



## Rethinking Success & Failure

Billericay & Little Burstead Team Lent Course

Emmanuel Church, Billericay

Wednesday 1 March 2023 at 7.30 pm

### Welcome

Song **Everyone Needs Compassion**

### Self Examination & Confession

God the Father:

**Have mercy on us.**

God the Son:

**Have mercy on us.**

God the Holy Spirit:

**Have mercy on us.**

Holy, blessed and glorious Trinity:

**Have mercy on us.**

From all evil and mischief; from pride, vanity, and hypocrisy;  
from envy, hatred, and malice; and from all evil intent:

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

From sloth, worldliness and love of money; from hardness of heart  
and contempt for your word and your laws:

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

From sins of body and mind; from the deceits of the world,  
the flesh and the devil:

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

In all times of sorrow; in all times of joy; in the hour of death;  
and at the day of judgement:

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

By the mystery of your holy incarnation; by your birth, childhood and  
obedience; by your baptism, fasting and temptation:

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

By your ministry in word and work; by your mighty acts of power;  
and by your preaching of the kingdom:

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

By your agony and trial; by your cross and passion;  
and by your precious death and burial:

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

By your mighty resurrection; by your glorious ascension;  
and by your sending of the Holy Spirit:

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

Give us true repentance; forgive us our sins of negligence and  
Ignorance and our deliberate sins; and grant us the grace of your  
Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to your holy word.

**Holy God, holy and strong, holy and immortal: have mercy upon us.**

Make our hearts clean, O God:

**And renew a right spirit within us.**

**Father eternal, giver of light and grace, we have sinned against you  
and against our neighbour, in what we have thought, in what we  
have said and done, through ignorance, through weakness, through  
our own deliberate fault. We have wounded your love, and marred  
your image in us. We are sorry and ashamed, and repent of all our  
sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive  
us all that is past; and lead us out from darkness to walk as children  
of light. AMEN.**

**A Time Of Silent Prayer**

1. Acknowledging Our Past Failures

2. The Reality Of Failure

3. The Fear Of Failure

4. Failure And Social Media

5. How Do We Live With Failure?

6. Failure And Lent

7. Embracing Failure

8. Failure As Part Of Life

## **Questions for Discussion & Reflection**

1. *What is failure?*
2. *How do you live well with failure?*
3. *What does God think about failure?*
4. *What do people think about the Church and failure?*
5. *How do Christians think about failure?*
6. *In what ways does society's judgement of failure influence you?*
7. *What kinds of failure are you most aware of at the moment, in your own life and that of others?*

## **Song For The Joys And For The Sorrows**

### **The Grace**

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