

Weekly Rhythm

Exploring Scripture

Joining our stories to the stories of God's people

Sunday 2 November – All Saints Sunday

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[Revelation 7:9-17](#). *John observes, inquires about, and reports on "the heavenly liturgy," a scene of perpetual worship by the saints, the angels and the heavenly creatures before the Divine Throne.*

This great multitude of saint comes from every nation, tribe, peoples, and languages (see also Revelation: 5:9, 13:7, 14:6.) The point of unity is the slain Lamb of God. All the saints find their life in the lamb. As we prepare for All Saints Sunday we remember where the life of the saints comes from.

Go further:

What can we learn from the way the saints find their source and centre for life in the lamb?

What can you do that will move you in that direction?

[Psalm 34](#). *A psalm that thanks the Lords and rejoicing in him as the source of life for the saints. He will bring us through all things.*

[John 3:1-3](#). Again we see that the source of purity (the God life we are called to) is only through Christ. Our new lives are shaped by Christ.

Go further:

How is Christ shaping your life?

How can you co-operate with Christ in this work of transformation?

[Matthew 5:1-12](#). *"Jesus teaches how God's kingdom is reordering the life of the world. God is actively blessing those who live this way. Here is the heart of Wesley's understanding of the possibility of all Christians becoming saints; or, as he would put it, allowing "sanctifying grace" to complete its work in us. Sainthood is not something reserved for a special few, but available to all who let God's grace align their lives with what God is already blessing." (gbod.org)*

Go further:

As you read through this passage see how it calls you to a completely different way of life. What does this look like for you?