

8th October 2017

Dates for your diary

Jelly Beans Toddler Group: All are invited to join Jelly Beans 'Buggy Ramble' in aid of BBC Children in Need on Monday October 9th at 10:00am.

Friendship Group: Thursday, October 12th at [2:30pm](#) at Wyevale Garden Centre, Pulborough.

Village Market Bread Stall: Saturdays, October 28th & November 25th

Visit from the Pastoral Team: If anyone would like to receive a visit from the Pastoral Team, please feel free to contact John Watson, Barbara Morgan, Jill Jones, Maureen Watson or Karen Banner or via the Church Office at any time.

Shopping online: Don't forget that you can support PBBC by doing your online shopping through :-
www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/causes/pulborough-brooks-baptist-church/



If you would like to support the ministry of PBBC, there is an offertory box available at the entrance to the hall. If you are a tax payer we can claim 'Gift Aid' on your contribution. This is very easy to do, simply use one of the envelopes provided, or speak to Barbara for more information.



If you would like to know more about our church and what it means to be a member, why don't you pick up one of our 'Get Connected' leaflets. That should tell you all you need to know about becoming a member of PBBC.

Church information:



If you would like to know more about our church or arrange a visit from our Pastor, please complete a form (available from the tea bar) and place it in the offertory box.

Our Pastor, Rev'd Dr. David Howling, can be contacted via the church office.

(Please note that David is not available on Mondays)

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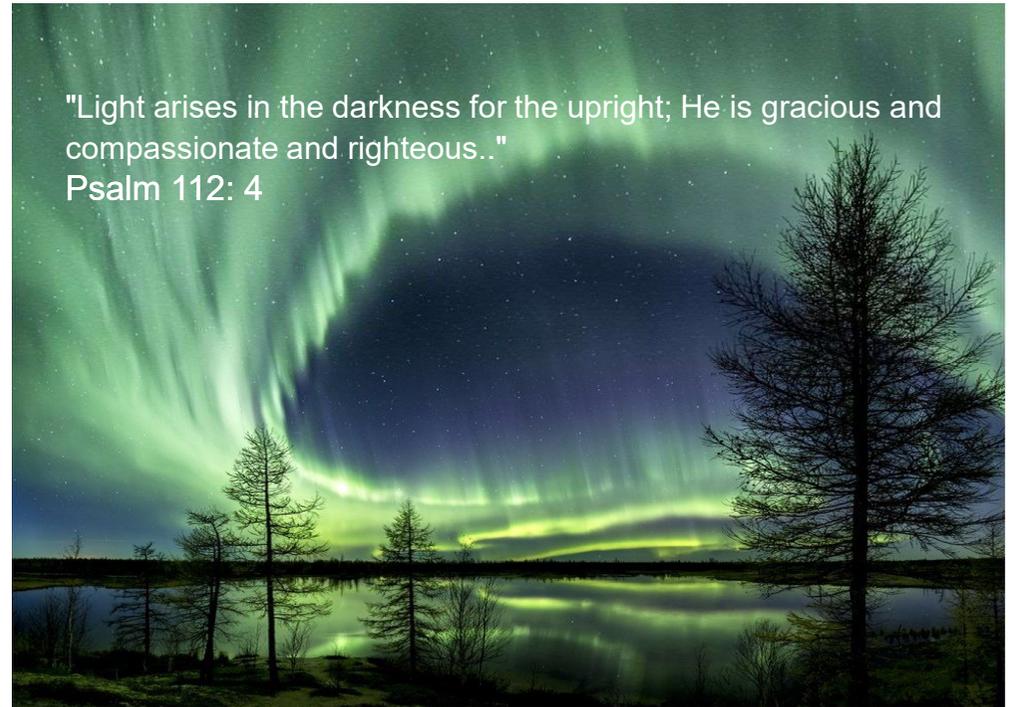
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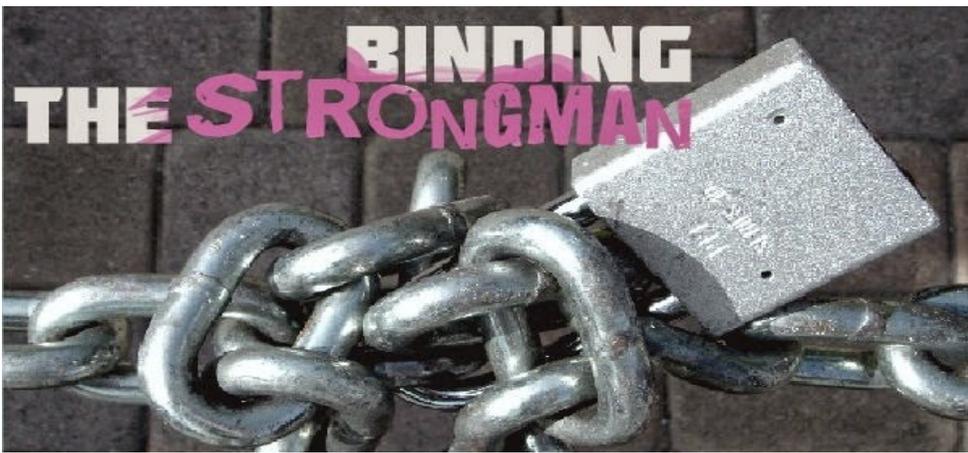


