

DEAR Friends,

Last month I wrote about the very successful Lent Course we had at Langstone Methodist Church this year, and I am delighted to share with you that after a month's break or so to give me time to prepare, we are going to continue to meet fortnightly for study and prayer.

First we are going to spend a few weeks exploring what the Bible has to say about angels, touch on the human kind of angels, and then after that we shall embark on what will probably be a longish journey through the Book of Acts, the early Church in action as detailed by Luke.

I have always wondered why a movie blockbuster has never – to my knowledge anyway – been made of this fabulous Book, so perhaps I ought to get in touch with Steven Spielberg to help me make it? Probably not.

However, I cannot wait to get started with my friends at Langstone. For when you think about it, in Acts we have everything from Paul being blinded on the road

to Damascus, shipwrecked in Malta, persecuted, beaten and imprisoned, and we have Stephen preaching one of the greatest sermons ever before being stoned to death, and so much more. Plenty of scope for drama and “excitement”, even for the general public of today, with martyrs en masse, and each and every one persevering and ultimately conquering, even in death, for their faith in Jesus.

Every Easter our broadcasters have the decency to show at least one big Biblical blockbuster, and this year – again – it was King of Kings. However, we also have a three part series about the Gospel writer John which I shall follow with interest.

This month's “thought” is really a thank-you to our broadcasters for at least occasionally giving consideration to those who profess and live out their Christian faith.

We are quick enough to moan when there is nothing, so let us give praise every time there is.

Now, how do I best get hold of Steven Spielberg?

Thought for the week



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