

## Autumn Term 2009

### Explore The Bible

#### The Life & Works of David

Will Hunter Smart **16 September** 11 Weeks

Study the life of King David, ancestor of Jesus Christ, a man after God's own heart. By looking at both the accounts of his life and the songs he penned, consider his calling, his passion for God and his life story, and understand how this king points to the true King of Israel.

### Explore Compassion

#### Just People

Rachel Elliott **16 September** 6 Weeks

This six-week interactive course from TearFund brings together down-to-earth theology, reflection, inspiration and experience with practical exercises. It will help you grapple with issues of justice and poverty and think practically about how the church can respond effectively as an integral part of our mission. A highlight of the course is a 'day of action' organised by the course participants inspired by what they have been exploring.

### Explore St James

#### Newcomers Course

Will Hunter Smart **7 October** 3 Weeks

A short course aimed at those who want get connected in St James, exploring the values and vision of the church, opportunities to serve and how to get involved with our community through homegroups and pastorates.

### Explore Life

#### Whole Life Discipleship

Andy Brookes and friends **4 November** 5 Weeks

How can we reach the UK? How can we lose the lingering idea that God is interested in some aspects of our lives - church, prayer - but not in others - work, sport, shopping, art? We believe that the answer lies in a radical, but simple, re-focusing of our understanding of mission. The UK will be transformed when we envision and equip each other to make a difference where we are, where we spend most of our time, where we have most of our relationships, where others can see the difference Christ makes in our lives at work, university, with our neighbours, etc. The five evenings will be an opportunity to explore scripture on these issues, and develop ways of putting 'whole life discipleship' into practice.

### Explore Gifts

#### Fit for Purpose

Penelope Swithinbank **11 November** 4 Weeks

We know that God has called and equipped us to serve him, but do we know where and how? Moving from a knowledge of God's general will to his specific purposes and gifting in our life can be hard. This course aims to help us discover and fulfil our purpose in Christ.

## Spring Term 2010

### Explore The Bible

#### Hebrews

Joel Payne & Will Hunter Smart **13 January** 10 weeks

This book by an unknown author to a Jewish audience is a theological goldmine that boils down to one clear message: Don't give up because Jesus is the final answer. Hebrews unveils how the old covenant points to and is fulfilled in Christ and leaves the reader in awe of God's master plan from the beginning of his dealings with the Hebrew people.

### Explore Evangelism

#### Evangelism as a Lifestyle

Kim Swithinbank **13 January** 5 weeks

"Go and make disciples..." Jesus commands his followers to spread the Good News but for most of us, evangelism is a daunting word and actually doing it terrifies us! How do we put this command into practice in our everyday lives here and now in the 21st century? Come and explore with others how we can share our faith and build evangelism into our lifestyles both as individuals and as a church.

### Explore Community

#### Pastoral Care for Everyone by Everyone

Clare Hendry **24 February** 5 weeks

Ever felt out of your depth, uncertain what to say or do, unsure how to support and help your friend, colleague, homegroup or family member? Then this is for you! It provides an opportunity to look at biblical insights into people - how they tick, where problems often stem from, how people can change. There will be time to learn how to be better listeners, ask helpful questions and help people grow through their problems. We will also explore from a biblical and practical perspective such issues as depression, relationship problems and bereavement.

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Will Hunter Smart **24 February** 3 Weeks

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## Summer Term 2010

### Explore The Bible

#### Jeremiah

Kim Swithinbank **21 April** 6 Weeks

Dense, impenetrable and sour to the taste. All accusations levelled at the book of Jeremiah. It's the longest book in the Bible and is packed full of God's words to Israel and the prophet's anguish and struggles of living in a land that doesn't recognise the one true God. Discover the radical lessons from Jeremiah as they apply to our lives today.

### Explore The Bible

#### Bible Overview

Will Hunter Smart **21 April** 5 weeks

An amazing and life-changing book.. or rather sixty-six books! Forty authors, written over nearly 2,000 years, in many different genres, it's a worldwide best-seller and is published in countless translations and languages. It has been sworn by in court, fought over, and quoted in arguments. Clearly, the Bible is no ordinary read. So how do we approach and understand the Bible as a whole? This course is a chance to see the big picture and how the different parts fit together all pointing ultimately to Jesus and salvation. It will also offer tools to read the Bible with confidence, enthusiasm and understanding.

### Explore Spirituality

#### Engaging with God

Penelope Swithinbank **9 June** 5 weeks

Prayer is a vital and exciting part of the Christian life but it's not always the easiest. If you've ever struggled to pray, felt your prayers were going nowhere or would like to explore different ways of engaging with God, then this course is for you. Come and re-vitalise your prayer-life - learn more about what prayer is, how you can go about it and what God can do through it!

## Explore Registration Form

Return this form, either to welcome centre at the back of church, or the church office:

### St James Church

St James Lane  
Muswell Hill  
London N10 3DB

Alternatively you may email  
**explore@st-james.org.uk**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to register for the following courses:

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## Explore Details

Each evening begins with a simple supper (for example pizza and salad, or baked potatoes and fillings). There will be a small charge for this, payable each night.

All courses are held at St James Muswell Hill, are free of charge and are open to anyone. Come on your own, or come as a home group or pastorate.

## Explore Format

7.30pm **Supper**  
8.00pm **Worship**  
8.15pm **Courses**  
9.30pm **Close**



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in order  
**that you may know**  
the hope to which he has called you,  
**the riches of his glorious inheritance**  
in the saints,  
**and his incomparably great power**  
for us who believe  
**Eph 1:18-19**



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