

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



## IN OUR PRAYERS

- ➢ We continue to pray for rain for our dry, dusty region.
- We give thanks that we were able to pack 50 Operation Christmas Child boxes. Well done! Thanks for your wonderful generosity, and the hard work of several people.
- ➢ We pray for our families.
- We pray for safety for fire-fighters, and we pray for people who have lost their home in fires over the past week.
- Please pray for Peter and for Beth Scorgie.

## **Meg's Musings**

Sometimes it seems that there are all sorts of gadgets and procedures to diagnose our physical health.

We can monitor pulse, blood pressure, blood oxygen levels quite easily.

Blood tests can tell us how our body is absorbing vitamins and minerals, and whether we have the 'flu.

Other blood tests readily tell us how our liver, kidneys and other organs are coping.

But what do we do to check on our spiritual health?

Is our relationship with God an active one, or is it running on low, or even on empty?

Our prayer life is especially important to our spiritual health.

Worship and reading the bible are other important

aspects of keeping our souls healthy.

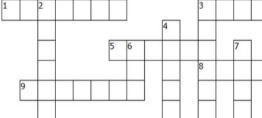
Blessings from Meg

# Do the Right Thing!

"Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much. Luke 16:10 (NIV)

Based on Luke 16:1-13





#### ACROSS

- 1. A person who performs duties around the home of a master
- 3. To like something very much
- 5. Truthful, trusted, not likely to steal, cheat or lie
- 8. To have complete confidence in someone
- 9. To feel a strong dislike for someone or something

## DOWN

- A large amount of money or valuable possessions that someone has
- 3. A very small amount
- 4. The Son of God
- 6. To be obligated to repay a debt to someone
- 7. A very large amount

A sense of humour is a major defence against minor troubles. ~ Mignon McLaughlin

# Luke 16:1-13 (NIV)

## The Parable of the Shrewd Manager

16 Jesus told his disciples: "There was a rich man whose manager was accused of wasting his possessions.

<sup>2</sup> So he called him in and asked him, 'What is this I hear about you? Give an account of your management, because you cannot be manager any longer.'

<sup>3</sup> "The manager said to himself, 'What shall I do now? My master is taking away my job. I'm not strong enough to dig, and I'm ashamed to beg—

<sup>4</sup> I know what I'll do so that, when I lose my job here, people will welcome me into their houses.'

<sup>5</sup> "So he called in each one of his master's debtors. He asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?'

<sup>6</sup> "'Nine hundred gallons of olive oil,' he replied. "The manager told him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it four hundred and fifty.'

<sup>7</sup> "Then he asked the second, 'And how much do you owe?'

"A thousand bushels of wheat,' he replied. "He told him, 'Take your bill and make it eight hundred.'

<sup>8</sup> "The master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly. For the people of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own kind than are the people of the light.

<sup>9</sup> I tell you, use worldly wealth to gain friends for yourselves, so that when it is gone, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings.

<sup>10</sup> "Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much.

<sup>11</sup> So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches? <sup>12</sup> And if you have not been trustworthy with someone else's property, who will give you property of your own?

<sup>13</sup> "No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money."

Today I will...

pray more, worry less, laugh more, stress less,

hug more, hurry less. ~ unkmown

<u>NOTICE</u>: At 1:15pm next Tuesday a group of us will be going to see Downton Abbey at the movies. Further details on Sunday.



1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month ~ Luncheon @ West ~ Markets @ Hallsville 20 September

Tuesday 17 September MEMORY LANE