



Finding the glory of God



Wk 7

TODAY'S 9:30AM SERVICE

- Welcome
- Songs
- Spotlight
- Vision Spot
- Song
- Bible Readings:
Lev 19:9-18 (p. 118)
& Matt 22:34-40
(p. 990)
- Sermon
- Confession &
Assurance
- Prayers
- Song
- Conclusion

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Sunday 22 June 2025

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

Good morning!

We really are glad you're here and hope you feel warmly welcomed.

We're a church that longs to be [made beautiful, diverse, and large by the gracious work of Christ](#).

That vision shapes the way we gather, pray, sing, and open God's Word together—week in and week out.

Today we're continuing our journey through Leviticus, landing in chapter 19. This ancient book may feel confusing at first but it has great insight and relevance for today! This morning, we are considering how God's people are called to reflect His heart in our treatment of others.

If you're new or just checking things out, we'd love to help you feel at home. Simply scan the QR code and let us know you're here—we'd love to connect with you during the week.



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 29 June. 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 14 September 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 Jill. Simply reach out – she'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

Lord God,
we have sinned against you;
we have done evil in your sight.
We are sorry and repent.
Have mercy on us according to your love.
Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin.
Renew a right spirit within us
and restore us to the joy of your salvation,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

1 John 4:10

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

Everyday Holiness | Leviticus 19:9-18; Matthew 22:36-40

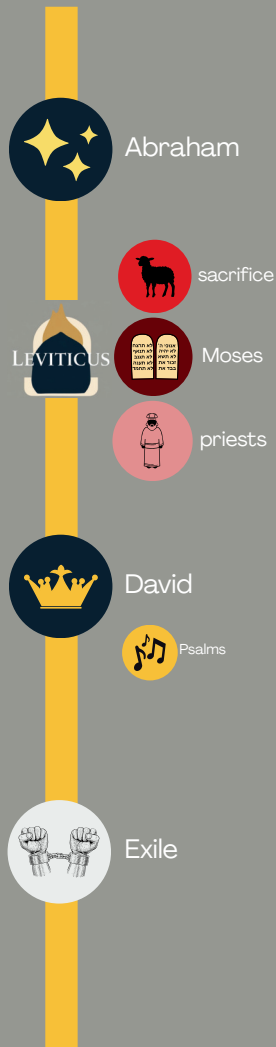
Preacher: Damien Clark

1. Christianity and Moralism

2. What does holiness look like?

3. Drawing near to a holy God

Seeing Jesus in the Old Testament



Gospel and Prayer (GaP) Group Study

Opening Discussion

Think about a non-church friend. What do you think gives them hope, certainty and security in life?

Going deep in God's Word

Read Psalm 16

1. What is David asking God for? Why?

2. How will God preserve him:
a. In life (v. 7-8)?

b. In death (v. 9-11)?

3. How would you label the 'feeling'/'emotion' of this song/psalm? What do you appreciate about having Psalms in the Bible?

Read Acts 13:32-38

4. This is part of Paul's sermon in Antioch. According to Paul, who was the One ultimately able to sing the words of Psalm 16? How?

5. How does Jesus lead us in singing the words of Psalm 16 (ie. Explain how the promises of Psalm 16 can be ours through Jesus?)

Praying big prayers shaped by the gospel

You may want to break into smaller groups to share and pray in light of God's Word. Reflect on the following questions to guide your prayers.

1. What things other than God have you been tempted to seek security, hope, certainty and safety in?
2. How have you been comforted and challenged by Psalm 16:2 "You are my Lord; apart from you I have no good thing."?

Pray also together for our service teams:

Heavenly Father,

We praise You that Your Son came not to be served but to serve and give His life as a ransom for many. We thank you for the hope and security of our resurrection because You did not abandon Jesus to decay and the grave. We pray particularly that we would be a church that serves like Jesus. Encourage those who are feeling weary, guard us from grumbling and bitterness, and we pray that you would raise up more who can serve with us because the harvest is plentiful but the workers are few.

In Jesus' Name we pray, Amen.

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 20:1–6](#)

Tuesday – [Acts 20:7–12](#)

Wednesday – [Acts 20:13–16](#)

Thursday – [Acts 20:17–24](#)

Friday – [Acts 20:25–21:16](#)

Notices

Carpark upgrade in progress

What an encouraging thing to see God growing our church and bringing more people along! Did you know that there are 60,000 people who live within 2km of our church? We want to be a place where many people can come to hear the wonderful news of Jesus as Lord!

One of the areas we want to improve for visitors is our car parking. Our on-site parking is limited for the growing number of people coming to church. Thank you for your patience if you've had to drive around to look for street parking!

You may have noticed that we are currently working on the old tennis courts to turn them into extra car spots. We hope that this will be ready for use next week so that we can keep warmly welcoming visitors and seekers to our church.



SRE Giving

A church grows in diversity when the gospel is shared. For those opportunities to be met, we rely, in part, on the generosity of God's people. One of the ways you can support the gospel going out is through tax deductible giving to Special Religious Education in Government Schools.

If you would like to support this ministry please contact our treasurer before 30 June 2025: nhenderson007@gmail.com

Praying for families

We began this term by praying for the households in our church with kids and youth—and we'd love for you to keep praying! Prayer is powerful and essential in all we do. As Ephesians 3:20 reminds us, God is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine. He is doing great things among us—growing faith, bringing in new families, and opening up opportunities to reach more young people.



Let's keep asking Him to work through us and in us. To find the prayer points, simply scan the QR code and join us in committing these families to God.

Notices

Big Week Update

Friday Kids

This term's 'silent disco' big week was a hit! We had one first time visitor and three other returning non-church kids. Please pray that the gospel will take root in their hearts so they know God as their Saviour.



Half past Six

A week ago, we had a Silent Disco at Half Past Six! It was a fantastic night full of dancing and a chance to explore the question: What is Christianity?

Our youth did an awesome job inviting their friends and one friend came along. Praise God!

Please join us in praying for all those who were invited. We're asking God to provide more opportunities to bring them to Half Past Six and, most importantly, to come to know Jesus.

Eternal impact of Kids and Youth Ministry

Years ago, a church chose to invest deeply in discipling the children in their church with the gospel. 60 years later that group is still loving Jesus and living for Him. Among them are our own beautiful Patsy; a former Archbishop, the creator of Two Ways to Live, and many others who serve Jesus in various ways. We have the same opportunity today—to shape young lives for Christ. “Let the little children come to me...” (Mark 10:14). Let's not miss the chance to invest in what matters forever. Kids and youth ministry has eternal significance.

What's Coming Up

23 June	Come and See
29 June	Newish Morning Tea
22 July	Crafternoon
27 July	Vision Sunday
27 July	Evangelism training

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

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