do. Then a Samaritan man comes by, and the Jews and the Samaritans had different ethnicities and didn't get on. Yet, it is the Samaritan who helps the Jewish man out. So, that was Jesus' parable.

But, it was the background story behind that parable that I've been thinking about. Jesus has been telling an expert in the religious law that he should love God with everything and also love his neighbour as himself. These are the 'greatest commandments' that Jesus delivers to people on a few different occasions.

The legal expert asks Jesus who his neighbour is. Maybe he's thinking about those in his street, or his family or his own people. Almost certainly he is thinking about those around him and close to him. If we only need to love our neighbour then we don't need to love everybody else. Right?

Well, Jesus' parable clearly states that our neighbour includes people who are different to us. It includes people from other ethnicities. It includes people who we don't usually get on with.

The story finishes with Jesus asking the legal expert, "*Which of these three do you think was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?*" The expert in the law replied, "*The one who had mercy on him.*" Jesus told him, "*Go and do likewise.*" [Luke 10:36-37]

So, notice what Jesus is saying to the legal expert here. He is not only saying to him that his neighbour can actually be anybody at all, but that he is to act in loving ways towards anybody and everybody – even if they are different. This is the teaching of Jesus Christ. This is Christian ethics.

I've been thinking about this because of lots of things that some people in our country and across the western world have been saying recently about people who are different. We can be proud of our country and in doing so we should remember and seek again a reinvigoration of our Christian heritage. That heritage reminds us to follow the teaching of Jesus to love our neighbour as ourselves – and our neighbour can be anybody and everybody.

God bless,

Paul

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5 Top Tips for University Students

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Going to uni can be an exciting but expensive time for students. Learning to pay the bills and live on a tight budget isn't always easy. Add to that the cost of any new equipment or furniture needed if you're living away from home. So whether you're starting university for the first time, or you're a returning student simply wanting to get better at managing your finances, here are a few tips to get you financially ready for the new academic year:

1. Build a budget

First, you need to understand how much income you have and how much your expenditure is likely to be. This will help you live within your means. How much will it cost to do your laundry? Will you have to pay for gas and electricity? Will your parents be contributing toward a living allowance?

Will you need to find a part-time job? All of these factors will impact your potential budget. Download CAP's budgeting guide at capuk.org/budgeting to build your own budget for university, and you can find out about student budgeting apps and tools on CAP's website.

2. Keep costs down

To make your money go further, take advantage of any student discounts that you're entitled to. If you're likely to be using the train, then investing in a young person's railcard is worth looking into. How much you spend on food and essentials can be cut back if you look around for the best prices and find ways to reduce how often you buy non-essentials. Identify your needs from wants; if you don't need it and can't afford it, cut it out completely. You could even try out CAP's Money Personality Quiz to help you understand your spending habits and figure out what simple changes will make the biggest difference for you.

3. Keep an emergency fund

Be prepared for unexpected costs. What would you do if your phone broke or you had an extra expense that you hadn't planned for? An emergency fund can offer huge peace of mind when these costs arise. If you have any savings, then set some aside for an emergency fund. You can even try adding a small amount to it each month.

4. Go on a course

Whatever subject you've chosen to study at university, knowing how to manage your money will be one of the most valuable life skills you'll learn. So why not prioritise your financial peace of mind by taking a free money course to give you confidence in how you handle your money? CAP offers budgeting and life skills sessions at various locations, and there might even be a course near your university. Visit capuk.org/help to see what's available in your area.

5. Get help if you need it

Living on a student income can be difficult, and with small budgets finances can become a real burden. If you find yourself struggling with unmanageable debt, call CAP's free helpline on 0800 328 0006. Alternatively, visit moneyhelper.org.uk for a wide range of support.

Managing your finances by sticking to a well-thought-out budget should help you avoid any money trouble this academic year, allowing you to focus on making the most of your university experience.

Christians Against Poverty (CAP) is a UK charity working with over 1100 affiliated churches to deliver debt help, budgeting guidance, support to find work, life skills education and more. Visit capuk.org to find out more.

The Green Zone



This month's Green Zone suggestion is to get on your bike or to walk.

Cycling obviously does not produce any pollution and so means that the air quality of the area remains that little bit cleaner. Reducing the number of cars on the road will also reduce the likelihood of being in traffic jams. The more people who go by bike or walk the better for everybody.

In addition to that the exercise has obvious health benefits to those cycling or walking, and it also means being able to take some of the nicer paths in the local area and being able to enjoy the natural world and parks around us.

What's On?



THE LIGHT CAFÉ



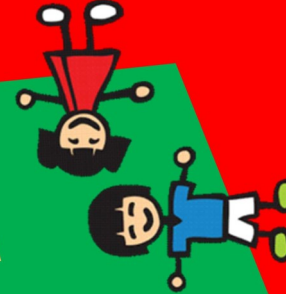
The Light Café
is open 9am-1:30pm every
Wednesday in term time.
We serve drinks, breakfast,
lunch and homemade
cakes—plus there's always
someone for you to chat to
if you'd like some company.
If it's not a Messy Toddlers
week, there'll be play
equipment out in the café
for pre-schoolers.
We'd love to welcome you in!

