The Rock

"The LORD is my rock" — Psalm 18:2

01 FROM THE PASTOR

Isaiah 55 shows how God's word can restore us.

God gives us what we need, for free (v. 1). The "*thirsty*" are people who know they need help but can't pay for it. God invites them to come and receive "*wine and milk*." He gives more than enough to feed and strengthen them. It's free to us, but it still cost something. Jesus paid for it with His own blood (1 Pet. 1:18–19).

Don't waste your life on what doesn't satisfy (vv. 2–3). Why spend time and energy on things that can't feed and satisfy us? Jesus is the bread of life (John 6). God tells us to listen carefully and to delight in what is good (see Psalm 1; 119:14, 111). The goal is simple: "*that you may live*." That is the gospel.

God keeps His promises (vv. 3–5). God promised David a lasting kingdom. He kept that promise through Jesus, who rose from the dead and now reigns (Acts 13:34). We share in that kingdom and in the hope of resurrection. The promise wasn't only for Israel. It reaches all nations.

So, seek Him now (v. 6). "*Seek the Lord while He may be found*."

God's word always has power, but it only helps us if we turn to Him.

Choose God's way over your own (vv. 7–9). God tells us to give up our own ways and thoughts and follow His. The question is always whether something comes from God or from people (Matt. 21:23–27). This matters most with forgiveness. We may have our own ideas about mercy, but God forgives generously, and He does it on His terms, not ours.

We only know God's thoughts because He has told us (1 Cor. 2:10–13). We can't guess what God thinks. His word is where He shows us. His thoughts are far beyond ours (Eph. 3:20), so we shouldn't try to limit Him or play down what His word says. It's amazing that God speaks to us at all. On top of that, He offers to bring us back to Him through His Son's death.

God's word always does what He sends it to do (v. 11). When people reject it, the problem is in their hearts, not in the message. We may not understand how God works things out, but we can trust Him with the results.

May God bless us as we seek to understand His will.

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Bible Readings

DAY	Morning	Evening
Monday	Acts 16:6-end	Isaiah 29 • Luke 2:22-end
Tuesday	Acts 17:1-15	Isaiah 30 • Luke 3:1-22
Wednesday	Acts 17:16-end	Isaiah 31 • Luke 3:23-end
Thursday	Acts 18:1-23	Isaiah 32 • Luke 4:1-30
Friday	Acts 18:24-19:7	Isaiah 33 • Luke 4:31-end
Saturday	Acts 19:8-20	Isaiah 34 • Luke 5:1-16
Sunday	Acts 19:21-end	Isaiah 35 • Luke 5:17-end

Would you help?

If you consider the ***English Church Benidorm*** your church family, would you kindly fill in one of the welcome cards so the pastor has your details?

Next year, we hope to start in the following ministry areas: Pastoral Care, Prayer, Preaching, Events, and Youth. Training will be provided for the members of each ministry. They will work alongside the Hospitality and Welcome Team, the Worship Team, the Audiovisual Team, the Children's Team, and the Communication Team.

Together, we are God's family united for God's glory.

What's On

DAY	TIME	WHAT & WHERE
Sunday	**11 am**	Sunday Service
Monday/Tuesday		One-to-One Discipleship
Wednesday	**11 am**	The Gathering
Thursday	**4 pm**	Street Evangelism
Friday	**11 am**	Communion Service

Coming Soon at the English Church

DAY	TIME	WHAT & WHERE
Sunday 29th Nov	After church	Open Conversation with the Pastor
Friday 4th Dec	Evening	Explore - A Time of Fellowship & Food for Men
Sunday 6th Dec	11 am	Bible Sunday with Holy Communion
Sunday 13th Dec	11 am 4:30 pm	Sunday Service Carol Service
Sunday 20th Dec	11 am	All Age Nativity Service
Wed 23rd Dec	4:30 pm	Christingle Service
Friday 25th Dec	11 am	Christmas Service
Sunday 27th Dec	11 am	Sunday Service
Wed 30th Dec	---	Sabbath – No Gathering
Friday 1st January	---	Sabbath – No Communion Service