

WEEKLY SERMON

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God's global community

These days we are so used to being connected by phone and online, particularly on social media, we can't imagine a time when our whole world might be as far as we could physically see.

But it happened and it's only in the past 100 years or so that things changed.

Even in Edwardian times people still lived local lives - their village and the next village along might be as far as some would travel in their whole lives - cities were the stuff of dreams.

Our mindsets have expanded hugely since then.

We now live in a global community where something happening on the other side of the planet can be broadcast live on a smartphone to anyone who wants to watch.

Someone living in Taiwan is only a few hours' flight away from Lancashire and people living here in our County can reach anywhere in the world in no more than 24 hours by plane.

But, while we may have discovered our world in its entirety in the past 100 years or so, God has had a global mindset since the dawn of time; he created the world after all!

He sees every one of us on the planet and knows us all. Even people who don't know Him! He knows every hair on every head of every person who has ever lived and will ever live.

God is all knowing and all seeing and yet ... you can still know Him personally.

You probably have probably heard the story of how Jesus Christ, God's son, came to Earth and died for us all.

And that means today, right now, you can know God through Jesus.

If that sounds incredible, don't worry, because I've known Him for years and it still sounds incredible to me!

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