

SMLT Lent Course 2021

Course Book: *Rooted in Love* – ed. Sarah Mullally, 2020, £7.95

Evenings led on Zoom by the Vicar on Wednesdays, 7.30 – 8.30pm, arrivals from 7.15pm.
There will be a trial Zoom session for those unfamiliar on Tuesday 23rd February at 7.15pm.
Group leaders preparation session on Tuesday 23rd February at 8pm.

COURSE OUTLINE

1. 24th February – The Christ we serve
 - a. Reflection 2, p15: If you are the Son of God
 - b. Reflection 5, p26: The likeness of the invisible God
2. 3rd March – Our calling and baptism
 - a. Reflection 9, p45: Follow me
 - b. Reflection 13, p61: Given us new birth
3. 10th March – On being the Body of Christ
 - a. Reflection 17, p79: Many gifts but one Spirit
 - b. Reflection 19, p88: The bond of peace
4. 17th March – Becoming more Christ-like
 - a. Reflection 26, p118: Having the mind of Christ
 - b. Reflection 28, p126: We shall be like him
5. 24th March – Living a Christ-centre life
 - a. Reflection 34, p151: He went off to a solitary place, where he prayed
 - b. Reflection 37, p163: Love your enemies

COURSE ORGANISATION

- Participants need to register for the course, so that the small groups can be organised
- The small groups will be consistent through the course
- Each small group will each have an appointed leader
- Participants may request to be with a friend in the their group
- There will be opportunity in small groups for short discussions on each reflection
- Small group reports will be circulated by email afterwards.

EVENING FORMAT

- Each reflection has a Bible reading, reflective piece, suggestion for action, and a prayer
- Each session will look at two of the eight reflections in each chapter of the book
- Everyone is encouraged particularly to read the reflection and the action in advance and to have a think about them.
- The readings and the prayers will be used during each evening.

EVENING TIMETABLE

- 7.15pm Arrivals, and general chat and welcome
- 7.30pm Opening prayer and then Hellos in small groups
- 7.35pm Session A
(15 mins) Reading and reflection on the text including time for personal and small group reflection.
(15 mins) Vicar's input on session, and small group discussion of Action and Prayer.
- 8.00pm Session B
(15 mins) Reading and reflection on the text including time for personal and small group reflection.
(15 mins) Vicar's input on session, and small group discussion of Action and Prayer.
- 8.30pm Feedback via Zoom chat, commentary by Vicar
- 8.40pm Closing prayers.