

THE heart of St Paul's

5. The great promise

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'Mark Zuckerberg promises...'

1. God's promise, God's purpose

Back story

They said to each other, "Come, let's make bricks and bake them thoroughly." They used brick instead of stone, and tar for mortar. Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, with a tower that reaches to the heavens, so that we may make a name for ourselves; otherwise we will be scattered over the face of the whole earth." (Gen 11:3-4)

Bringing back blessing

2. 'Promises made, promises kept'

A gap between promise and reality

Jesus: the promise keeper and the promise kept

'Understand, then, that those who have faith are children of Abraham. Scripture foresaw that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, and announced the gospel in advance to Abraham: "All nations will be blessed through you." So those who rely on faith are blessed along with Abraham, the man of faith.' (Gal 3:7-9)

3. Our part in God's purpose

When the problem becomes the solution

Taking our place in faith

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