



**...going deeper**

**a guide for your own study during the week**

**Wisdom to Satisfy (Exodus 18:9-27)**

**to think about**

What can Christians learn from those who do not call themselves Christians? ...for the Israelites, there was a big emphasis on the importance of putting their trust in God, and an emphasis on their being different, set apart from others ...in that context, should they listen to external advice?

**Read Exodus 18:9-27**

How did Jethro respond when he saw Moses and heard all that had happened since he last saw his son-in-law? (9-12)

What problem did Jethro comment on? (14-16)

What solution did Jethro propose? (17-23)

What happened when Moses followed his father-in-law's advice? (24-27)

**taking it further**

Are there things in your life that are an unnecessary burden to you? Pray and ask God to help you in seeing what is your part, and how others might be more involved.

When many people hear the word 'church', they have mental images of cold stone buildings, with irrelevant and boring services, where things are poorly organised and somewhat shabbily done... By contrast, many live in a world where things are done well, and church appears very unappealing. Pray for our church as we seek to be welcoming and to do things well.