# **CONNECT WITH CHURCH LIFE**

### Marriage Course Starts 7.30pm Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June

7 Friday evenings, including a meal, to help any couple strengthen their relationship.
Book via the Church Office or speak to
Al & Harriet for more details.

www.relationshipcentral.org/marriage-





### **Church Picnic and BBQ**

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June, Priory Ruins Picnic Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July, Baxter's Field BBQ

Both straight after our Sunday Worship. Save the dates and please feel free to bring family and friends.

More details nearer the time.

### **Diary Dates**

course

Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> May Catalyst Festival (until Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May)

Sun 24<sup>th</sup> May NO 10am SUNDAY WORSHIP due to Catalyst Festival

Sat 30<sup>th</sup> May Men's Cycling Group

Fri 5<sup>th</sup> June The Marriage Course at King's Church

(see above)

Sun 7<sup>th</sup> June 7.30pm Monthly Prayer Evening (drinks from 7.15pm)

Sun 14<sup>th</sup> June 12.30pm Church Picnic at the Priory Ruins

Sat 20<sup>th</sup> June 10.30am - 4pm TSM Mission Day at King's

Speak to Jeff Fletcher to book in or for more info

Sun 26<sup>th</sup> July 12.30pm Church BBQ & Picnic at Baxter's Field

# **CONNECT SHEET**



Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May

# CONNECT WITH THE MESSAGE

The Snake

Genesis 3:1

1) What animal do you least like and why?



2) What do you think was the most important thing Rich said in the message why?

3) In what ways might you have been thinking incorrectly about the devil?

Read Ephesians 4:25-32

4) What ways of 'giving the devil a foothold' are described in this passage?

5) In which of these ways, and in any other ways, might you be allowing the devil a 'foothold'?
6) How could you change in each of these areas?
7) In what ways do Christians either over-emphasise or under-emphasise the devil?
Read 1 John 3:8  8) What does this verse say about people living a 'sinful' life?
9) How did Jesus 'destroy the devil's work'?
Read James 4:7-8  10) In what ways do you need to respond to Jesus' victory over the devil?

## DIGGING DEEPER

#### Read Isaiah 14:3-23

- a) Who does Isaiah say he is prophesying against?
- b) Why do you think many people suggest parts of this prophecy (especially v12-15) are referring to the devil?
- c) What is the main offence committed in v12-15?
- d) How is this similar to the way Adam and Eve sinned in Genesis 3:1-6?
- e) What fate does this prophecy suggest awaits the devil?

#### Read Revelation 12:1-17

- f) How is the devil portrayed in this passage?
- g) How is Jesus featured in this passage?
- h) Who or what might the woman represent?
- i) How is the devil shown to be defeated in this passage?
- j) In what ways does this passage both warn and encourage us?

# **CONNECT IN PRAYER**

#### The New Government

"I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people - for kings and all those in authority..." (1 Tim 2:1-2)

- However you voted and whatever your political views, please pray for David Cameron, the cabinet and all members of parliament.
- Pray for a genuine commitment to serve our people and communities.
- Pray for wisdom and courage to do what is right and govern with integrity.
- Pray for continued freedom in the UK for us to serve God, build his church and reach out with the love and good news of Jesus.

#### Marriage Course (June & July)

- Pray for a great atmosphere on our next Marriage Course and for the couples who will attend.
- Pray everyone would find it both practical and fun; strengthening the marriage of everyone who attends.
- Pray for Al & Harriet leading the course and those helping with catering.