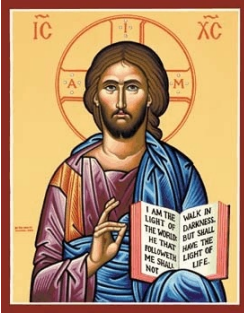




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Opening to Divine Presence through Sacred Scripture

Speaker: David Millar

FRIDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER 2010 at 7.45pm

Swedenborg Centre,

1 Avon Road, North Ryde

Cost: \$7; concession \$5 (including refreshments)

In this talk David Millar offers insights into Swedenborg's process of coming to see the true nature of the Sacred Scripture as the Word of the Lord. The power of the Biblical text to transform the very structure of the human mind into a heavenly form is at the very heart of the revelatory teaching Swedenborg was given. If we are to move beyond the literal meaning of the Word to access the spiritual insights found in its deeper meaning for ourselves we not only need to understand the symbolic language of correspondences but we also need to be able to see how to apply this knowledge to our lives. David explores the implications of this emphasising that it is the attitude with which we approach the Word, and not so much an intellectual mastery of its symbolic language, that forms the critical element in understanding its deeper meaning for our lives on a personal level. To see that the Word is provided so that we have the means to cultivate a deeper sense of the Lord presence with us and so improve the quality of our spiritual lives can but change our relationship to it in a profound way.

David Millar ministers to the New Church (Swedenborgian) congregation in Adelaide where he has served since his ordination in 2003. He is also serving as the Director of Spiritual Training for the Australian New Church College. Prior to ministry, David was the Information Systems Manager for the largest mental health organization in New Zealand.