

“LOOK”

Isaiah 45:22 Look unto me, all the ends of the earth. 'My dear friends, this is a very simple text indeed. It says, 'Look.' Now lookin' don't take a deal of pains. It ain't liftin' your foot or your finger; it is just, 'Look.'

But then the text says, 'Look unto Me.' Ay!" said he, in broad Essex, "Many on ye are lookin' to yourselves, but it's no use lookin' there. You'll never find any comfort in yourselves. Some look to God the Father. No, look to Him by-and-by. Jesus Christ says, 'Look unto Me.'

Then the good man followed up his text in this way: "Look unto Me; I am sweatin' great drops of blood. Look unto Me; I am hangin' on the cross. Look unto Me; I am dead and buried. Look unto Me; I rise again. Look unto Me; I ascend to Heaven. Look unto Me; I am sittin' at the Father's right hand. O poor sinner, look unto Me! Look unto Me!"

When he had gone to about that length, and managed to spin out ten minutes or so, he was at the end of his tether. Then he looked at me under the gallery, and I daresay, with so few present, he knew me to be a stranger. Just fixing his eyes on me, as if he knew all my heart, he said,

"Young man, you look very miserable." Well, I did; but I had not been accustomed to have remarks made from the pulpit on my personal appearance before. However, it was a good blow, struck right home.

He continued, "and you always will be miserable - miserable in life, and miserable in death, if you don't obey my text; but if you obey now, this moment, you will be saved."

Then, lifting up his hands, he shouted, as only a Primitive Methodist could do, "You man, look to Jesus Christ. Look! Look! Look! You have nothin' to do but to look and live."

I saw at once the way of salvation. I know not what else he said, I did not take much notice of it - I was so possessed with that one thought. "Look!" what a charming word it seemed to me! Oh! I looked until I could almost have looked my eyes away. Oh, that somebody had told me this before, 'Trust Christ, and you shall be saved.'



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A warm welcome to our church. We are Christian men and women who have experienced the mercy of God through faith in Jesus Christ. We often say we are saved by faith alone in Christ alone.

'Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved' Acts 16 verse 31

THIS WEEK

This Sunday Dewi Higham is preaching 10.30am & 6pm. Alun Higham is preaching at Capel y Rhath 3.30pm. Sunday School at 3.30pm

10am Tuesday Fellowship
An informal meeting where we discuss a Bible passage

8.00am Wednesday Men's Prayer Meeting and followed by breakfast in the Deli Rouge

7.30pm Wednesday Church Midweek Meeting
Bible Study & Prayer Meeting

7.30pm Thursday Capel y Rhath Prayer Meeting - Welsh Meeting

5.00pm Friday Club
Meeting for children between the ages of 4 and 11 in Church Hall

11am Saturday Open Door
Evangelistic outreach work including Bible Study

7.30pm Saturday Youth Fellowship in Church Hall

SUMMER CONFERENCE

Monday 30 July to Friday 3 August 2018 The conference is held in our church buildings. John Greer and John Saunders are the main speakers.

NEXT WEEK

Sunday 20 May - Alun Higham
10.30am & 6pm. Alun Higham
3.30pm at Capel y Rhath

MORNING

opening prayer

hymn

reading: Genesis 4v1-17

hymn

announcements

offering & hymn

main prayer

hymn

sermon: Hebrews 11v4

hymn

closing prayer



‘CAIN & ABEL’

- Genesis 3 tells us of the fall of Man. It is a dark chapter. Yet the light of the gospel breaks through with the promise of a Saviour.
- The same chapter speaks of mankind divided into two camps. The saved and the unsaved.
- Genesis 4 gives us an example of the two camps. Cain & Abel

CAIN

- We see in Cain both false religion and worldliness
- His religion was careless. There was no heart, faith and life.
- His religion was bloodless. There was no sense of the promise of Christ and the cross which removes sin.
- There was no fruit of God’s grace in his life. He only showed the works of the flesh. Such as envy and violence
- He showed his true nature by persecuting Abel. The world will hate the Christian.
- He also hated God in his heart. He ignored the judgment of God and then complained of the judgment.

ABEL

- Abel seemed to live a quiet life, getting on with his work and worshipping God. There seems to be an innocence about him
- He showed an awareness of the holy nature of God and the need of a sacrifice of sin
- He was aware he was a sinner and approached God through a sacrificed lamb, which spoke of Christ and Calvary
- May Abel yet speak to you

EVENING

opening prayer

hymn

reading: Luke 15v11-32

hymn

announcements

offering & hymn

main prayer

hymn

sermon: Luke 15v17

hymn

closing prayer

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‘CAME TO HIMSELF’

- There is hope in this parable

LEAVING HOME

- The young man was not himself when he left home.
- You are not yourself when you leave a church which preaches the saving gospel - salvation through Christ and the cross.

FAR COUNTRY

- You are not yourself when you live a worldly life. It is a madness and even insanity

FEELING NEED

- He came to himself when he felt his need. The Lord will bring us to our senses

REMEMBERED

- He came to himself when he remembered his home.
- We see here a longing for God and a desire to be saved

RETURNING

- He came to himself when he decided to return
- We see how this longing for God turns into action.

COME HOME

- He was most certainly himself when he took his place again.
- What a blessing to be home.