Messy Toddlers



9:30-11:00am

Wednesdays:
-25th September
-16th October
-13th November
-11th December



*all 0-5s and their
parents / carers welcome*



*Lots of great toys, stories,
crafts and chats.
Plus the Light Café is open
for drinks and snacks.*



All Hallows Church
Cheadle



ALL HALLOWS Youth Group

WEDNESDAYS 7-8.30PM



**For Year 7 upwards, every week in term-time.
Free—but bring money for tuck!**

All Hallows Social Night

Last Thursday of every month
7.30–9.00pm

Join us for a relaxed evening of
games, conversation & fun:
Pool, air hockey, table tennis, board
games, drinks, cake & more

Everyone Welcome

For more information, contact All Hallows on 0161
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**Meet together, pray together,
share life together—join a small
group today!**

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GROUPS

WE ARE BETTER TOGETHER



New or Visiting?

First Time Here?

If it's your first time here then welcome! It's great to have you with us. Here are a few short notes that you might find helpful.

Relax - You're our guest, so make yourself at home. If there is anything that you would like to know then ask one of the Welcome Team by the front door.

We don't expect guests to give - For those who are members or regular attenders there is an offering plate at the back, but we don't ask our guests for any money.

We have a Loop System - Switch your hearing aid to T-coil.

You might find it useful to sit towards the middle.

Hang around afterwards - Come and join us for a cup of tea or fresh coffee, and for a chat—drinks are served in the hall and we usually gather in the lounge to chat.

Prayer - If you would like someone to pray with you — either prayer for you or for someone you know — there are people who would love to do so after the service. Please make yourself known to the service leader.

Children & Youth - Once a month, the whole church worships together. On other weeks, there is a Sunday School for primary aged children. One of the Welcome Team can show you where Sunday School meets. For pre-school age children, there are green tables at the side of church with activities. Please don't be embarrassed if your children make any noise—they are welcome here and are part of the service, too! All our children and youth leaders have DBS checks and have undergone safeguarding training.

Next Steps

We are all on a journey through life, and our faith is no different. Depending upon where you are on your journey with God here are some 'Next Steps' you could take:

COMMIT YOUR LIFE TO CHRIST

Commit to follow Jesus today!

RE-COMMIT TO CHRIST

It's never too late for a fresh start with faith.

DECLARE YOUR FAITH THROUGH BAPTISM

If you feel you've made a commitment to God but have never been baptised, then this could be a great step for you.

JOIN A LIFE GROUP

If you're not in one, there are a number of groups that meet in homes throughout the week to get to know each other better, look at the Bible and pray together.

BE PART OF THE MISSION

There are lots of ways you can use your gifts to serve God, his Church and the wider community. Speak to one of the church team to find out more.

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Wednesday 1st

9:00-1:00 Light Café

1:00-1:15 Pause for Thought

7:00-8:30 Youth Club

Sunday 5th

10:00 Harvest Family of God Service

6:30 Evening Service

Wednesday 8th

9:00-1:00 Light Café

9:30-11:00 Messy Toddlers

1:00-1:15 Pause for Thought

7:00-8:30 NO YOUTH CLUB

Sunday 12th

10:00 Morning Service & Sunday School

6:30 Evening Service

Wednesday 15th

9:00-1:00 Light Café

1:00-1:15 Pause for Thought

7:00-8:30 Youth Club

Sunday 19th

10:00 Morning Service & Sunday School

6:30 Evening Service

Monday 20th

7:30 Leaders & Preachers Meeting

Wednesday 22nd

9:00-1:00 Light Café

1:00-1:30 BCP Communion

7:00-8:30 Youth Club

Sunday 26th

10:00 Morning Service & Sunday School

6:30 Evening Service

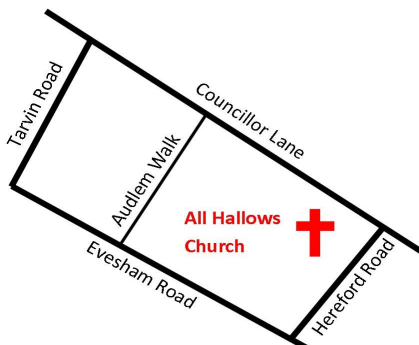
Thursday 30th

7:30-9:00 Social Night

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If you would like to make a one-off donation to the work of All Hallows Church you can do so by using the QR Code.

PRAYER MEETINGS

Monday

10:00-11:00 Zoom Prayers

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

9:30-10:00 Morning Prayer in Church

Fasting Fridays

Half days of prayer as we go about our everyday lives

Saturday Prayer Relays

Book a half hour slot during the day to pray, before somebody else takes over