

Gowrie, Hallsville & West Tamworth

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#### Jeremiah 2:4-13 (NLT)

<sup>4</sup> Listen to the word of the LORD, people of Jacob—all you families of Israel! <sup>5</sup> This is what the LORD says:

"What did your ancestors find wrong with me that led them to stray so far from me? They worshiped worthless idols.

only to become worthless themselves.

<sup>6</sup> They did not ask, 'Where is the LORD who brought us safely out of Egypt and led us through the barren wilderness—

and led us through the barren wilderness a land of deserts and pits,

a land of drought and death,

where no one lives or even travels?'

<sup>7</sup> "And when I brought you into a fruitful land to enjoy its bounty and goodness,

you defiled my land and

corrupted the possession I had promised you.

<sup>8</sup> The priests did not ask, 'Where is the LORD?'

Those who taught my word ignored me, the rulers turned against me.

and the prophets spoke in the name of Baal, wasting their time on worthless idols.

Therefore, I will bring my case against you," says the LORD.

"I will even bring charges against your children's children

in the years to come.

10 "Go west and look in the land of Cyprus; go east and search through the land of Kedar.

Has anyone ever heard of anything as strange as this?

<sup>11</sup> Has any nation ever traded its gods for new ones, even though they are not gods at all?

Yet my people have exchanged their glorious God for worthless idols!

The heavens are shocked at such a thing and shrink back in horror and dismay," says the LORD.

<sup>13</sup> "For my people have done two evil things:

They have abandoned me the fountain of living water.

And they have dug for themselves cracked cisterns that can hold no water at all!

#### PEEL VALLEY CONGREGATION

Our goal: "To be transformed communities, experiencing, enjoying & sharing the gift of the friendship of Jesus."

Mission: "Called to be Free, Gifted to Serve."

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**Elders:** Margaret Crowell Barbara Murray Doss Wark

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#### Psalms 81:1, 10-16 (NLT)

<sup>1</sup> Sing praises to God, our strength.

Sing to the God of Jacob.

<sup>10</sup> For it was I, the LORD your God, who rescued you from the land of Egypt.

Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it with good hings.

11 "But no, my people wouldn't listen. Israel did not want me around.

<sup>12</sup> So I let them follow their own stubborn desires, living according to their own ideas.

<sup>13</sup> Oh, that my people would listen to me! Oh, that Israel would follow me, walking in my paths!

<sup>14</sup> How quickly I would then subdue their enemies! How soon my hands would be upon their foes!

<sup>15</sup> Those who hate the LORD would cringe before him; they would be doomed forever.

<sup>16</sup> But I would feed you with the finest wheat.

I would satisfy you with wild honey from the rock."

## Hebrews13:1-8, 16-16 (NLT) Concluding Words

13 Keep on loving each other as brothers and sisters. <sup>2</sup> Don't forget to show hospitality to strangers, for some who have done this have entertained angels without realizing it! <sup>3</sup> Remember those in prison, as if you were there yourself. Remember also those being mistreated, as if you felt their pain in your own bodies.

<sup>4</sup> Give honor to marriage, and remain faithful to one another in marriage. God will surely judge people who are immoral and those who commit adultery.

<sup>5</sup> Don't love money; be satisfied with what you have. For God has said,

"I will never fail you. I will never abandon you."

<sup>6</sup> So we can say with confidence,

"The LORD is my helper, so I will have no fear.

What can mere people do to me?"

<sup>7</sup> Remember your leaders who taught you the word of God. Think of all the good that has come from their lives, and follow the example of their faith.

<sup>8</sup> Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. <sup>16</sup> And don't forget to do good and to share with those in need. These are the sacrifices that please God.

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

August 28 ~ Anna Debenham

August 31 ~ Alan Littlejohns

August 31 ~ Fiona Hansford





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#### PRAYER LIST

- We pray for the Scorgie family; Beth, Peter, Tina and Stephen. Each has a range of medical issues.
- We pray for Pat Hoyt and Barbara Murray who both have ongoing pain and health problems.
- ➤ We give thanks to God for the steady rain which has fallen in the Tamworth area this week. Our dams must be fuller than they have been for guite some time.
- We give thanks to God for the safe return of Marg and Doug Crowell.
  It is good to have you both back with us

#### **Meg's Musings**

Last Wednesday I led a service of worship at Alblas, which I really enjoy doing.

One of the things that I do during the service is assist some of the residents to find the right page in their hymn books.

On Wednesday, as I approached one of the residents, he tried to hand me his hearing aid, and wanted me to install it in his ear.

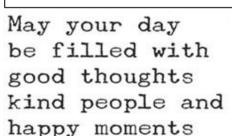
As I have never done this, I told him that I was unable to do that, and asked a staff member to assist. But she, too was inexperienced in that task. A nursing staff member was called, and she installed the hearing aid for the resident.

The man trusted me implicitly. But I was aware of my limitations. I am able to lead worship, but not able to assist with many technical tasks.

God relies on us to know our strengths, and also to know our limitations. He calls us to self-knowledge, as well as to be aware of how we can help others.

How are you being called to help those around you today?

Blessings from Meg





#### **CHURCH SERVICES**

2 September 6pm 4 September 8.30 am

4 September 9am 4 September 11am Hallsville ~ John Nash

Gowrie ~ John Nash Hallsville ~ no service

West

~ John Nash

GREAT DAYS

**1**<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month ~ Luncheon @ West

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month

Trading Table @ West Tamworth

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month

~ Markets @ Hallsville

25 Septermber

#### Luke 14:1, 7-14 (NIV)

#### Jesus Heals on the Sabbath

14 One Sabbath day Jesus went to eat dinner in the home of a leader of the Pharisees, and the people were watching him closely.

#### **Jesus Teaches about Humility**

<sup>7</sup> When Jesus noticed that all who had come to the dinner were trying to sit in the seats of honor near the head of the table, he gave them this advice: <sup>8</sup> "When you are invited to a wedding feast, don't sit in the seat of honor. What if someone who is more distinguished than you has also been invited? <sup>9</sup> The host will come and say, 'Give this person your seat.' Then you will be embarrassed, and you will have to take whatever seat is left at the foot of the table!

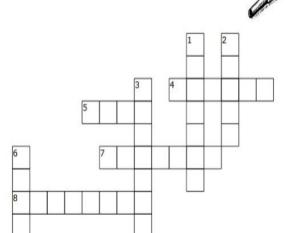
<sup>10</sup> "Instead, take the lowest place at the foot of the table. Then when your host sees you, he will come and say, 'Friend, we have a better place for you!' Then you will be honored in front of all the other guests. <sup>11</sup> For those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

<sup>12</sup> Then he turned to his host. "When you put on a luncheon or a banquet," he said, "don't invite your friends, brothers, relatives, and rich neighbors. For they will invite you back, and that will be your only reward.
<sup>13</sup> Instead, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. <sup>14</sup> Then at the resurrection of the righteous, God will reward you for inviting those who could not repay you."

### Left Out?

"But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed." Luke 14:13-14a (NIV)

Based on Luke 14:12-14



#### ACROSS

- To ask someone in a friendly way to do something
- Having very little money or posessions
- 7. To be highly favored by God
- To be lame or disabled in the fee or legs

#### **DOWN**

- 1. A dinner party for many people
- 2. Unable to see
- People that you know well and like very much
- 6. Having a lot of money