



# Peel Valley Congregation

Gowrie, Hallsville & West Tamworth

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## Exodus 34:29-35 (NIV)

### The Radiant Face of Moses

<sup>29</sup> When Moses came down from Mount Sinai with the two tablets of the covenant law in his hands, he was not aware that his face was radiant because he had spoken with the LORD.

<sup>30</sup> When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, his face was radiant, and they were afraid to come near him.

<sup>31</sup> But Moses called to them; so Aaron and all the leaders of the community came back to him, and he spoke to them.

<sup>32</sup> Afterward all the Israelites came near him, and he gave them all the commands the LORD had given him on Mount Sinai.

<sup>33</sup> When Moses finished speaking to them, he put a veil over his face.

<sup>34</sup> But whenever he entered the LORD's presence to speak with him, he removed the veil until he came out. And when he came out and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, <sup>35</sup> they saw that his face was radiant. Then Moses would put the veil back over his face until he went in to speak with the LORD.

## 2 Corinthians 3:12 - 4:2 (NIV)

<sup>12</sup> Therefore, since we have such a hope, we are very bold. <sup>13</sup> We are not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face to prevent the Israelites from seeing the end of what was passing away.

<sup>14</sup> But their minds were made dull, for to this day the same veil remains when the old covenant is read. It has not been removed, because only in Christ is it taken away.

<sup>15</sup> Even to this day when Moses is read, a veil covers their hearts.

<sup>16</sup> But whenever anyone turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away.

<sup>17</sup> Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.

<sup>18</sup> And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

### Present Weakness and Resurrection Life

<sup>4</sup> Therefore, since through God's mercy we have this ministry, we do not lose heart.

<sup>2</sup> Rather, we have renounced secret and shameful ways; we do not use deception, nor do we distort the word of God. On the contrary, by setting forth the truth plainly we commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God.

## Psalms 99 (NIV)

<sup>1</sup> The LORD reigns, let the nations tremble; he sits enthroned between the cherubim, let the earth shake.

<sup>2</sup> Great is the LORD in Zion; he is exalted over all the nations.

<sup>3</sup> Let them praise your great and awesome name—he is holy.

<sup>4</sup> The King is mighty, he loves justice—you have established equity; in Jacob you have done what is just and right.

<sup>5</sup> Exalt the LORD our God and worship at his footstool; he is holy.

<sup>6</sup> Moses and Aaron were among his priests, Samuel was among those who called on his name; they called on the LORD and he answered them.

<sup>7</sup> He spoke to them from the pillar of cloud; they kept his statutes and the decrees he gave them.

<sup>8</sup> LORD our God, you answered them; you were to Israel a forgiving God, though you punished their misdeeds.

<sup>9</sup> Exalt the LORD our God and worship at his holy mountain, for the LORD our God is holy.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

4 March	~ Ella Davidson
9 March	~ Barry Constable
12 March	~ Joyce Dowsett
13 March	~ Reg Myer
13 March	~ Doug Crowell
29 March	~ Bruce Jarrett

### CHURCH SERVICES

8 March	8.30am	<b>Gowrie</b>	~ Meg Mangan
10 March	11am	<b>West</b>	~ Meg Mangan

Choose people who lift you up. ~ Michelle Obama

### 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."

Pastoral Care: **Meg Mangan 0466 337 005**

**Elders:** Margaret Crowell Doss Wark Ross Davidson  
Bruce Jarrett



Compliments are like verbal sunshine ~ Steve Curtin

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### IN OUR PRAYERS

- We pray for Pat Hoyt who has returned to hospital, and also for Kevin who is being a wonderful support to her.
- Doss is presently in Sydney. She has had one procedure, and is awaiting further assessment. We pray for the medical staff at RPA hospital who are caring for her. We also pray for Doss, and her supportive family.
- Bob Forrester is presently in Manilla Hospital until a bed becomes available at Nazareth House. We pray that he may have patience during this time.
- We continue to pray for Ivan, Tanya and Glenda Whitten.
- We pray for rain.
- We uphold those people who have recently been through the crises of fires and floods.

