

An Online Book Club

Starting Thursday the 2nd of March

Join us for a new book club series on Sanctuary First - Temple and Tartan with Jock Stein. Over 5 weeks Jock Stein will lead us on a deep dive into his new book in a poetic exploration of each of the Psalms.

Jock Stein's latest book, "Temple and Tartan" is a new, fulsome, and poetic exploration of each of the Psalms. Clearly rooted in Jock's Scottish heritage, its exposition and themes are global in reach and topic. Join us, together with Jock Stein each Thursday (at 7.30pm) in March (starting March 2nd) for this latest Book Club from Sanctuary First.

In order to participate in this book club, we advise that you purchase the book in advance. Copies of the book can be purchased online (via Sanctus Media) with code HANDSEL15 for £15 post free – note, the three CDs can be included free of charge. **Get the Book**

Sign up via the Sanctuary First website OR email us directly in order to Join!

1 Introduction: Worship in the Temple of the Universe (March 2nd)

Key Psalm and Poem: 19 Art and Science

Read pages 1-11 beforehand if you can

By the close, people should understand how the Psalms embrace the humblest heart and the furthest star.

2 The Magic Carpet: Psalms and Poetry as Enquiry (March 9th)

Key Psalm 27 and Poem 27 Caskie and Cosmos

Read pages 12-21 if you can

By the close, people should begin to understand how people and poets are encouraged to explore the reality of God and the universe God holds in being.

3 Ballads and Bridges: Curating the Journey (March 16th)

Key Psalm 46 and Poem 46 G and H (how David and Robert the Bruce began their careers)

Read pages 59-67 if you can

By the close, people should begin to understand how preachers and poets are encouraged to interpret past and present in the journey of their own lives, and the life of their nation

4 Migration and Identity: Poetry and Prophecy (March 23rd)

Key Psalm 84 and Poem 84 The Highways to Zion

Read pages 108-115 if you can

By the close, people should begin to understand how our identity can survive the upheavals of modern life, with the help of the Psalms and a prophetic understanding of our human journey

5 Weaving the Tartan: Connecting Praise, Prayer, Psalms and Poetry (March 30th)

Key Psalm 111 and Poem 111 Lord of All Being

Read pages 184-189 and anything beyond that you can manage

By the close, people should understand how the Psalms help us to worship God in our daily lives which are part of the tapestry of the universe