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**THURSDAY 20TH AUGUST 2020 9:15AM - 2:30PM**

# MASTER CLASS

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**MOUNT PLEASANT BAPTIST CHURCH 497 MARMION ST, BOORAGOON**  
**COST: \$5 PER STUDENT**  
**FOR STUDENTS IN YEARS 9-11**



**MARK STEPHENS**  
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good news for the  
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**MICHAEL HANDS**  
*Inspired leadership:  
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**PATRICIA WEERAKOON**  
*God's word on sex:  
A better narrative*

**Unable to attend?** Join us via livestream from our Sydney Masterclass event on Tuesday 11th August

# SPEAKERS

## and topics



**MARK  
STEPHENS**

Mark is a Senior Research Fellow at the Centre for Public Christianity



**MICHAEL  
HANDS**

Michael is a Pastor at New Life Church, Brisbane



**PATRICIA  
WEERAKOON**

Patricia is a Sexologist with 30 years experience as a sexual therapist, researcher & educator

### **Is Christianity still good news for the world?**

Jesus said he came “that they may have life, and have it to the full.” Yet we live in a world which often sees Christians as either weird, intolerant or out-of-date. How can you tell the good news to a hostile world? The early followers of Jesus responded to similar circumstances by loving their enemies, welcoming the stranger, and living lives that made people ask questions. This talk will show you how you can declare and demonstrate the goodness of Jesus to a suspicious world.

### **Inspired leadership: leaders that the future needs.**

There is a leadership crisis in our world at the moment. Politicians, business and even Christian leaders are known more for their portrayed image than their heart - we are longing for those who would lead like Christ in a modern age. Does the Bible have anything to say about leadership? What does it look like to lead like Christ? More than ever before we need Christ-centred, Christ-shaped and Christ-following leaders who will pioneer the future for the good of the world and the glory of God.

### **God’s word on sex: A better narrative.**

We live in a culture where sexual values, attitudes and behaviours are nothing more than personal choice: If it feels good - do it. When it comes to sexuality and gender, the science of how the brain and the body work together is twisted to suggest that gender fluidity is the ultimate source of identity, happiness and self-fulfilment. But does living our sexual life the world’s way lead to true contentment, or is there an alternative and better narrative of God’s word on sex as expressed in the Bible?

## **What is Masterclass?**

In a world of selfies, identity politics and ‘fake news’, Bible Society’s Masterclass will inspire, challenge and equip Christian students by tackling the big questions: Does the Christian faith make sense? What does the Bible have to say about issues in our world? And what does it mean to live a bold Christian life that makes a real difference?

Masterclass also includes a popular Q&A session, giving students the freedom to ask our panel of speakers the searching questions about the Christian faith they’ve always wanted to ask.

*“An incredible opportunity for students to hear relevant, compelling messages, be encouraged in their faith and challenged to share their hope in Christ.”*

A teacher, Masterclass 2019



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