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Job 38:1-7, 34-41 (NIV)

38 Then the LORD spoke to Job out of the storm. He said:

- ² "Who is this that obscures my plans with words without knowledge?"
- ³ Brace yourself like a man; I will question you, and you shall answer me.
- ⁴ "Where were you when I laid the earth's foundation? Tell me, if you understand.
- ⁵ Who marked off its dimensions? Surely you know! Who stretched a measuring line across it?
- ⁶ On what were its footings set, or who laid its cornerstone—
- ⁷ while the morning stars sang together and all the angels shouted for joy?
- ³⁴ "Can you raise your voice to the clouds and cover yourself with a flood of water?"
- ³⁵ Do you send the lightning bolts on their way? Do they report to you, 'Here we are'?
- ³⁶ Who gives the ibis wisdom or gives the rooster understanding?
- ³⁷ Who has the wisdom to count the clouds? Who can tip over the water jars of the heavens when the dust becomes hard and the clods of earth stick together?
- ³⁹ "Do you hunt the prey for the lioness and satisfy the hunger of the lions when they crouch in their dens or lie in wait in a thicket?"
- ⁴¹ Who provides food for the raven when its young cry out to God and wander about for lack of food?

Psalms 104:1-9, 24, 35c (NIV)

- ¹ Praise the LORD, my soul.
LORD my God, you are very great; you are clothed with splendour and majesty.
- ² The LORD wraps himself in light as with a garment; he stretches out the heavens like a tent
- ³ and lays the beams of his upper chambers on their waters.
He makes the clouds his chariot and rides on the wings of the wind.
- ⁴ He makes winds his messengers, flames of fire his servants.
- ⁵ He set the earth on its foundations; it can never be moved.
- ⁶ You covered it with the watery depths as with a garment; the waters stood above the mountains.
- ⁷ But at your rebuke the waters fled, at the sound of your thunder they took to flight;
- ⁸ they flowed over the mountains, they went down into the valleys, to the place you assigned for them.
- ⁹ You set a boundary they cannot cross; never again will they cover the earth.
- ²⁴ How many are your works, LORD! In wisdom you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

^{35c} Praise the LORD.

CHOCOLATE
comes from Cocoa.
Cocoa is a Tree.
Trees are Plants.
so Chocolate is a
SALAD

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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Hebrews 5:1-10 (NIV)

- ⁵ Every high priest is selected from among the people and is appointed to represent the people in matters related to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins.
- ² He is able to deal gently with those who are ignorant and are going astray, since he himself is subject to weakness.
- ³ This is why he has to offer sacrifices for his own sins, as well as for the sins of the people. ⁴ And no one takes this honour on himself, but he receives it when called by God, just as Aaron was.
- ⁵ In the same way, Christ did not take on himself the glory of becoming a high priest. But God said to him, "You are my Son; today I have become your Father."
- ⁶ And he says in another place, "You are a priest forever, in the order of Melchizedek."
- ⁷ During the days of Jesus' life on earth, he offered up prayers and petitions with fervent cries and tears to the one who could save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. ⁸ Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered ⁹ and, once made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him ¹⁰ and was designated by God to be high priest in the order of Melchizedek.

.... enjoy & share the gift of the friendship of Jesus



IN OUR PRAYERS

- We pray for clear minds for students who commenced their Higher School Certificate exams last week.
- We pray for those of our congregation in nursing homes - Doss Wark at Nazareth House, Barbara Murray at BUPA, Viv Chaffey at McKay House, and Judy Watts at Alblas Lodge.
- We pray for the participants at the Invictus Games.
- We pray for the Guests at Kairos Outside For Women this weekend. May they find God, friendship, and hope in the experience.
- We pray for rain in areas of Australia continuing to experience drought.

Meg's Musings

I've always enjoyed the look of Bottlebrush trees. Their bright red blooms look cheery, and they are always spectacular as they reach full bloom.

Today I was watching as a Rosella busily began feeding in one of our Bottlebrush trees.

The bird landed on a thin stem, and began working away at one of the blooms. With its beak, it brushed away the red blossom, exposing the small seed pods remaining on the frond. Then it expertly removed the seed pods and ate them, leaving the frond naked.

It then went on to the next frond. It was not quite as advanced, so it only ate a few of the seed pods, leaving the rest for another day. It reached for a third frond which was slightly further out of reach. It bit the frond off, ate the seed pods, and dropped the frond to the ground below.

There are so many blossoms on the Bottlebrush trees that I am happy for the Rosellas to feast on the blossom - especially in this drought year, when food is scarcer than usual.

What amazed me was the way in which God's world works in a way which benefits everything. I enjoy the trees, and so do the birds.

There are no losers, only winners.

That is so different to our competitive society. How can humankind be brought into harmony with the rest of creation?

Blessings from Meg



Just a thought:

The first rule of holes: If you are in one, stop digging.

I wish the buck stopped here. I could use a few.

I started out with nothing...I still have most of it.

Instructions for life

1. When you lose, don't lose the lesson.
2. Follow the three R's of good karma: Respect for self; Respect for others and Responsibility for all your actions.
3. Learn the rules so you know how to break them properly.
4. Don't let a little dispute injure a great relationship.

CHURCH SERVICES

28 October 8.30am **Gowrie** ~ Henry Swindon
 28 October 11am **West** ~ Henry Swindon



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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Mark 10:35-45 (NIV)

The Request of James and John

³⁵ Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to him. "Teacher," they said, "we want you to do for us whatever we ask."

³⁶ "What do you want me to do for you?" he asked.

³⁷ They replied, "Let one of us sit at your right and the other at your left in your glory."

³⁸ "You don't know what you are asking," Jesus said.

"Can you drink the cup I drink or be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with?"

³⁹ "We can," they answered.

Jesus said to them, "You will drink the cup I drink and be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with, ⁴⁰ but to sit at my right or left is not for me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared."

⁴¹ When the ten heard about this, they became indignant with James and John.

⁴² Jesus called them together and said, "You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them.

⁴³ Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all.

⁴⁵ For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

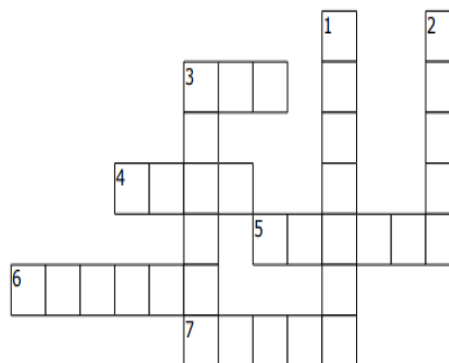
To Be Like Jesus

"For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." Mark 10:45 (NIV)

Puzzle is based on Mark 10:35-45



NOT TO
BE SERVED
BUT TO SERVE.



ACROSS

3. To occupy a chair
4. The direction that is the opposite of right
5. to be in front; to be first
6. A special chair used by a king or queen
7. The direction that is the opposite of left

DOWN

1. A person who works for another person
2. To do something to help someone, often after they ask you to do it
3. To feel physical or mental pain