

May 2011 at Christ Church

Dear friends at Christchurch

*Jesus said, 'If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples.
Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.*

John 8:31-32

While we were away last week, I saw an intriguing road sign: "Please ignore sat nav and follow signposts"! It was in an area where the roads are very narrow and winding, and the sat nav in your car would lead you along what looked like the right route, but which would actually cause chaos. Much better to trust the directions of someone who had actually been there and knew what they were talking about.

And we face just the same problem in life. There are plenty of voices telling us how we should live, but Jesus is the one who actually knows the right way – he has lived this life. Despite all that the world around us might assume, it is by living in line with God's word that we are free to live life as it was meant to be lived.

So this month we continue exploring the Bible to see what it tells us about living as disciples. On Sunday mornings we look at some of the key characteristics of disciples – which will guide us both as individuals and as a church. On Sunday evenings we will be looking at some of the sound bites in society, which people often assume to be true. But as Paul wrote to Timothy, in the last days *they will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths.* (2 Tim.4:4) We need to see these slogans for what they are – myths. And in our home groups we tackle one of the biggest challenges our society poses to Christians – using our money in a godly way.

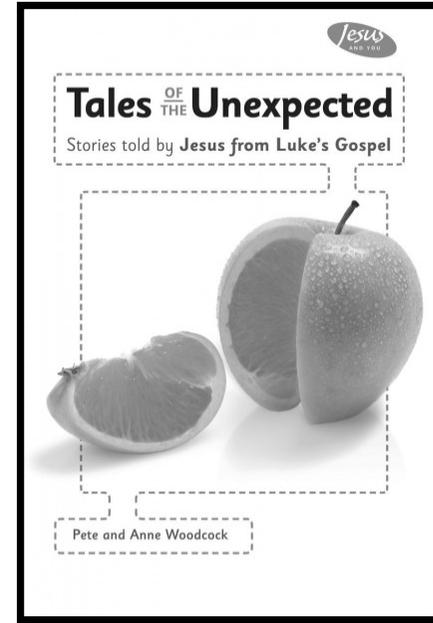
I have a sneaking suspicion that several people who passed that road sign either didn't see it, or else ignored it. Let's make sure we don't do that with the truth that sets us free.

Yours in Christ

Graham Cousins

Regular weekly activities:

Monday	-	9.30 am Play Buddies
	-	1.00 pm TLC
Tuesday	-	9.30 am Play Buddies
	-	3.30 pm Shine
Wednesday	-	1.00 pm Needlecraft Group
	-	5.15 pm Rainbows
Thursday	-	1.00 pm Craft Group
	-	9.45 am Keep Fit
	-	11.00 am Keep Fit
	-	5.30 pm Brownies
	-	7.30 pm Guides
Friday	-	9.15 am Mothers 'n' Others
	-	7.00 pm Evening Bowls



In *Tales of the Unexpected* you'll find four simple but startling stories that Jesus told. You'll find some surprising things about yourself, about God and about life.

This will help you understand who Jesus is, why he came, and the difference he can make for people today. New to it all? This is a great place to start.

Join us for four Tuesdays in June for an informal evening of about an hour in Christ Church Centre.

Trinity with Palm Grove - Come and Join us

An evening of lively and uplifting Gospel & inspirational Music old & new

**Fund raising Gospel Concert to raise funds for:
Circuit Haiti School Building Project
Birkenhead Street Pastors Project**

Concert to be provided by:

THE LIVERPOOL HARMONIC GOSPEL CHOIR

VENUE: Trinity with Palm Grove, 63 Alton Road, Claughton, Birkenhead

Friday 27th May - 7.30 pm - Tickets £10.00

(children under 16 free) (Contact: 652 9512 & 327 4768

Refreshments - FREE

Enjoy the great outdoors!

Bank Holiday Monday

Delamere Forest

30th May 2011