### Meg's Musings

Before Christmas I purchased the autobiography by Michelle Obama, "Becoming".

I enjoyed it, and passed it on to some friends who have also enjoyed it.

Michelle Obama never sought the limelight - she was someone who had it thrust upon her by circumstances.

She chose not to be actively involved in politics, despite being surrounded by it.

Instead, she chose to use her position to foster children's interest in gardening, and in healthy eating.

For me, she is someone who has shone, despite the divisiveness of American politics.

Her Christian beliefs have helped her to make wise decisions, and to overcome difficult situations.

This week our readings are about the Transfiguration, and Moses' face shining after encountering God.

It is good to know that God is still helping people to "shine" in this world.



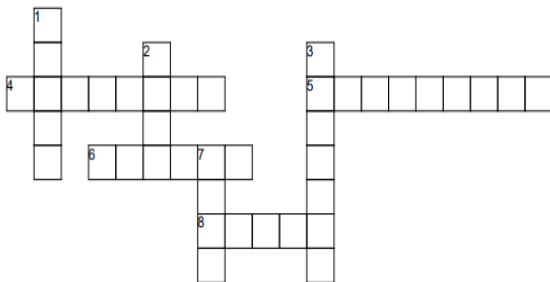
Blessings from Meg



## The Best Is Yet to Come

As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning. Luke 9:29 (NIV)

The words used in this puzzle are found in Luke 9:28-36 (NIV).



### HORIZONTAL

4. A raised part of the Earth's surface, much larger than a hill
5. A flash of bright light in the sky produced by electricity
6. Ready to go to bed or take a nap
8. The opposite of being asleep

### VERTICAL

1. A grey or white mass floating in the sky, made of very small drops of water
2. The front of the head, where the eyes, nose and mouth are
3. Things such as a dress or trousers that you wear to cover your body
7. To speak to God

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### Luke 9:28-36, (37-43a) (NIV)

#### The Transfiguration

<sup>28</sup> About eight days after Jesus said this, he took Peter, John and James with him and went up onto a mountain to pray.

<sup>29</sup> As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning.

<sup>30</sup> Two men, Moses and Elijah, appeared in glorious splendor, talking with Jesus.

<sup>31</sup> They spoke about his departure, which he was about to bring to fulfillment at Jerusalem.

<sup>32</sup> Peter and his companions were very sleepy, but when they became fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him.

<sup>33</sup> As the men were leaving Jesus, Peter said to him, "Master, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." (He did not know what he was saying.)

<sup>34</sup> While he was speaking, a cloud appeared and covered them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud.

<sup>35</sup> A voice came from the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, whom I have chosen; listen to him."

<sup>36</sup> When the voice had spoken, they found that Jesus was alone. The disciples kept this to themselves and did not tell anyone at that time what they had seen.

#### Jesus Heals a Demon-Possessed Boy

<sup>37</sup> The next day, when they came down from the mountain, a large crowd met him.

<sup>38</sup> A man in the crowd called out, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son, for he is my only child.

<sup>39</sup> A spirit seizes him and he suddenly screams; it throws him into convulsions so that he foams at the mouth. It scarcely ever leaves him and is destroying him. <sup>40</sup> I begged your disciples to drive it out, but they could not."

<sup>41</sup> "You unbelieving and perverse generation," Jesus replied, "how long shall I stay with you and put up with you? Bring your son here."

<sup>42</sup> Even while the boy was coming, the demon threw him to the ground in a convulsion. But Jesus rebuked the impure spirit, healed the boy and gave him back to his father.

<sup>43</sup> And they were all amazed at the greatness of God.

#### Jesus Predicts His Death a Second Time

While everyone was marveling at all that Jesus did, he said to his disciples,

<sup>44</sup> "Listen carefully to what I am about to tell you: The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men."

With every word we utter, with every action we take, we know our kids are watching us. We as parents are their most important role models. ~ Michelle Obama



**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

**24 March**