

# Melbourne Community Church (MCC)

Sunday Service — March 17, 2024

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- Imitate those leaders who have died in faith, like those in [Hebrews 11](#)— the Hall of Faith.
  - ◇ “Take my yoke upon you and learn of me ...” ([Matthew 11:29](#))
  - ◇ “Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ.” ([1 Corinthians 11:1](#))
  - ◇ “Join together in following my example ... you have us as a model, keeping your eyes on those who live as we do.” ([Philippians 3:17](#))
  - ◇ “... [Be] examples to the flock.” ([1 Peter 5:3](#))
- Christ is the same objective of our faith and its goal:
  - ◇ The faith of the past anticipating Christ
  - ◇ We in the present age of the resurrection of Christ
  - ◇ Forever for all believers of all time to come and through eternity.

“False teaching, be it doctrinal or ethical, always will have the effect of making us ‘major on the minors,’ obscuring from us the central glory of the Lord Jesus Himself. We cannot always easily articulate what is wrong with such influences. But the context suggests we should ask: ‘Is this teaching by which I am being influenced leading me to love and trust Jesus Christ more? Or less? Have I exchanged communion with Christ for caviling [making petty or unnecessary objections] about incidentals?’ By the same token, growing in faith and love for Christ, as He is in scripture, will be the greatest of all preservatives against [being] led astray.” Sinclair Ferguson, *In Christ Alone*.

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- We await the everlasting city
- True worship of God is:
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