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Church of Scotland

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Reflections at the Quay BBC SCOTLAND TV

11.30am on 7th March 2021

Reflections at the Quay continues with Canon Michael McMahon, St Conval, Linwood and Fr Stephen Reilly, University of Glasgow. Music is by Siskin Green.

(Available on iPlayer soon after the broadcast)

11am Meadowbank Zoom Service ask Russell for phone or internet link



This week we look at Jesus' anger as he confronts the traders in the Temple.

We look at the marketplaces in our own time and how they relate to the ways God has made clear

**To those who sold doves he said,
"Get these out of here! Stop turning my Father's
house into a market!" John 2 v14**

our Lent Study Group by Zoom

If you'd like to take part in some Lent Discussion Groups based on Bible Society emails, please sign up to receive them (for free!)

[The Lent Encounter - Bible Society](#)

Please then contact Russell to get the Zoom link to join the group which is meeting 7-8pm on Monday evenings



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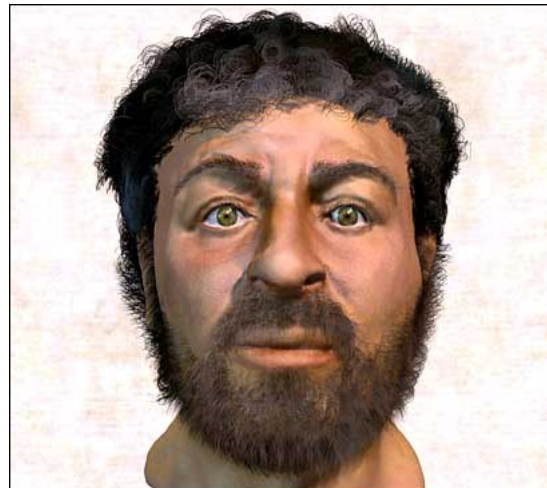
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Dear friends

What did Jesus look like?

The Gospel writers give us the amazing drama of Jesus' life but absolutely no idea of what he looked like. All through history people have shown Jesus to be set in their own time and culture

Last week we featured a life-sized sculpture from the year 2000 which showed A MAN WALKING.

This week's picture is of a reconstruction by some scientists working for a BBC special. They measured several skulls of middle aged Jewish men from Roman period Palestine, and put together a composite of what the average man might have looked like at that time.

The reconstruction helps me rethink ideas given by Western European classical art and 20thc movies.

My wider church work?

As part of our Vows of Ordination Church of Scotland ministers make commitment to be involved in the wider church and not just in the local parish.

I thought it might be interesting to set out how this works out for me as I very much appreciate your prayers supporting me in all I do. On page TWO I set out some of these areas of my work.

I very much appreciate that many of you are involved in great work beyond the local church and I assure you of my appreciation and my prayers.

**With grace and
peace in Jesus**

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Most weeks I will be involved in some work for

PLACE FOR HOPE

where I might be involved with local congregations to help work through situations of conflict or to help people have a difficult conversation.

I am also involved in offering training courses on change and conflict, bullying and harassment.

transforming conflict • embracing difference



Place for Hope accompanies and equips people and faith communities so that all might reach their potential to be peacemakers who navigate conflict well.

My involvement with Place for Hope started 11 years ago when attending a major conference at Aviemore on conflict in the church. There was no doubt that conflict in the church was causing very real distress. As a Place for Hope volunteer it has been a huge privilege to help people work through issues in a constructive way.



Russell's wider work



I am involved as Interim Moderator at North Leith Parish Church supporting the congregation

- following their minister moving in 2019 to another charge in Edinburgh
- Supporting the Session and the Locum Minister
- Involved with 'One Church for Leith' where the four Leith congregations are looking to form a single parish
- thinking about the future joint mission ideas in Leith with the challenge of making good contact with the younger generation.

For over 25 years I have been involved as a member of the Scottish Storytelling Forum with the Netherbow Centre on The Royal Mile. It has been a real pleasure to see the growing number of people involved in storytelling sharing so many good stories.



Thanks received

We appreciate the kind gift of £34 from Meadowbank Church to the Barnabas Fund to help Christians who are suffering for the in faith in different parts of the world



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