

# PROGRAM



## FRIDAY

6:00pm *ff* Arrive, get settled, supper, free time

## SATURDAY

8:00am Breakfast

9:00am **SESSION 1**

10:30am Morning Tea

11:00am **SESSION 2**

1:00pm Lunch

2:00pm *ff* **Free Time**  
(optional activities incl. bushwalk, netball, café visit, nerf war)

3:00pm Afternoon Tea (in the main meeting room)

6:00pm Dinner

7:00pm *ff* **Free Time**  
(optional activities incl. World Cup soccer, board games, craft, kids' movie, gourmet supper)

## SUNDAY

8:00am Breakfast & Room Pack-Up

9:15am **SESSION 3**

10:45am Morning Tea

11:15am **SESSION 4**

1:00pm Lunch

1:45pm **SESSION 5**

2:45pm Close

**ESCAPE '18**

**Fully Alive** **BECOMING THE PEOPLE GOD WANTS US TO BE**

**SPEAKER: Barton Priebe**

**FRIDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> – SUNDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2018**

**STANWELL TOPS**

# Discussion Groups

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# Talk 1

## “Free From The Past”

### John 21:1–19

#### Introduction: The Sin that Haunts You

“Verwer’s burden in that conference was the tragic number of young people...who at one point in their lives dreamed of radical obedience to Jesus and were joyfully willing to lay down their lives and sacrifice anything to make Jesus known among the nations, but then faded away into useless, American prosperity because of a gnawing sense of unworthiness and guilt over sexual failure that gradually gave way to spiritual powerlessness and the dead-end dream of middle class security and comfort.” (John Piper)

#### I. Why Peter went back to fishing

John 21:1–3

- Because they have no \_\_\_\_\_ they return to that which is \_\_\_\_\_.

##### a. Peter’s denial in the courtyard

##### b. Peter’s past keeps him from the future

- The others may have deserted Jesus, but Peter had \_\_\_\_\_ Him.

#### c. Jesus planned this location

Luke 5:1–11

- Why Galilee?

#### 2. The Charcoal Fire

John 21:4–14

John 18:17–18

- Jesus’ Three Questions

#### 3. Peter’s Restoration

#### 4. Application

- What is your charcoal fire?
- What sins have made you feel disqualified from really serving Jesus?

## Talk 2

# “Having Your Identity In The Right Place”

### Ephesians 1:3-6

#### Introduction:

The key to growing as a Christian is to realize you're \_\_\_\_\_ than you think.

#### A. Behold the Riches of Adoption

1. The Father planned his universe \_\_\_\_\_ creating it.
2. The Father had a \_\_\_\_\_ for his plan.
3. The Father's plan is accomplished through \_\_\_\_\_, particularly through his \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The Father's plan was to adopt a people whom he would \_\_\_\_\_ for himself.

J.I. Packer writes this: “Were I asked to focus the New Testament message in three words, my proposal would be ‘adoption through propitiation’, and I do not expect ever to meet a richer or more pregnant summary of the gospel than that.”

#### B. Apply the Riches of Adoption

**Declaration #1:** I am \_\_\_\_\_ (so I don't have to achieve in order to be Somebody).

Adoption is not something that is \_\_\_\_\_.

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**Declaration #2:** I am \_\_\_\_\_ (so I don't need to expect others to fulfill my deepest need for love).

“If you enter this world knowing you are loved and you leave this world knowing the same, then everything that happens in between can be dealt with.” (Michael Jackson)

## Discussion Groups (Session 2)

# Questions for Reflection

1. How did you find Barton's talks today?
2. Did you have any unanswered questions about John 21 and Barton's first talk?
3. In the first talk on John 21, what particularly struck you?

4. Did you have any unanswered questions about Ephesians 1 and Barton's second talk?
5. In the second talk on Ephesians 1, what particularly struck you?
6. If someone you know who's not a Christian asks you on Monday about the talks from the Escape weekend, what do you think you could say about either the power of forgiveness, or about identity which might arrest their attention?
7. Spend some time praying thankfully about the things we've reflected on this morning.



## Discussion Groups (Session 4) Questions for Reflection

1. Did you have any unanswered questions about 1 Corinthians 15 and Barton's third talk?
2. What particularly struck you from Barton's talk this morning?
3. Was there anything that particularly struck you from the Q & A with Barton?

4. How have the three talks built on each other for you this weekend?
5. What's one significant thing in particular that you're going to take away with you from this weekend?
6. Is there something by way of personal application from this weekend that we could pray for you about?
7. Spend some time praying for each other, with thanks to God for how he's spoken to us this weekend.

## Free Time Activities

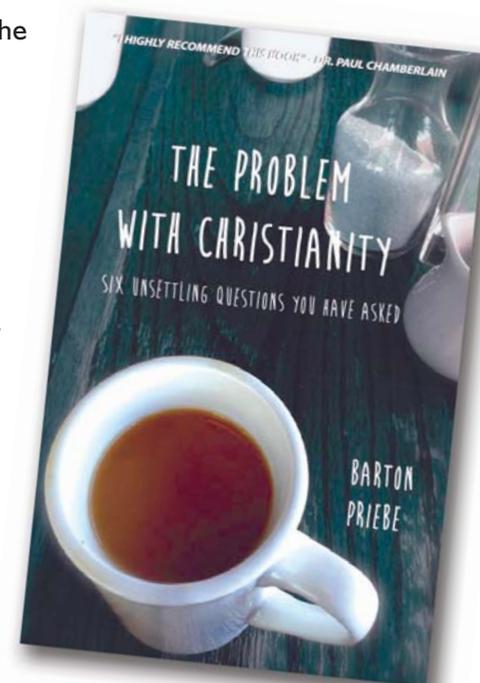
### The Problem With Christianity: Six Unsettling Questions You Have Asked BY *BARTON PRIEBE*

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People complete this sentence in many different ways.

This book interacts with six of the most common problems people have with Christianity including:

- 1) Homosexuality & God:  
why does God seem to be against gay people?
- 2) Miracles & Science:  
how can I believe in miracles in an age of science?
- 3) Exclusivity & Intolerance:  
how can there possibly be only one way to God?
- 4) God & Evil:  
if God is good, why is there so much evil in the world?



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