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# THE GOOD BOOK TALKS

**Unknown, unloved and unbelieved**

The Book that shaped the Western world is now on the back shelf. Is that the way it should be?

**Does the Bible offer anything valuable for today's issues?**

These TED-style talks argue for the ongoing value of the Bible in areas of truth-telling, ethics and culture.



**JUSTINE TOH**  
**Self-help as secular salvation**

Inner peace, wellbeing, and the pursuit of holistic care for mind, body, and soul has become a central preoccupation today in the West. We explore how our wellness obsession is a collective hangover from a religious past – one that substitutes personal for social transformation – and what might prove to be the cure.



**SIMON SMART**  
**Are we better off without Christianity?**

Many in Western society believe that the world would be better off without religion – including Christianity. The church is increasingly regarded as a burdensome and poisonous influence on society. Simon will analyse the “mixed bag” of Christian history and practice, realistically evaluating both its dark and beautiful chapters to show the enormous shaping influence of Christianity on the world and the way it has laid the foundation of much of what we value most.

**TUESDAY**  
**21 AUGUST**

**7:30PM-9.15PM**

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