

BASICS 2024 - Tuesday, May 7th

Main Session 3 : Rico Tice 9.15-10.15am

COME AND HEAR

Our Methodology:

2 Corinthians 4 verses 5-6: "For what we preach is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. For God, who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness', made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God's glory displayed in the face of Christ."

We preach Christ, God opens blind eyes.

What is HOPE EXPLORED?

Our Definition of Hope:

A joyful expectation for the future, based on true events in the past, which changes everything about my present.

Our Key Themes:

FELT NEEDS:

Session 1 | Hope

Session 2 | Peace

Session 3 | Purpose

FACTS:

Session 1 - Luke 8 verses 22-25, 40-56

Session 2 - Luke 23 verses 32, 39-46

Session 3 - Luke 24 verses 1-11, 36-44

FULFILLMENT:

Isaiah 9 verses 2 and 6:

“The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned.”

“For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.”

What is the structure of the session?

- Watch a film
- Discuss a question
- Watch a second film or hear a talk
- Explore a passage

LET’S GO FOR A DRIVE!

Session 1 | Hope

= Watch a film

It’s the feeling you get as a kid in the last week of school before the summer - or as an adult, when you’ve only got two days left at work before a holiday. Or how it feels a couple of minutes before the final whistle, when you know your team’s going to win. Even though the game’s not over, your excitement builds with every pass and tackle as the clock counts down to certain victory.

That’s hope. And there are few emotions more powerful. Hope is the spark inside you that brings a smile to your lips, a light that shows on your face, a feeling that lifts your head and pulls you forward.

Maybe you can remember a time when you knew something good was on its way: that some happy thing was going to happen to you or the people you love. That, right there, is hope.

= The Pictures



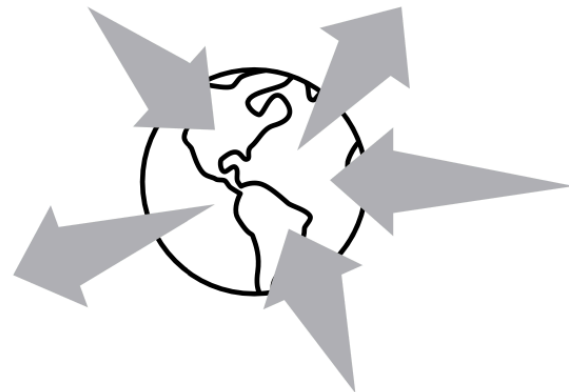
Things are getting worse



Things are getting better



Things go round in a circle of life



Things are in chaos

= The Talk

Isaiah 9 and Luke 8

= The Study

1. What most surprised or intrigued you about the Christian view of hope that we've just heard described?

Read Luke 1 verses 1-4

2. According to Luke, why did he write his Gospel? (See Luke 1:4)
3. How did Luke research the events he wrote about? (See Luke 1:2-3)
4. How does Luke's method help us to have confidence in what he wrote about Jesus?

Conclusion

	SESSION 1	SESSION 2	SESSION 3
Film Part 1	Hope	Peace	Purpose
Discussion activity	Where do you think the world is going?	How do you think we can find peace?	Where do you look for a sense of purpose?
Film Part 2	Luke 8:22-25, 40-56	Luke 23:32, 39-46	Luke 24:1-11, 36-44
Explore	Luke 1:1-4; 8:40-42, 49-56	Luke 23:32-47	Luke 24:1-6, 9-12, 36-44
	Jesus is the Mighty God, with the power to meet our deepest needs.	Jesus is the Prince of Peace, who tears down the barrier between us and God.	Jesus is the Everlasting Father, whose defeat of death gives life the meaning we long for.
	Will you have Jesus as your Wonderful Counsellor?		

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