



Finding the glory of God



Wk 3

Sunday 25 May 2025

Our 9:30am service is live streamed to our YouTube and Facebook Channels.

TODAY'S 9:30AM SERVICE

- Welcome
- Songs
- Confession & Assurance
- Spotlight
- Bayliss Video & Vision Spot
- Song
- Leviticus 9:1-10:3 (p. 106)
& 1 Peter 2:4-10
- Sermon
- Prayers
- Song
- Conclusion

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If you are a visitor please don't feel obliged to contribute financially.

Welcome! Whether you're here for the first time or you've been part of our church for years, we're so glad to be gathering together today as God's people. Our vision is to be a church made **beautiful, diverse and large by the gracious work of Christ**—and today is a powerful expression of that.



This morning is Mission Gift Day, our annual opportunity to support our link missionaries who are sharing the good news of Jesus across Australia and the world. Our goal is to raise \$35,000 in one-off gifts, which will go directly to the frontline of gospel work. You'll hear stories and updates about what God is doing through these partnerships—and how we can be part of it. Gifts can be made using the bank details in the bottom left corner and the ref: Mission.

If you're new or visiting, we'd love to connect—scan the QR code to fill out a Connect Card and let us know how we can help you feel at home.

Next Steps

Are you new? We would love to meet you. Hear a brief intro on the life of our church at our next **Newish Morning Tea** on today. It runs for ½ an hour straight after the service.

Been regularly coming? If you are a regular member of our church, we encourage you to attend our next **Belonging Course** which runs on 1 June from 12-3pm. Belonging is the gateway to our GaP Groups, serving and deeper connection with the community. Or if you'd like to learn more at another time, you can arrange a coffee with Prash or Jill. Simply reach out – they'd love to chat.

Prayers for the Service

These prayers are used during the service. Prayer is a privilege we are given because Christ died for us. His death & resurrection means we can confidently approach God seeking forgiveness (Hebrews 10:22). If you believe that Christ died to deal with your failings then you should be confident to pray with us. If you are still exploring who Christ is then feel free to listen in.

A Prayer of Confession

Our Father in heaven,
You are big and we are small.
Thank you that you are the King over everything.
We are sorry for not loving or listening to you.
We are sorry that we choose our way instead of yours.
Please help us live as friends with you
through Jesus Christ.
Help us to listen and love you by your Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Words of Assurance

“And by that will, we have been made holy through the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.”

(Hebrews 10:10)

The Lord's Prayer

This is the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples to pray (Matthew 6:5-14).

Our Father in heaven
hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done on earth as in heaven
Give us today our daily bread
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever
Amen.

Sermon Notes

Coming to Glory | Leviticus 9:1-10:3 & 1 Peter 2:4-12

Preacher: Prashanth Colombage

1. The Path to Glory Pattern

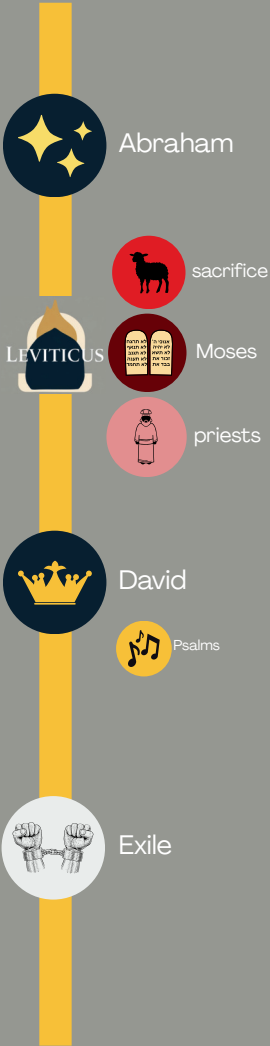
Failure
Command [US] Glory

2. The Priest of Glory

3. The People of Glory Glory in Us

Glory to the world

Seeing Jesus in the Old Testament



Gospel and Prayer (GaP) Group Study

Opening Discussion

Share with each other, what have you found encouraging about the Sunday sermons in Leviticus? What questions are you still wrestling with?

Going deep in God's Word

Leviticus 1-7 introduces us to 3 types of sacrifices: the Burnt for atonement generally (Lev 1 & 6:8-13); the Grain & Fellowship for thanksgiving and communion (Lev 2, 3, 6:14-23, 7:11-21); and the Sin & Guilt for atonement of specific sins (Lev 4, 5, 6:1-7, 6:24-7:10).

