



Peel Valley Congregation

Gowrie, Hallsville & West Tamworth

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1 Samuel 3:1-20 (NIV)

The LORD Calls Samuel

3 The boy Samuel ministered before the LORD under Eli. In those days the word of the LORD was rare; there were not many visions.

² One night Eli, whose eyes were becoming so weak that he could barely see, was lying down in his usual place.

³ The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the house of the LORD, where the ark of God was. ⁴ Then the LORD called Samuel.

Samuel answered, "Here I am." ⁵ And he ran to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me."

But Eli said, "I did not call; go back and lie down." So he went and lay down.

⁶ Again the LORD called, "Samuel!" And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me."

"My son," Eli said, "I did not call; go back and lie down."

⁷ Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD: The word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him.

⁸ A third time the LORD called, "Samuel!" And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me."

Then Eli realized that the LORD was calling the boy. ⁹ So Eli told Samuel, "Go and lie down, and if he calls you, say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

¹⁰ The LORD came and stood there, calling as at the other times, "Samuel! Samuel!"

Then Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

¹¹ And the LORD said to Samuel: "See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make the ears of everyone who hears about it tingle. ¹² At that time I will carry out against Eli everything I spoke against his family—from beginning to end. ¹³ For I told him that I would judge his family forever because of the sin he knew about; his sons blasphemed God, and he failed to restrain them.

¹⁴ Therefore I swore to the house of Eli, 'The guilt of Eli's house will never be atoned for by sacrifice or offering.'"

¹⁵ Samuel lay down until morning and then opened the doors of the house of the LORD. He was afraid to tell Eli the vision, ¹⁶ but Eli called him and said, "Samuel, my son."

Samuel answered, "Here I am."

¹⁷ "What was it he said to you?" Eli asked. "Do not hide it from me. May God deal with you, be it ever so severely, if you hide from me anything he told you." ¹⁸ So Samuel told him everything, hiding nothing from him. Then Eli said, "He is the LORD; let him do what is good in his eyes."

¹⁹ The LORD was with Samuel as he grew up, and he let none of Samuel's words fall to the ground. ²⁰ And all Israel from Dan to Beersheba recognized that Samuel was attested as a prophet of the LORD.

Psalms 139:1-6, 13-18 (NIV)

¹ You have searched me, LORD, and you know me.

² You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar.

³ You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways.

⁴ Before a word is on my tongue you, LORD, know it completely.

⁵ You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me.

⁶ Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to attain.

¹³ For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb.

¹⁴ I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made;

your works are wonderful, I know that full well.

¹⁵ My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place, when I was woven together in the depths of the earth.

¹⁶ Your eyes saw my unformed body; all the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be.

¹⁷ How precious to me are your thoughts, God! How vast is the sum of them!

¹⁸ Were I to count them, they would outnumber the grains of sand—when I awake, I am still with you.



2 Corinthians 4:5-12 (NIV)

⁵ For what we preach is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake.

⁶ For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God's glory displayed in the face of Christ.

⁷ But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us.

⁸ We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; ⁹ persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed.

¹⁰ We always carry around in our body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be revealed in our body. ¹¹ For we who are alive are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that his life may also be revealed in our

Every moment is a fresh beginning. ~T.S Eliot

CHURCH SERVICES

8 June	9am	Hallsville	~ NO SERVICE
10 June	8.30am	Gowrie	~ Meg Mangan
10 June	11am	West	~ Meg Mangan



1st Sunday of the month

~ Luncheon @ West

3rd Sunday of the month

~Trading Table @ West Tamworth

4th Sunday of the month

~ Markets @ Hallsville

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IN OUR PRAYERS

- We pray for God's word to be known, and accepted, throughout our world.
- We pray for the well-being of our farmers as the drought drags on.
- We pray for the members of our community who are working today.
- We pray for our church members who are unable to worship with us today - especially those who are unwell.

Meg's Musings

We have reached the time of year when clouds obscuring the sun's warmth are a disappointment - unless they are actually bearing rain... then they would be more than welcome!

Our attitudes towards aspects of nature vary with the seasons.

We move from shunning the heat of the sun in summer, to relishing it in winter.

In summer, breezes which stir the air are welcome, but we rug up against the wind in winter.

Spring time can be a miserable time for hay-fever sufferers, whereas most of us welcome the colour and perfumes which herald the end of winter.

But God is a constant in our lives - we need never fear contact with Him, or shun any aspect of His presence. His love and comfort are needed all the time.

Blessings from Meg



If nature has made you for a giver, your hands are born open, and so is your heart; and though there may be times when your hands are empty, your heart is always full, and you can give things out of that—warm things, kind things, sweet things—help and comfort and laughter—and sometimes gay, kind laughter is the best help of all. ~ Frances Hodgson Burnett



**Australia's
Biggest
Morning
Tea**

NOTICE:

Memory Lane will be hosting "Australia's Biggest Morning Tea" this Tuesday, 5th June at 10:00am. Please come along, and bring your friends. A gold coin donation would be appreciated.

A WARM WELCOME to the Gideons members who are leading worship this weekend at Hallsville and West Tamworth.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 3 June ~ Tony Orr
- 6 June ~ Meg Mangan
- 7 June ~ Shirley McMahon
- 7 June ~ Simon Hansford

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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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Mark 2:23-3:6 (NIV)

Jesus Is Lord of the Sabbath

²³ One Sabbath Jesus was going through the grainfields, and as his disciples walked along, they began to pick some heads of grain.

²⁴ The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is unlawful on the Sabbath?"

²⁵ He answered, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need?"

²⁶ In the days of Abiathar the high priest, he entered the house of God and ate the consecrated bread, which is lawful only for priests to eat. And he also gave some to his companions."

²⁷ Then he said to them, "The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath.

²⁸ So the Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath."

Jesus Heals on the Sabbath

³ Another time Jesus went into the synagogue, and a man with a shriveled hand was there.

² Some of them were looking for a reason to accuse Jesus, so they watched him closely to see if he would heal him on the Sabbath.

³ Jesus said to the man with the shriveled hand, "Stand up in front of everyone."

⁴ Then Jesus asked them, "Which is lawful on the Sabbath: to do good or to do evil, to save life or to kill?" But they remained silent.

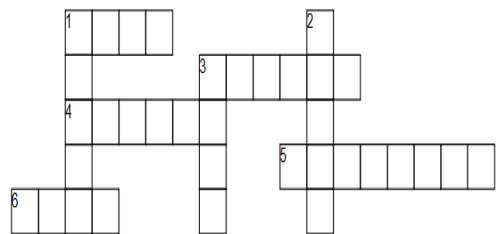
⁵ He looked around at them in anger and, deeply distressed at their stubborn hearts, said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was completely restored.

⁶ Then the Pharisees went out and began to plot with the Herodians how they might kill Jesus.

Jesus and the Sabbath

Then Jesus asked them, "Which is lawful on the Sabbath: to do good or to do evil, to save life or to kill?" But they remained silent. Mark 3:4 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Mark 2:23-3:6



ACROSS

1. The opposite of bad or evil.
3. Feel the need to eat
4. To charge with a fault; to blame; to censure.
5. A day of rest and worship
6. The part of the body at the end of the arm

DOWN

1. The fruit of certain grasses which furnish the food of man, as corn, wheat, rye, oats, etc.
2. An article of food made from flour or meal by moistening, kneading, and baking.
3. To cure, to make well

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