

In the next video Toni Davies introduces the children's material for today, Emily Robertson reads the bible passage which Richard then speaks on.

## BIBLE TALK

by Richard Hopkins

Ephesians 4:1-6

In our closing song we celebrate what God has done for us, His church and commit to maintain our unity.

## SONG

Before the world began, God made a masterplan  
To bring all things together under one head  
That head is Jesus Christ, who died and rose to life  
And now he's seated at the right hand of God

Once we were dead in sin  
Now we are raised with him  
By grace we're saved, through faith  
In Jesus alone  
Part of his body now, united by his power  
Joined with his people all over the world

*We are the church, have you heard?  
He washed us clean with his word  
He chose us to be on his team  
We are more loved than we could dream  
We've got good news, shout it out  
You've got to hear what it's all about  
No-one's too far away to be  
Welcomed into God's family*

Speaking the truth in love to build the body up  
We serve each other using gifts from the King  
We pray for unity so everyone will see  
God's plan in action in his people today

*We are the church, have you heard...*

One Lord, one faith, one God, one Father,  
One body, one Spirit, we are one in Christ!  
One hope, one truth, one cross, one Saviour,  
One mission, one future, we are one in Christ!

*We are the church, have you heard....*

## CLOSING PRAYER

from Rich Adam

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## SERMON NOTES

Ephesians 4:1-6

### 1) Walking worthily means putting ourselves out

### 2) Walking worthily means prioritising unity

Praying

Contributing

Supporting

Including



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For each person in your home, you'll need a copy of this service sheet, a bible, print outs of the children's sheets (if needed) and your computer or tablet connected to Emmanuel's website.

### WELCOME

Watch the video of Rich's welcome.

*As we continue our series on Ephesians, we remind ourselves at what we saw in the 1<sup>st</sup> half of the book of how God has blessed us.*

### SONG

Come praise and glorify our God  
The Father of our Lord  
In Christ He has in heav'nly realms  
His blessings on us poured  
For pure and blameless in His sight  
He destined us to be  
And now we've been adopted through  
His Son eternally

*To the praise of Your glory  
To the praise of Your mercy and grace  
To the praise of Your glory  
You are the God who saves*

Come praise and glorify our God  
Who gives His grace in Christ  
In Him our sins are washed away  
Redeemed through sacrifice  
In Him God has made known to us  
The myst'ry of His will  
That Christ should be the head of all  
His purpose to fulfil

*To the praise of Your glory....*

Come praise and glorify our God  
For we've believed the Word  
And through our faith we have a seal  
The Spirit of the Lord  
The Spirit guarantees our hope

Until redemption's done  
Until we join in endless praise  
To God, the Three in One  
*To the praise of Your glory....*

## BITESIZE

*Today's Bitesize is totally Pointless!*

*Our first reading speaks of what it means to live a life worthy of the gospel of Christ.*

**BIBLE READING** from Philippians 1:27-2:4

*"Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, and not frightened in anything by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God. For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake, engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had and now hear that I still have. So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others."*

*In our next song we encourage one another to live for Christ.*

## SONG

O Church arise and put your armour on;  
hear the call of Christ our captain.  
For now the weak can say that they are strong  
in the strength that God has given.  
With shield of faith and belt of truth,  
we'll stand against the devil's lies;  
an army bold, whose battle-cry is love,  
reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war, to love the captive soul,  
but to rage against the captor;  
and with the sword that makes the wounded whole,  
we will fight with faith and valour.

When faced with trials on every side  
we know the outcome is secure,  
and Christ will have the prize for which he died,  
an inheritance of nations.

Come see the cross, where love and mercy meet  
as the Son of God is stricken;  
then see his foes lie crushed beneath his feet,  
for the conqueror has risen!  
And as the stone is rolled away,  
and Christ emerges from the grave,  
this victory march continues till the day  
every eye and heart shall see Him.

So Spirit come put strength in every stride,  
give grace for every hurdle,  
that we may run with faith to win the prize  
of a servant good and faithful.  
As saints of old still line the way,  
retelling triumphs of His grace,  
we hear their calls, and hunger for the day  
when with Christ we stand in glory

## PRAYERS

led by Josh & Becca Milsom

## CONFESSION

*In Philippians 1 we are told to 'let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ'. We confess that often we do not live in this way.*

Despite our encouragement in Christ  
and comfort from his love,  
we do not love as we should.

**Lord please forgive us,  
and help us to live like Jesus.**

We often act from rivalry and conceit,  
And consider ourselves more important than others.

**Lord please forgive us,  
and help us to live like Jesus.**

We look to our own interests,  
ignoring the interests of others.

**Lord please forgive us,  
and help us to live like Jesus.**

We do not share the mind of Jesus  
in how we live and act.

**Lord please forgive us,  
and help us to live like Jesus.**

Our Lord Jesus humbled himself by being obedient to  
death, even death on the cross.

His death has won full and free forgiveness for all who  
trust in him.

**Thank you Lord Jesus for dying for us. Amen.**

*Before we look at our bible reading this week we remind ourselves how Jesus has saved us and ask that He would speak to us.*

## SONG

Who, O Lord, could save themselves?  
their own soul could heal?  
Our shame was deeper than the sea;  
your grace is deeper still.

*And you alone can rescue,  
you alone can save.  
You alone can lift us from the grave.  
You came down to find us,  
led us out of death:  
to you alone belongs the highest praise.*

You, O Lord, have made a way,  
the great divide you healed,  
for when our hearts were far away,  
your love went further still.  
Yes, your love went further still.

*And you alone can rescue....*

We lift up our eyes, we lift up our eyes:  
You're the giver of life! (repeat)

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Speak, O Lord, as we come to you  
to receive the food of your holy Word.  
Take your truth, plant it deep in us;  
shape and fashion us in your likeness,  
that the light of Christ might be seen today  
in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.  
Speak, O Lord, and fulfil in us  
all your purposes for your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience,  
holy reverence, true humility;  
test our thoughts and our attitudes  
in the radiance of your purity.  
Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see  
your majestic love and authority.  
Words of pow'r that can never fail -  
let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;  
help us grasp the heights of your plans for us.  
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time  
that will echo down through eternity.  
And by grace we'll stand on your promises,  
and by faith we'll walk as you walk with us.  
Speak, O Lord, till your church is built  
and the earth is filled with your glory.