



Catalyst Festival

Sat 28th May to Wed 1st June

Our annual weekend away together as a church. The festival will miss a year in 2017 so don't miss out this time. Cheaper prices extended until 17th April. Speak to Al if you need help to get there.

Book at: catalystnetwork.org/festival

Exploring Membership Day

Sat 14th May 9.30am – 4.30pm

A day to help you find out more about King's Church, chat to the leaders and get to know others who are new to the church. Lunch and refreshments included. To book in, please speak to Rich, Jeff or Al.



Diary Dates

Sat 30 th Apr	11am Men's Cycling
Sun 1 st May	7.30pm Monthly Prayer Evening (drinks from 7.15pm)
Sat 14 th May	9.30am Exploring Membership Day
Sat 21 st May	11am Jack & Claire's Wedding
Sat 28 th May - Wed 1 st June	Catalyst Festival at Stoneleigh Park, Warwickshire
Sun 29th May	No Sunday Meeting due to the Catalyst Festival

Sunday 10th April

CONNECT WITH THE MESSAGE

Joyfully Confident

Romans 5:1-11

1) What are you most looking forward to at the moment?

Read Romans 5:1-11

2) Which part of Rich's message would you most like to talk about with your small group? Why?

3) How are you finding life tough at the moment?

4) How can this passage help you to persevere in tough times of your life?

Read 2 Corininthians 4:13-5:5

5) Do you feel it fair to describe believers' suffering as 'light & momentary troubles'? Why?

6) What encouragements does this passage give to help us when life is tough?

7) What makes it hard for you to encourage yourself with these things when your life is tough?

8) How could you enable these verses to more significantly shape your response to tough times?

9) In what ways do you feel you are being daily inwardly renewed?

10) Spend some time thanking God for the encouragements found in this passage and asking him to help respond well to your suffering.

DIGGING DEEPER

Read Philippians 1:12-30

- a) From what context is Paul writing to the Philippians?
- b) How is Paul viewing his own suffering at the time of writing?
- c) How is Paul able to rejoice in his?
- d) What role does a 'Hope of Glory' play in this passage?
- e) How does he expect his response to suffering to enhance the Philippians 'boasting in Christ'?
- f) What response does Paul expect/desire from the Philippians to their own situation?
- g) What do you think it means to be "granted....to suffer" for Jesus?
- h) In what ways do you personally struggle to have the same view of your suffering as Paul does of his?
- i) How should this passage help you in that?
- j) Take some time to pray through your response to this passage, especially where it could help you to respond well to suffering.

CONNECT IN PRAYER

Migrant Crisis

- Pray about the **Root Causes**: conflict, inequality, climate change in home countries, radicalisation and spiritual oppression.
- Pray for **National Governments**: wisdom, compassion, strategy, co-operation
- Pray for those **Dealing with the Crisis**: International support for countries hosting the majority of refugees - Jordan, Lebanon, Turkey
- Pray for the **People**: shelter, food, security, health needs (inc. stress), safe routes and against human trafficking
- Prayer about **Public Attitudes**: a gracious welcome so refugees can integrate quickly, for compassion and the demonstration of care.
- Pray for **Us/Yourself**: the Church's involvement, demonstrating God's love, that our hearts would break for what breaks the heart of God.