

Share it– Divine Encounters & power evangelism Acts 8.4-8; 26-40

Jack Deere writes in *Surprised by the Power of the Spirit*: ' If you take a new convert, who prior to his conversion knew nothing about the history of Christianity or the New Testament, and you lock him in a room with a Bible for a week, he will come out believing that he is a member of a body . . .that consistently experiences miracles and works miracles.' Any thoughts?

1. What does the New Testament tell us about the purpose and effect of signs and wonders?

Look at Mark 16:20; John 3:2; Mark 2:10-11; Luke 11:20; Matthew 14:32-33; John 5:36; Acts 2:22; Acts 8:6; Acts 14:3. (You might like to look at these in 2s and 3s and report back to the group.)

2. Read Acts 8:26-40. In the account of this incident what part does Philip play in the conversion of the Ethiopian? Who else has a part in it and what is that part?

3. If we believe what we have read in these Scriptures how will this affect the ways in which we share the Gospel and the ways in which we pray for other people?

Some books which might help you if you would like to learn more about this subject:

Power Healing by John Wimber & Kevin Springer

Empowered Evangelicals by Rich Nathan & Ken Wilson

Surprised by the Power of the Spirit by Jack Deere

Riding the Third Wave edited by Kevin Springer

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Sunday 13 May

Share it!

*Divine Encounters and power evangelism
Acts 8.4-8; 26-40*

Morning Praise
10.00am St Luke's

Holy Communion
11.00am St James'

Café Service
6.30pm St James'

Love God * Love each other * Love the lost



If you are visiting us for the first time or wish to find out more about us, please fill in one of the WELCOME CARDS (available at the back of church) and hand it to the person who led the service.

This Week

St Luke's Exec Meeting

Mon 14 May 8pm
St Luke's back room

St James' Exec Meeting
Mon 14 May
The Vineyard 8pm

Holy Communion

Wednesday 16 May
St James' 10.30am

Monthly Lunch Club

Wednesday 16 May
In aid of Compassion
The Vineyard 12noon
All welcome

Pennine Care Home

Service & Fellowship
Friday 18 May 2.30pm

Quiz night at St James

Saturday 19th May at 7.30pm, to help fund raise for Jack and Beth's Christian Leadership course fees next year. Musical entertainment and nibbles included! Prize for winning team. Bring your own drinks. A great event to bring your friends to. Tickets £3 per person can be bought from Jack and Beth Ellison 01457 869578 at St James' or Sandie Mann at St Luke's 865000

Coming Up

Sunday 20 May

9.00am Contact the Vineyard
10.00am St Luke's
Holy Communion
11.00am St James'
Morning Praise
6.00pm St James'
Christian Aid – Big Sing
Bring your friends along

A Quiet Morning for the Eve of Pentecost

'Waiting together in one place . . .'
With reflections, images, music & silences for prayer and being still
An opportunity for 'time-out' in the church and nearby park.**Glossop Parish Church; Saturday May 26th from 10am to 12.30pm.**
Refreshments from 9.30am
Also, we there are 'Peace and Quiet Times' on the third Monday of every month in Glossop Parish

Church at 7.30pm. They are times of reflection, poetry, music and silences. The next one is Monday 21st May. The Glossop and District Ministers Fellowship have arranged:

Proximity run by the Eden Network

Transforming Communities from the Inside Out
Salford Quays May 25-26
"For the last 15 years the Eden Network has been participating in this movement; stepping out, having a go, learning lessons. Over this time we've come to see the breadth of ministry that is caught up within the movement: Incarnational Living; Church Planting; Urban Youth Ministry; Missional Community; Urban Church."
If you are interested in going check out the website info@eden-network.org

Ladies' Night

Recently Fusion led a café service that helped us understand more about "Hope for Justice." This organisation helps individuals who have been victims of human trafficking and campaigns to ensure that the relevant laws are effective in combating the problem. To support the work of "Hope for Justice" a Ladies' Night will be

held on Friday 22nd June from 7.30pm to 9.30pm at St James' church.

The evening will be a relaxing night for all who come along with: pamper treatments, craft stalls, music and more. Tickets are £5 which will go to the charity. On the evening there will be a complimentary 10 minute pamper treatment, drink and nibbles. Further details to follow but please put the date in your diary.

To help us raise money, we are hoping to hold a promise auction where people can bid for fantastic and valuable lots such as babysitting, gardening, cake baking, car washing etc. If you have a gift that you think could be part of our auction please send an email to tomandjane@sky.com. We, and Hope for Justice welcome anything big or small.

If you would like to host a stall to showcase products you make and sell on the night please let Jane know on the above email. There is no charge for a stall, but we welcome any donation to the charity.

*Sue Leighton, Emma Morris,
Jane Higginbottom and Fusion*

Christian Aid Week
13 -19 May 2012

Christian Aid Week is coming up! It's all about us doing something to raise money to help poor communities around the world lift themselves out of poverty.

Glossop churches are hosting various fund raising events in Glossop during Christian Aid Week, please support as many of them as you can:

- **Door-to-door house collection:** we need volunteers to deliver and collect envelopes in a street or two near where they live. Envelopes will be ready for volunteers from May 6 onwards.
- **Personal giving in churches:** envelopes will be available on each seat in church on May 13 or May 20 for your own donation.
- **Coffee Morning:** Central Methodist Church, Glossop, Saturday 12 May, 10am. Cake stall, bring and buy sale etc.
- **Afternoon Tea:** Old Glossop Parish Church, Wednesday 16 May.
- **Coffee Morning:** Bradbury House, Glossop, Saturday 19 May, 10am. Cake stall, bric-a-brac sale etc.
- **The Big Sing** : 6 pm Sunday 20th May at St James Church
- Bring your friends and family for a great time with us

For more information about any of the above events contact your Whitfield Parish Christian Aid representatives:
Sheila Humphrey (St Luke's) 853090
Philip Harris (St James') 864602

Tools Required

Can you help? St James' Primary School are in need of some small tools which the young children can use to help out in the garden. E.g. small trowels and spades.

If you can help please bring tools to Church or see Christine Bradbury at St James'

The Diamond Jubilee Big Lunch

St James' and St Luke's churches with Glossop Army Cadet Force, in celebration of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee are hosts to:-

The Diamond Jubilee Big Lunch
Sunday 3 June 2012
at the Army Cadet Field, Fauvel Road, Glossop
from 12.30-3.30pm

There will be a joint worship at 10.30am at St Luke's that morning followed by the planting of a commemorative tree by George Wharmby, Chairman of Derbyshire County Council and Jean Wharmby, Glossop South County Councillor. Following that we will be moving onto the grass area on the Army Cadet Field for a Parish and community picnic. So please put the date in your diary and bring a picnic and come and enjoy the celebrations with: live music, competitions, games, stalls and lots, lots more.

We will be publishing details of the event in the local press and flyers within the local community and schools so hopefully lots of people will come along on the day (Please spread the word). In the event of wet weather we will hold the event inside St Luke's church. If you are able to help in any way or have any suggestions for the day please see Ann Williams (St James') or Sandie Mann (St Luke's)