



MORNING SERVICE | 2ND MAY 2021, 11AM

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Welcome & Notices (Peter Turnbull, Minister)

Song: Jesus is King

Jesus is King and I will extol him,
give him the glory and honour his name.
He reigns on high, enthroned in the heavens,
Word of the Father exalted for us.

We have a hope which is steadfast and certain,
gone through the curtain and touching the throne:
we have a Priest who is there interceding,
pouring his grace on our lives day by day.

We come to him, our Priest and Apostle,
clothed in his glory and bearing his name;
laying our lives with gladness before him;
filled with his Spirit we worship the King.

O Holy One, our hearts now adore you;
thrilled with your goodness we give you our praise.
Angels in light with worship surround you;
Jesus our Saviour, for ever the same

ALL IN (children's address)

Prayer

Reading: Ephesians 1:15-23

Sermon: Ephesians: God's Masterplan pt. 2

Peter Turnbull | Ephesians 1:15-23 | SPACE FOR NOTES

Intro: untold riches...

1. A PRAYER OF THANKS

- the vertical (faith in the Lord Jesus)

- the horizontal (love for God's people)

2. A PRAYER TO KNOW GOD BETTER

A) **know your hope** (v18a)

B) **know your value** (v18b)

C) **know his power** (v19-23)

Song: Sing Psalms 46 v7-11

7 The LORD Almighty is with us
to strengthen and sustain;
For Jacob's God our strong defence
and fortress will remain.

8 Come, see the works the LORD has done—
the judgments he commands,
The desolations he has brought
to pass in many lands.

9 In every land throughout the earth
he makes all conflict cease;
He shatters bow and spear and shield,
and brings his reign of peace.

10 Be still, and know that I am God,
on earth exalted high;
And all the nations of the world
my name will glorify.

11 The LORD Almighty is with us
to strengthen and sustain;
For Jacob's God our strong defence
and fortress will remain.

FOLLOW UP QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

*Follow up questions this week are based around our evening
sermon series in the book of Esther.*

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK?

Sunday 2 May 11am Morning Service (Peter Turnbull)

Sunday 2 May 6pm Evening Service (Peter Turnbull) - joint with
Elgin Free Church

Monday 3 May. 10am Mission & Vision Prayer (ZOOM)

Meeting ID: 895 1469 9363 | Passcode: 123456

Tuesday 4 May. 7pm Pathfinders Youth Group

Wednesday 5 May. 7.30pm Church Family Prayer Meeting (Zoom)

Meeting ID: 861 08256482 | Passcode: 929797

Sunday 9 May 11am Morning Service (Peter Turnbull)

Sunday 9 May 6pm Evening Service (Peter Turnbull) - joint with
Elgin Free Church



EVENING SERVICE | 2ND MAY 2021, 6^{PM}

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Song: Scottish Psalter 100 v1-5

- 1 All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the LORD with cheerful voice.
- 2 Him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell,
Come ye before him and rejoice.
- 3 Know that the LORD is God indeed;
Without our aid he did us make:
We are his flock, he doth us feed,
And for his sheep he doth us take.
- 4 O enter then his gates with praise,
Approach with joy his courts unto:
Praise, laud, and bless his name always,
For it is seemly so to do.
- 5 For why? the LORD our God is good,
His mercy is for ever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood,
And shall from age to age endure.

Prayer

Reading: Esther 3

Sermon: Esther: God's Silent Sovereignty pt.2

Peter Turnbull | Esther 3 | SPACE FOR NOTES

Intro: it's happening today...

...Esther 1-2, a recap...

1. A WORLD OF HOSTILITY

- a history of hostility

A) a murderous hostility

B) A Godless/Superstitious hostility

C) A Deceitful hostility

D) A comprehensive hostility

2. A WORLD OF HOSTILITY... TODAY

- right expectations

- a right concern

FOLLOW UP QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

1. What is the history of hostility between Israel and the Amalekites/Agagites? - how does this help us understand both Haman and Mordecai's actions in this chapter?
2. Read Haman's words to the King in verses 8 and 9. What is true? What is half-true? What is completely untrue? - **AND**.... How does this reflect our position as the people of God today?
3. What do you know of the experiences of Christians who have been persecuted for Christ?
4. What personal experience do you have of being opposed, hated, or marginalised for following Jesus?
5. How does Esther 3 help you understand this opposition in its wider context?