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"Light arises in the darkness for the upright; He is gracious and compassionate and righteous.."
Psalm 112: 4

Welcome!



In our passage this week (Mark 3:20-30), the religious leaders from Jerusalem, no doubt having heard how their colleagues in Capernaum had failed to discredit Jesus, arrived with a plan. Whilst Jesus was dealing with what appeared to be a family argument (which we will come back to next week) these men were going round telling people that He was possessed by an evil spirit. Quite rightly Jesus pointed out how ridiculous this notion was.

To begin with it was totally illogical: *“How can Satan cast out Satan?” he asked. “A kingdom divided by civil war will collapse. Similarly, a family splintered by feuding will fall apart. And if Satan is divided and fights against himself, how can he stand? He would never survive.”* (Mark 3:23-26) You see, Satan is in the business of holding people captive, not setting people free.

Even though the Scriptures don't tell us very much about Satan's origin, they do inform us that he is a fallen angel of considerable power. The New Testament describes him as a *“great enemy”* who *“prowls around like a roaring lion, looking for someone to devour.”* The point being, that we underestimate the power of our enemy at our peril. Your only hope, said Jesus, is for one who is stronger than Satan to enter this world, to bind him up and plunder him of his possessions (Mark 3:27).

And that is exactly what Jesus did. He *“disarmed the powers and authorities of this world and made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.”* (Colossians 2:15).

David

Devoted to Meeting Together

Homegroups

Tuesday & Wednesday Homegroup meetings:
See your homegroup leaders for details.

New Homegroup

An additional Pulborough homegroup will probably start in October, meeting each Thursday at Peter & Jill's at 7:30pm . Please contact Peter & Jill in advance if you would like to attend (01798 874249).



Monday, 9th October - You are invited to join **Jelly Beans** team members, Mums, Dads & carers on a *“Buggy Ramble in aid of BBC Children in Need”*. The 30 minute ramble will leave Pulborough Village Hall soon after 10am. Please consider walking with us, or dropping-in to help serve tea, coffee and doughnuts from 10.30 onwards, or sign-up and sponsor us.

Saturday, 14th October - Garden working party at The Spinney, Pulborough
10am until 4pm . See Dave, Hazel, Colin or Barbara

Sunday, 15th October

Family Worship Service 10:30am, Arun Hall.
Bringing God's Word: David Howling

Join us for pre-service prayer 9.45-10.15am, every Sunday, in the Rother Hall lobby.

Barn Dance

Tickets for the Barn Dance are available from John Harvey or Barbara Morgan.
Saturday, October 28th Pulborough Village Hall from 7:30 pm.

Devoted to Prayer

Lord, my heart is broken but You are near. My spirit is crushed, but You are my rescuer. Your Word is my hope, it revives me and comforts me. My soul faints, but You are the breath of life within me. You are my help, the One who sustains me. I am weak but You are strong. You bless those who mourn. In Jesus' Name, Amen



“Do not boast about tomorrow, for you do not know what a day may bring.” **Proverbs 27:1**
