



# *Looking back – looking forward*

- *Where is God leading us next?*



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- Recreating community
- Reaching neighbours
- Growing disciples

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**John 7:37-38**  
**Acts 9:19-31**

# The sad story of the washing machine ☹️





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# Acts 9:31

- The Church Under Pressure

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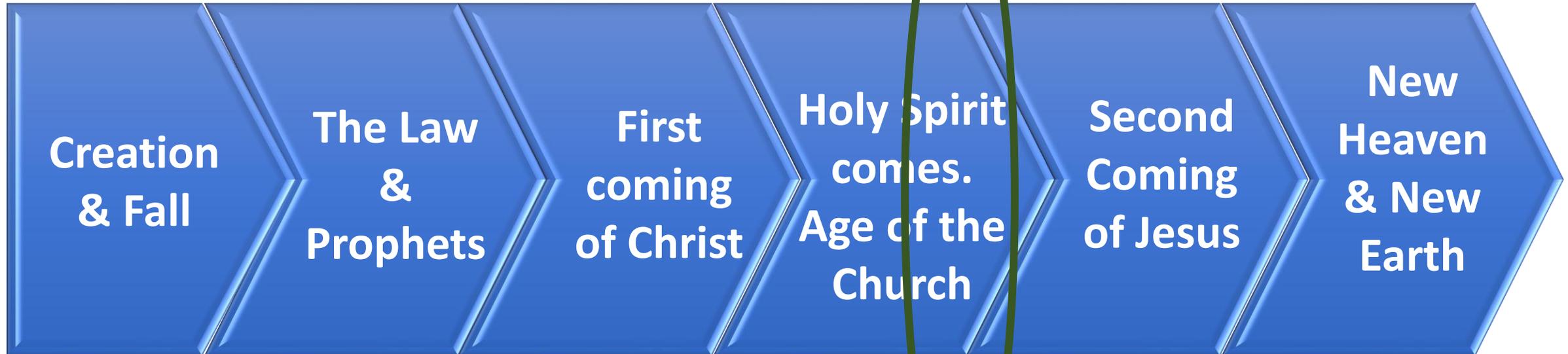




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Mark 16 verse 15  
He said to them 'Go into all the world  
and preach the gospel to all creation'

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**Luke 4:18-19**

**The spirit of the Lord is on me;  
Because he has anointed me  
To proclaim good news to the poor.  
He has sent me to proclaim freedom for  
the prisoners and recovery of sight to the  
blind, to set the oppressed free, to  
proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.**

