



# Cannock Christadelphians Newsletter

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## What we believe concerning...

... the devil. Death is God's punishment for sin, and sin is disobedience to His commandments. Jesus himself declared that **"out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies."**<sup>a</sup> These are all contrary to God's commandments, and are therefore sins. God told Jeremiah **"the heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked...I, the LORD, search the heart...to give every man according to his ways."**<sup>b</sup> 'The devil' is merely a personification of sin, and not some supernatural being. Sometimes we read of a 'satan' opposing God's will - but again, this is not a separate person, but anyone and anything that opposes God. We read in Chronicles that **"Satan stood up against Israel, and moved David to number Israel."**<sup>c</sup> But the record of the same occasion in Samuel states that **"the anger of the LORD was aroused against Israel, and He moved David against them to say, Go, number Israel and Judah."**<sup>d</sup>

## Who they were...

Meet Adam. Adam was the first human that God created. His wife Eve was created from one of his ribs. He lived in the Garden of Eden until he disobeyed God and had to move out. He and Eve had lots of sons and daughters but the only three we know anything about are Cain, Abel and Seth. Adam lived to be 930 years old! One of Adam's jobs was to name all the animals God created; **"out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to Adam to see what he would call them. And whatever Adam called each living creature, that was its name."**<sup>e</sup>

## Did you know?

People often comment that things happening in the news today are *signs of the times*. Did you know that this phrase was coined by Jesus himself? He used it in a conversation with the religious leaders of his day, **"Hypocrites! You know how to discern the face of the sky, but you cannot discern the signs of the times."**<sup>f</sup> Let's make sure we're not hypocrites too and get ourselves ready for his imminent return to this earth.

<sup>a</sup> Matthew 15 v 19

<sup>b</sup> Jeremiah 17 v 9-10

<sup>c</sup> I Chronicles 21 v 1

<sup>d</sup> II Samuel 24 v 1

<sup>e</sup> Genesis 2 v 19

<sup>f</sup> Matthew 16 v 3

## Do you have preschool children to entertain?

Then why not join us at our fortnightly Mums and Tots group? We meet every other Monday (see upcoming events column for dates) between 10am and 2pm. We all bring our own picnic lunch and drinks are provided. The children enjoy spending time together, doing crafts, listening to Bible stories and singing songs. The mums enjoy chatting in a relaxed and sometimes chaotic atmosphere! Please contact us via our website for more information. We look forward to seeing you!



## UPCOMING EVENTS

You're welcome at any of the following

- Friday 12th Sept 7pm - Youth Group - **Pizza & ping-pong.**
- Sunday 14th Sept 6pm - Bible time - **Bible truth about human nature.**
- Monday 15th Sept 10am - Mums and Tots
- Friday 19th Sept 5pm - Junior Youth Group - **Biscuit decorating.**
- Sunday 21st Sept 6pm - Bible time - **What is truth?**
- Friday 26th Sept 7pm - Youth Group - **Unihoc.**
- Sunday 28th Sept 6pm - Bible time
- Monday 29th Sept 10am - Mums and Tots
- Friday 3rd Oct 5pm - Junior Youth Group - **Paper making**
- Sunday 5th Oct 2:30pm - Bible time - **A time for peace**

