

Notices:

Hey wonderful small group leaders, here are a few notices to share with your group!

March's Encounter Night // The first meeting will be on March 25th at 7.30pm. There won't be an Encounter Night this month, although we do have a prayer night on Sunday 26th February at 7.30pm, both at CC site and online.

Intercessory Prayer promo // If you have a something you are struggling with at home, at work or relationally, and would really appreciate a bit of extra prayer support, you can let them know via Jo Ramdas-Harsia by emailing her at jorh@biriminghamvineyard.com

The Clash of Kingdoms – Demonstrations of Kingdom Power

Date: Sunday 19th February 2023

Speaker: Ruth Page & Eleanor Masters

Key Verses: Matthew 9:18-34

Talk Summary:

• Jesus encounters and heals four sets of people in this passage, reaching out and touching people who would have been considered 'untouchable' or excluded from the Jewish community. We need to have hearts that will include people who are not like us as God's kingdom family grows.

• He went out to them, meeting their needs outside the synagogue. We too need to take barriers away and make it easy for people to encounter Jesus.

• Jesus was willing to stop for a leader and for a woman who was insignificant and healed all kinds of diseases. We need to have eyes to see the hidden hurts and value every touch from Jesus.

• Jesus met impossible needs. Impossible situations can be hard but also help us jump into the arms of Jesus and discover his limitless love and power.

• Each of the people stepped out with a risk of faith. We need to do the same today, and help people see who Jesus is more and more.

Discussion Questions (choose some which are most relevant your group)

- 1. Who are some of the people that would be challenging for you to include in our church community? How can you reach out to them?
- 2. Where can you allow the Holy Spirit more space to lead and interrupt your everyday life?
- 3. Where do you need Jesus to give you more faith?

Worship

Small group Worship & Prayer resources can be found at bvc.so/sgworship