



christmas unwrapped

10. The sign I never followed
(John 2: 12 - 25)

30th January 2011

temple = stargate!

1. What was the temple for?

a place to meet God (v 16)

... for all nations (Isaiah 56: 7)

2. What was wrong with the temple?

My Father's house \neq Market (v 16)

confrontation (v 17; Psalm 69: 9)

3. Where is the temple now?

the temple is the gift (v 19)

Jesus = stargate



The First Gospel

Next week we start a new series in the OT book of Isaiah. I've given it the title *The First Gospel* because in many ways it prepares the way for Jesus and tells the story of the Suffering Servant, whom we know as Jesus Christ.

It might seem a little odd but we are going to begin by looking at chapters 36-39. I know it is normal to start a book at its beginning but this section contains the historical context of the book. The Prophet speaks God's Word into the situation before and after these key events. Therefore if we study this first we should get a better framework to then go back to the beginning and work our way through the book in order. Isaiah is a long book (66 chapters) and so we are going to take a few breaks and study the book in chunks over the next couple of years.

Sunday	Bible Passage	Preacher
February 6 th	Isaiah 36	John
February 13 th	Isaiah 37	John
February 20 th	Isaiah 38	Tim
February 27 th	Isaiah 39	John
March 6 th	Review	John

