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Liturgical Date: Year B, Pentecost 3, 9th June 2024

Presenter: Rev Prof Bill Loader

Focus Reading: Mark 3:20-35

Message 8 minutes 55 seconds

“Family a Problem”

Discussion Starters

- 1** What caught your interest in this presentation?
- 2** What has been your experience positive and negative of family influence on YOUR faith journey?
- 3** How can YOUR church promote healthy attitudes towards the role of families?
- 4** How best can your church help support healthy family life in YOUR community?

Lectionary readings for the day

1 Samuel 8:4-11 Israel had been a tribal confederacy under charismatic judges. The people ask Samuel to anoint a monarch so they can be like other nations. Samuel tries to discourage them, but they persist.

Psalm 138 In this individual song of thanksgiving, God supports the lowly (those who depend upon God and community) but remains distant from the haughty (those who abuse the other people).

2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1 Paul encourages the Corinthians to faithfulness now so they can live forever in community with God and others in the “house not made with hands” (5:1 NRSV)

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All Age Message: Rev Prof Bill Loader

“Swooping Magpies”

Length 3 minutes 32 seconds

Precis of AAM

The conversation with Magpie reveals that he believed certain things because his descendants had always said “that was the way it was”. Sometimes what we are told is not always the way it really is and we find it hard to change what we may have always done or believed.

Uniting in Worship (Blue Book). Psalm 138: Pages 347-348

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