

Word For The Week

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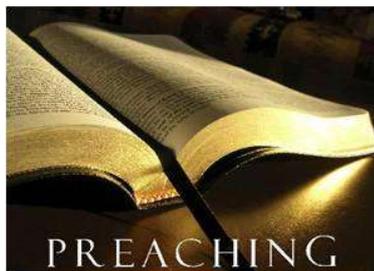
Preaching Dates

07 August – 17 September 2020

Charles Sommerville via Zoom for 6 more weeks on Philipians. For details: drcharles.sommerville@sky.com

Tuesday 11 August 2020

Alistair Mackay (pm) at online evening reflection at Dumfries Baptist Church



“Genesis 1:1-5 No light no life.”

By Hugh Tannock

There can be no life without light, so right at the beginning of creation God said “Let there be light” and what physical light is to our everyday world, spiritual light is to our soul, and both come from God.

He created the sun and the sky and sent His son the light of the world, light gives life and you see that around us in plants trees and animals and Jesus is our light that gives us life not just for today or tomorrow but for eternity.

The light of the inspired word of God gives us life in our souls for without that life our bodies live but our souls are dead in their sin and no real life is within us, we should rejoice that God has caused the light of His Gospel to fall upon us and through the guidance of the Holy Spirit has brought us out of darkness into His marvellous light.

Light also promotes growth look at the grass in your garden after some rain and sunshine, we can only grow in spirituality, grace, purity and strength by the light of the Holy Spirit for without it we are in the dark we cannot see the way ahead we stumble and fall and miss out on God’s blessings on our lives, eyes we may have but we cannot see and are blind to sin, blind to the good in others, blind to the love of God given to us through His son the Lord Jesus Christ.

The light of God and His word gives us a picture of Jesus which we carry round with us in our hearts and wherever we go we can share it with others in a number of ways including preaching, teaching and giving testimony. It gives hope in times of trouble and sorrow which many of us have been through in recent months, but it also gives us endurance to continue faithfully, walking along the path God has created for us overcoming all obstacles until we reach our final rest in Him. A single spark can start a fire, you can be that spark letting your light shine, reflecting it for the sake of others. John in his revelation saw Jesus as a brilliant light and if we are walking in that light it will reflect on others all the brightness which flows from Jesus the light of the world.

Glen in his excellent “your word is truth” series shows us how God reveals His son as the light of the world, therefore we do not have to be in the dark about God.