Pastor's Patch



The people of God streamed out of slavery in Egypt, heading into an uncertain future but one which would be marked by freedom. After 40 years their children entered into the Promised Land. Inhabited by others, the Lord promised to go ahead of them and drive out those people leaving God's people to possess the land. Imagine what that was like, to inherit a land, to become familiar with the landscape and the environment, to settle down, build homes, fields and cities.

Here's a song which picks up some of those themes.

Restoration Song

God called forth a people, and we responded to His call 'Rebuild this ancient ruin, restore my city walls.'

He has led us day by day, as we listened to His voice and we were fed on finest wheat, and manna from the skies.

When we started, we were strangers. We hardly knew each other's names. Now we are brothers and sisters, and we will never be the same.

As we built, brick by brick, we discovered the corner stone, and as we let Him mould and fashion us, He built us up in love.

Now we have seen, and we have heard, that the Lord our God is great. For a wilderness has been transformed, into His holy place. (Gerry Tuohy)

And today as God's people we face the same situation. As followers of Jesus we have been led out of slavery to sin and death into a future of love, life and forgiveness. We are called by Jesus to build God's Kingdom in partnership with Him and empowered by God's Holy Spirit. Even the process of serving and building together unites us in Christ. We find a common purpose and a common aim. We listen for his voice. We witness the way He works in and around us and together we marvel at the grace and mercy of the Lord. With unlikely building materials (people) we see the transformation of what He can do. Let us never tire of singing God's praise, of delighting in His purposes, of discovering all that He is doing in this world until the return of Christ who brings a new heaven and a new earth.

As you come to him, the living Stone – rejected by humans but chosen by God and precious to him – you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. (1 Peter ch2 v4-5)



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Emily is a Baptist Ministen, currently serving as the paston of Totnes United Free Chunch. Initially God called Emily to youth ministry, but over recent years this has broadened to include all ages. Emily loves using creative ways to share the Gospel and is most at home with God when by the sea.

To book, or for further details please email kybtorquay@gmail.com or tel Mary on 01803 329526 As well as teaching from Emily there will be opportunity for quiet reflection, craft, meeting others, prayer and relaxing together. Please bring a packed lunch.



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