

Tuesday 28 November 2023

Matthew 11:27

Leading
Speaking

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William Taylor**

WELCOME TO ST HELEN'S

We are delighted you have joined us today. Please feel free to eat your lunch during the meeting and it would be a great help if you could turn all phones and other communication devices to flight mode.

NOTICES

1. New here? Let us know if we can tell you about what's going on in the City. Email the team: city@st-helens.org.uk

2. Christmas in the City: all are welcome to our carol services over the coming weeks. Bring colleagues to sing, be sung to, enjoy festive refreshments and hear the good news of Christmas at:

- Women's craft event: Monday 4 December, 7pm
- Choral evensong at St Michael's Cornhill: Tuesday 5 December, 6-7pm
- Lunchtime carol services: Tuesday 12 & 19 December
- Lunchtime carol service for insurance workers: Thursday 7 December
- Evening carol service: Wednesday 13 December, 7-8pm

3. City prayer breakfast: join us to pray for the City and our ministry together on Tuesday 5 December, 7.45–8.30am in St Helen's. Hot and cold breakfast available.

4. A guided read-through of the eye-witness evidence: giving a colleague a tour of Jesus' message might be the best gift you can give this Christmas. If you'd like some training/refresher on how to share a gospel 121, please email Wes w.illingsworth@st-helens.org.uk to join on Wednesday 29 November, 1.10–1.55pm.

5. Christmas giving: we're collecting for Central Eurasian Partners (Ukraine) and GrowTH (Tower Hamlets). Bank transfer to St Helen's Church, account no. 15525295, sort code 50-00-00, reference: Christmas. Or use the contactless devices in the building and select: !Christmas giving! Please visit www.shb.org.uk/give for gift aid if applicable.

6. Thanksgiving service for Jeremy Marshall: Thursday 14 December, 4.30pm at St Helen's. All are welcome whether they knew Jeremy or not, whether Christian or not. From Bible-smuggling behind the Iron Curtain, to leading the UK's oldest private bank, to being told in 2015 that he had 18 months to live, we will be giving thanks for Jeremy's life, expressing our love and support to his family, and hearing the gospel hope on which Jeremy built his life. Professor John Lennox will give the address.

RUNNING ORDER

1.10pm Welcome and reading

1.15pm Talk

1.40pm End

Matthew 11:27 ESVUK

²⁷ All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

A rescue package from Heaven

Recognising the rescue package

Matthew 11:27

Introduction

1. An absolute claim

2. A privileged claim

3. An exclusive claim

4. A selective claim

Conclusion

Questions for discussion and reflection:

- What is it about v27 that is likely to offend, and why?
- How does v27 help us to understand the uniqueness of Jesus?
- What is on offer as we come to him?

Next week: Receiving the rescue package, Matthew 11:28–30, William Taylor