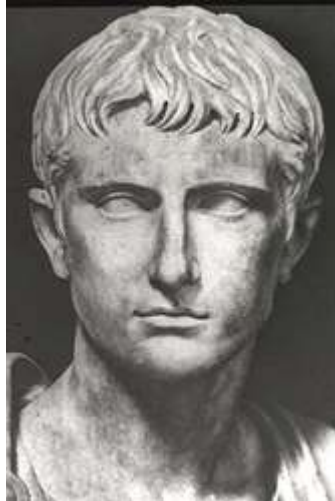


1. In the first century, the titles of Caesar were: Divine, Son of God, God, God from God, Lord, Liberator, Redeemer, and Saviour of the World. What did those titles mean in a world which generally accepted wonders and miracles, divine humans and superhuman heroes?
2. When those titles were taken from a Roman emperor and applied to a Jewish peasant in Galilee, was that low comedy or high treason?
3. If Rome did not laugh, how was that treason even sensible let alone credible? If those titles made sense to many when proclaimed of Caesar the how did they make sense to anyone when proclaimed of Jesus?



All Saints Parish Church
Glossop
Lent 2014

Eclipsing Empire: Paul, Rome & the Kingdom of God



Join New Testament scholars Marcus Borg and John Dominic Crossan on location in Turkey as they trace the Apostle Paul's footsteps throughout the Roman Empire. This DVD and web-based study explores insights into Paul's message of the Kingdom of God, its challenge to the Roman Empire and its radical relevance for today.

Eclipsing Empire is a 12 session course with the following themes:

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| 1. Empire | 7. Paul's Letters |
| 2. Jesus | 8. Paul's Ethics |
| 3. Paul's Mission | 9. Paul's Theology |
| 4. Paul's Character | 10. Paul's Eschatology |
| 5. Paul's Vocation | 11. Icons |
| 6. Cities | 12. Eclipse |

Each session will last up to an hour and a half and begins with a 20 minute video introduction featuring a travelogue on a location in Turkey which is significant for the study of Paul.

Participant guides will be available for group members, together with weekly readings and discussion questions.

As a Lent study course:

sessions 1-5 will be offered from 7.30—9.00pm on Wednesdays in the Parish Church on

- 12, 19 & 26 March
- 2 & 9 April



Saturday mornings in Lent

If there is sufficient demand sessions 1-5 may be repeated from 1030.-12.00 at the Vicarage on:

- 8, 15, 22 & 29 March & 5 April

As a follow-on course:

sessions 6-12 will be offered fortnightly from 8.00—9.30pm on Wednesdays in the Parish Church, starting dates to be agreed.