**Everyday Faith** Parenting and **Special** Educational Needs & Disabilities (SEND)

The journey to diagnoses of...

Tourette's Syndrome ADHD Autism Anxiety



# ADHD

Traits often appear around age 4 or 5\*

**Craves novelty and** new experiences

Hyperactivity & impulsivity

Difficulty organizing and initiating tasks

Fatigue, stress & anxiety tend to worsen executive functioning difficulties

> 20% have co-occurring TS

### **Tourette Syndrome**

Sleep issues

Similar neural

High rates of peer rejection

& bullying

**Difficulty regulating attention** 

and focus

Associated with higher rates of

OCD & anxiety disorders

Repetitive tics may be

interpreted as "fidgeting"

Associated with higher

rates of learning

disorders

Tics often appear around age 6 to 7 & peak at 10-12 circuitry involved in both Presence of tics

(involuntary movements & sounds)

Distressing sensations associated with the tics

Fatigue, stress & anxiety tend to exacerbate tics

disabilities & mood 50% or more have co-occurring ADHD

# Motherhood and Autism



An Embodied Theology of Motherhood and Disability Eilidh Campbell

"As a feminist practical theologian, mother to a child with autism...I am not only deeply implicated within the subject I am researching, but live and embody the experiences about which I am writing. I am not a neutral observer of an objective reality; rather, I am critically engaged in the process of researching my own experiences and their meanings through interpretive communication with others."





Many autistic children 'Mask' at school.

They hold themselves together.
 Suppress their stims.
 Are adamant about following all the rules.
 Afraid of making a mistake.

And why?

Because they don't want to stand out from the social norm. -AutisticAlly Support

#### **Sensory Overload**

At school there is:

People pushing, shoving, banging into you.
 Smells of canteen dinners, perfumes, deodorants, cleaning products etc
 Sounds of class bells, chatter, shouting, chairs squeaking, computer fans, humming noise from lights etc.
 Suppressing your body

movements (that help soothe you) so people don't stare at you.

**Classroom Mental Workload** 

✓Do I have a pen/pencil?
✓I feel people are staring at me.

l don't know how to engage with this lesson.

Have I remembered my homework? I can't understand this topic and I can't put my hand up incase someone teases me. Everyone else is working but I don't know what to do.

I'm too anxious to ask for help in case I get told off for not listening.

-AutisticAlly Support

There is no surprise that these kids are breaking down at home.

Too much sensory input, cognitive and emotional overload for 6/7 hours a day, 5 days a week is overwhelming.

When it's home time many children explode because they are mentally and physically exhausted. **Playground Politics** 

Why won't they talk to me?
They talked to me yesterday.
Is it because my hair is different?
Maybe I talked too much.
Maybe I didn't talk enough.
Why don't they like me?
Why won't they play with me?
I don't understand the game.

-AutisticAlly Support



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It's Saturday. If it requires getting dressed then it's just not going to happen today.

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### **Coronavirus: lessons** learned to date

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*"Likewise the disproportionately high mortality"* rates that people with learning disabilities and autistic people have suffered throughout the pandemic has highlighted the health inequalities faced by this group. While pre-existing health conditions undoubtedly contributed to the increased mortality risk, they were compounded by inadequate access to the care people with learning disabilities needed at a time of crisis. This was a result of restrictions on non-covid hospital activity, and, significantly, because of access restrictions which prevented family members and other carers accompanying people with learning disabilities in hospital to perform their expected advocacy role. "Do not attempt CPR" notices were issued inappropriately for some people with learning disabilities, which was completely unacceptable. Plans for future emergencies should recognise that blanket access restrictions to hospital may not be appropriate for patients who rely on an advocate to express their requirements."

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# Manifesto

#### Being With God



# WITH





# A Nazareth Manifesto

"while there is a place for working for, working with, and being for, it is being with that is the most faithful form of Christian witness and mission, because being with is both incarnationally faithful to the manifestation of God in Christ and eschatologically anticipatory of the destiny of all things in God."

Sam Wells









## Inexpressible

"What are the implications for us today of God's hesed being everlasting and eternal? What kind of confidence might be born in our hearts and minds if we trusted that God's love, mercy and kindness will never fail, never leave us in the lurch? What would happen to our deepest lingering fears if we could summon the audacity to believe this promise, a promise that so obviously meant so much to Israel?"

Michael Card

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0NWJOYUxwcl

#### The New Heaven and the New Earth

<sup>1</sup>Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. <sup>2</sup>And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.  $^{3}$ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; <sup>4</sup>he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.' <sup>5</sup>And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.'

What stands out to you? How are you challenged? How are you encouraged?

Revelation 21:1-5 NRSV

What it might mean is that God is seeking to form us into a people in his likeness, who are transparent in our integrity and have nothing to hide. We become a safe place for others to find refuge. We constantly are open to welcome people in, of every kind, coming from every direction—but at the same time there is nothing evil or unclean to be found in our midst, since the Spirit of God is forming us in holiness and purity. We are shaped by both the story of Israel, which has become our story, and the apostolic testimony to the life and truth of Jesus. Our faith, that is, our complete trust in God, has been purified to perfection by faithfulness in the face of trials and difficulties, so that our trust in God is without flaw. As a community, we are marked by the wisdom of the ages—and we offer a place of hospitality to all that is best in the world around us. People of all faiths and none look to us for wisdom, integrity, and insight.

#### Ian Paul

https://www.psephizo.com/biblical-studies/is-the-newjerusalem-a-place-or-a-people/



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