1. Split into 2 groups. Each group must act out one of the following sacrifice procedures to the other group.

- (a) Burnt Offering (Read Leviticus 1:1-9)
- (b) Sin Offering (Read Leviticus 4:27-35)

2. Reflect on that. Imagine a week/year/lifetime doing those sacrifices; what things about your relationship with God would confront you constantly?

3. What do these sacrifices teach us about atonement (ie. restoring a broken relationship)? How does this differ from the world's attitude towards relationship breakdowns and forgiveness?

Read Romans 3:23-25a

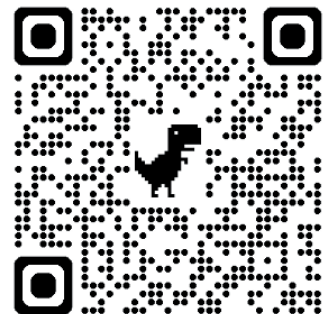
4. What aspects of Leviticus' sacrifices do you see and appreciate in Christ as a sacrifice of atonement for you?

Praying big prayers shaped by the gospel

In light of God's Word, spend some time reflecting on the following questions and praying together.

1. Have you been comforted in the assurance that your sins have been completely dealt with by the sacrifice of Jesus once for all?
2. Have you been challenged by the seriousness of your sins? How can you confess them and bring them to the Cross more regularly?

If you have time, finish by singing Jesus Paid It All together, you can scan this QR Code to listen to a recording with lyrics.



Read the Bible with us! And with your family!

Using some of the questions to guide you.

1. What does this show me about God?
2. What does this show me about myself and my relationship to God?
3. What does this show me about Jesus?
4. How might this shape my heart, mind, life, actions today?

Monday - [Acts 9:1-19](#)

Tuesday - [Acts 9:20-31](#)

Wednesday - [Acts 9:32-43](#)

Thursday - [Acts 10:1-48](#)

Friday - [Acts 11:1-18](#)

Notices

Mission Partner Focus

This month is Mission Month! We're hearing from our Mission Partners around Australia and the world. Today we have our Annual Mission Gift Day - a chance to give a one-off gift to support our missionaries.

Our target is \$35k this year.



Mikey, Lil, Rafi, Max & Zelda are missionaries in Japan. Their desire is to reach groups of North Koreans who live in Japan but find themselves caught between two cultures.

Mikey grew up here at St Stephen's before eventually meeting Lil and going to the Mission Field. We are privileged to have shared their journey so far, including the significant frustrations in getting entry to a country which is opposed to Christianity.

Their recent move to Japan has been an answer to prayer for guidance and long term mission opportunities.

We hope you will join us in supporting them through our Mission Gift Day this year. Our target is \$35k which will benefit our partners immensely in their daily living costs.

Donate using the church bank details and using the reference: Mission.

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JOIN US FOR MISSION GIFT DAY

on Sunday 25 May

Our goal is to raise \$35,000 to support our dedicated link missionaries. Can you give a one-off gift to support them?

"After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb..." (Rev 7:9)

Notices

Belonging Course - 1 June

On 1 June from 12-3pm we are holding our 2nd Belonging for the year.

The aim of the afternoon is twofold. We hope that it will give you a greater understanding of what we at St Stephen's hold dear; our core convictions, our vision for the future, and some of the history of our church. By giving you a greater understanding, we hope that you will feel a greater part of our community and understand more clearly where you fit into it. We will have lunch and afternoon tea together in the Chapel Hall. You will hear from the staff as well as participating in discussion with each other, and thinking about your role here. If you haven't been we would love to host you. You can RSVP via the connect card.



Meet a Volunteer

Anushiya

What Ministry are you involved in?

Sunday Kids

What you do during the week?

Mum, looking for full-time work who also volunteers at Wayside Chapel and donates Plasma.

How long I have served as part of the Gumnuts team: I have been part of the Gumnuts team since 20 April 2025.

I enjoy forming special bonds with members of the Gumnut team because we have come together for a common purpose – looking after the young people of St Stephen's. I do appreciate how much I have grown spiritually. Serving has also broadened my perspective and has helped me discover some hidden talents and strengths. I also experience appreciation from the parents of the children who attend the Gumnuts program.



What's Coming Up

26 May	Come and See
29 May	Alpha for Seniors
30 May - 1 June	Square One Camp
1 June	BCA Sunday
1 June	Belonging

For more on what's happening this autumn at St Stephen's, visit st-stephens.com.au/autumn

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