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**‘It is the role of every Christian in  
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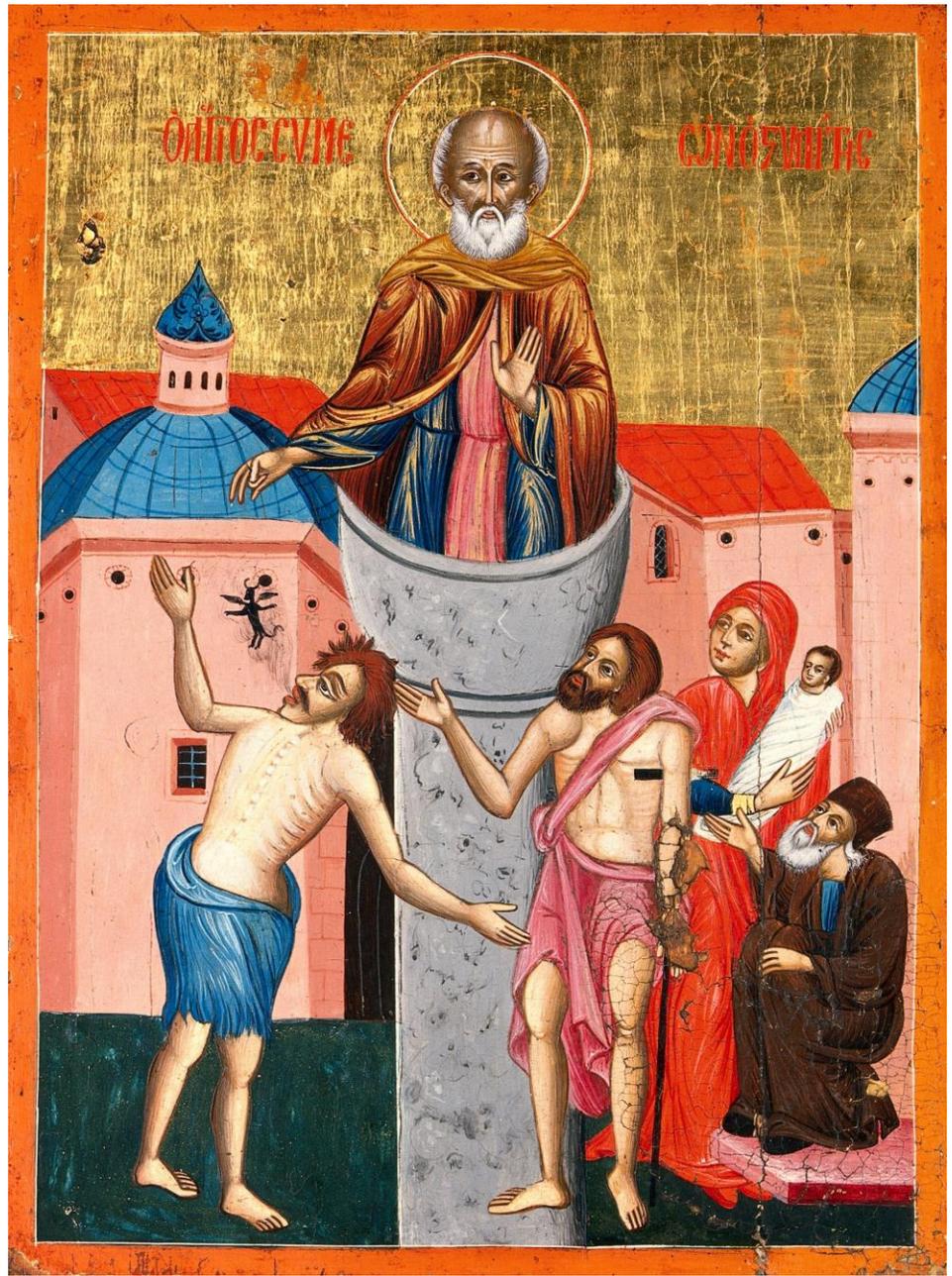
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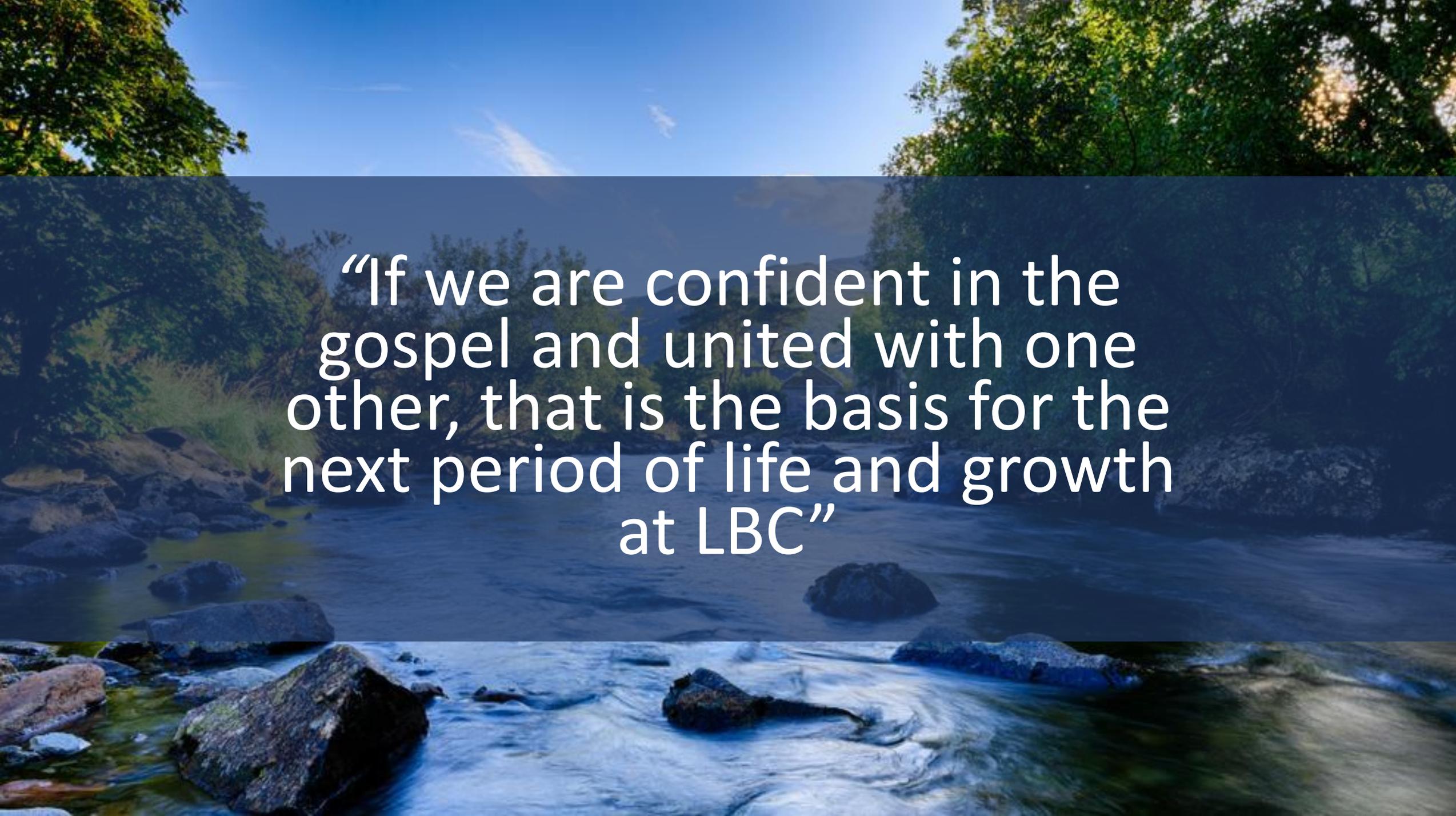


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# What next?



Rediscovering our confidence and  
joy in the gospel &  
Rediscovering church as family

A scenic view of a river flowing through a forested area. The foreground shows large, dark rocks in the water, with the river's surface reflecting the blue sky. The background is filled with lush green trees under a clear blue sky with a few wispy clouds. The overall atmosphere is peaceful and natural.

“If we are confident in the  
gospel and united with one  
other, that is the basis for the  
next period of life and growth  
at LBC”

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1. Prayer & Bible reading
  2. Get connected
  3. Being encouraged by the Spirit