

REAL OBEDIENCE - Week 2
Obedience in Church

These notes are to be used in conjunction with the sermon series during the service or with the recording. They are intended to assist also with further individual or group study and will be utilized during a Church reflection at Café Church on the 13th March

Readings

Acts 6: 1-7; Matthew 25: 1-13; & Ephesians 4: 1-16

The Four Marks of a Real Church 1 Peter 2: 4-12

In our series on Real Church we considered the Scriptural definition of a Church found in Peter's letter and also the four Marks of a Church found in Acts: Truth; Worship; Fellowship and Mission. What do you see of these truths in St Aidan's?

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Be Ready (with the Truth) Matthew 25: 1-13

In this parable what are the key points of Christ's teaching? What should the affect be upon the lives of Christians and the life of a Church (think about attitudes, motives and behaviour)?

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Be Organised (in our Worship) Romans 12: 1 & Acts 6: 1-7

Our Worship is a sacrificial lifestyle 24/7. In Acts we see this lifestyle lived out in Church. What are the Priorities that the Apostles set? What is the structure that is put in place? Who plays what roles? Finally how do you see this reflected at St Aidan's (is your knowledge of St Aidan's up to date)?

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Unified (in our Fellowship) Ephesians 4: 1-16

Three Marks of Church come together for a purpose (12b-13). What verses show the Marks of Truth, Worship and Fellowship?

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With regards Fellowship what character and behaviour should Church members exhibit (2, 3, 16 & 14)? What strengths and weaknesses can you see in St Aidan's against this framework?

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We are to grow under the headship of Christ (15-16). What areas do we need to submit to Christ in as individuals and as a Church?

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Future Study

Please note down an aspect of key learning or a point that you want to study further at Café Church on the 13th March 2016:

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