#### Indistinct

What happens when God's people live in a godless world? What happens when God's people then become indistinct from everyone else in that world?

These are the big questions addressed by Hosea, an Old Testament prophet living in 8<sup>th</sup> century B.C. and yet those questions could and should be asked of God's people today too.

As we begin 2017 we will be looking at this prophesy and allowing it to challenge us as we seek to live distinctively for God today as well discovering how it comforts us as we see afresh who God really is.

During our services on the first Sunday of every month we will continue to look at the armour of God as described in Ephesians chapter six and we will be preparing for Easter as our new Life Explored course reaches its conclusion on Maundy Thursday – more details on the website.

### LIFE **EXPLORED**

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#### Hosea: When God's people no longer look like God's people

Spring 2017

#### St. Andrew's Church Alwalton

Sunday Mornings at 10.30am St. Michael's Chesterton Sunday Mornings at 9.00am or Sunday Evening at 5pm

#### January

01 The right shoes <u>Ephesians 6:10-18</u> & John 20:19-29 9.00am Chesterton HC. 10.30am Alwalton FS

08 A worry free New Year Psalm 139:1-18 & Matthew 6:25-34 9.00am Chesterton HC. 10.30am Alwalton HC

INDISTINCT: HOSEA 15 One way love Hosea 1:1-11 & Psalm 44:1-8 10.30am Alwalton MS. 5.00pm Chesterton EP

22 On probation Hosea 3:1-5 & Matthew 22:34-40 9.00am Chesterton MP. 10.30am Alwalton HC

29 A society in freefall Hosea 4:1-19 & Matthew 10:16-23 9.00am Chesterton HC. 10.30am Alwalton PS

#### February

05 The shield of faith <u>Ephesians 6:10-18</u> & Mark 6: 1-6 9.00am Chesterton HC. 10.30am Alwalton FS

12 Just us or justice? Hosea 5:1-14 & John 5:22-27 Chesterton HC. 10.30am Alwalton HC

19 Only a fool tries to fool God Hosea 5:15-6:11 & Isaiah 1:10-13 10.30am Alwalton MS. 5.00pm Chesterton EP

26 You reap what you sow Hosea 8:1-14 & Mark 11:15-17 9.00am Chesterton MP. 10.30am Alwalton HC

#### March

01 7.30pm Alwalton Ash Wednesday Service Hosea 7:13b-16a & Matthew 4:1-11

05 The helmet of salvation <u>Ephesians 6:10-18</u> & John 10:1-18 9.00am Chesterton HC. 10.30am Alwalton FS

12 Rejected! Hosea 9:1, 15-17 & Matthew 7:21-23 9.00am Chesterton HC. 10.30am Alwalton HC

19 Despair 'V' righteousness Hosea 10:5-8, 12 & James 3:13-18 10.30am Alwalton MS. 5.00pm Chesterton EP

26 Mothering Sunday The love of the Father Hosea 11:1-4, 8-11 & Luke 15:11-31 9.00am Chesterton MP. 10.30am Alwalton HC

#### April

02 The sword of the Spirit <u>Ephesians 6:10-18</u> & Mark 1:1-13 9.00am Chesterton HC. 10.30am Alwalton FS

09 Palm Sunday Is the saviour acknowledged? Hosea 13:4-11 & John 12:12-16 9.00am Chesterton HC. 10.30am Alwalton HC

Holy Week at St. Andrew's Monday to Wednesday 7.30pm

13 Maundy Thursday 7.30pm at St. Andrew's The joyful God

14 Good Friday The true cost of sin Hosea 13:12-13 & John 19:16-42 9.00am Alwalton 12.00pm Three Hours at the Cross at St. Andrew's

16 Easter Day Forgiveness Hosea 14:1-9 & John 20:1-18 9.00am Chesterton HC. 10.30am Alwalton HC

23 (un)known Acts 17:16-23 & John 4:19-24 9.00am Chesterton MP. 10.30am Alwalton HC

30 Understanding the Resurrection<u>Acts 17:24</u> & John 20:19-239.00am Chesterton HC. 10.30am Alwalton PS

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#### Key

HC Holy Communion FS Family Service FC Family Communion FC Family Communion Underlined readings on the first and fifth of the month are the readings used at Alwalton

#### Our Verse for the Year 2017

"For in the gospel the righteousness of God is revealed – a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: 'The righteous will live by faith.'." Romans 1:17 (NIV)

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