At Home Zoom group

Each Thursday evening there's an informal discussion group using Zoom technology to gettogether and our discussion has as its a focus a part of the Bible. It started during 'lockdown' as we thought about how to 'be church' without a church building or the possibility of meeting up in person.

We meet up by Zoom on Thursday at 7:00pm sharp. It's just for 40 minutes - after which we get cut-off!

If you want to join in contact Gordon Temple: 07990 887635 - gordon@gordontemple.com

Series 2: Jesus on living

The focus for our second series of virtual get-togethers is 'The Sermon on the Mount'. It is longest recorded address made by Jesus. The transcript we have of it fills three whole chapters of Matthew's Gospel (Chapter 5, 6 and 7), save for a short introduction.

Jesus is a crowd puller and in this hillside rural setting he would have been addressing ordinary people rather than the city elite of rulers and scholars with whom he often clashed.

The 'Sermon' is packed with advice for living and living well. Many of the sentences will be familiar to us. Some have found their way into our everyday language. This has perhaps robbed Jesus' words of their initial impact.

I have a rather tatty edition of a the Sermon on the Mount book by John Stott, one of the 20th Century's best known preachers (and Rector of All Souls, Langham Place for many years). It bears the title *Christian counter-culture*. So there's likely to be something to talk-about!

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The Bible speaks today

Counter-Culture John R W Stott

The message of the Sermon on the Mount