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Ruth 3:1-5,4:13-17 (NIV)

Ruth and Boaz at the Threshing Floor

3 One day Ruth's mother-in-law Naomi said to her, "My daughter, I must find a home for you, where you will be well provided for.

2 Now Boaz, with whose women you have worked, is a relative of ours. Tonight he will be winnowing barley on the threshing floor.

3 Wash, put on perfume, and get dressed in your best clothes. Then go down to the threshing floor, but don't let him know you are there until he has finished eating and drinking.

4 When he lies down, note the place where he is lying. Then go and uncover his feet and lie down. He will tell you what to do."

5 "I will do whatever you say," Ruth answered.

Naomi Gains a Son

13 So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife. When he made love to her, the LORD enabled her to conceive, and she gave birth to a son.

14 The women said to Naomi: "Praise be to the LORD, who this day has not left you without a guardian-redeemer. May he become famous throughout Israel!

15 He will renew your life and sustain you in your old age. For your daughter-in-law, who loves you and who is better to you than seven sons, has given him birth."

16 Then Naomi took the child in her arms and cared for him.

17 The women living there said, "Naomi has a son!" And they named him Obed. He was the father of Jesse, the father of David.

"I like to encourage people to realize that any action is a good action if it's proactive and there is positive intent behind it."

~ Michael J. Fox

There is no substitute for hard work. ~ T Edison

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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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Hebrews 9:24-28 (NIV)

24 For Christ did not enter a sanctuary made with human hands that was only a copy of the true one; he entered heaven itself, now to appear for us in God's presence.

25 Nor did he enter heaven to offer himself again and again, the way the high priest enters the Most Holy Place every year with blood that is not his own.

26 Otherwise Christ would have had to suffer many times since the creation of the world. But he has appeared once for all at the culmination of the ages to do away with sin by the sacrifice of himself.

27 Just as people are destined to die once, and after that to face judgment, **28** so Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many; and he will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him.

Psalms 127 (NIV)

1 Unless the LORD builds the house, the builders labour in vain.

Unless the LORD watches over the city, the guards stand watch in vain.

2 In vain you rise early and stay up late, toiling for food to eat—

for he grants sleep to those he loves.

3 Children are a heritage from the LORD, offspring a reward from him.

4 Like arrows in the hands of a warrior are children born in one's youth.

5 Blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them. They will not be put to shame when they contend with their opponents in court.



The best angle from which to approach any problem is the TRY-ANGLE. ~ anon



CHURCH SERVICES

We hope to resume services again shortly.



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IN OUR PRAYERS

- We pray for friends of our congregation members who are facing health issues at the moment.
- We pray for people throughout the world who have so little.
- We give thanks that the number of new Covid cases in New South Wales is down, but continue to pray for everyone in the Hunter-New England regions.
- The birdsong this spring has been spectacular. We thank God for all of his gifts to us.



Mark 12: 38 - 44 + Musings:

Is Jesus teaching a new form of arithmetic? He has just witnessed wealthy people making a big deal of tipping bags of money into the Temple collection box. Then a poor widow creeps in, and slips in two tiny coins. Jesus is full of praise for the widow. The difference? The widow gave all that she had, whilst others gave some of their excess. Jesus is focussed on proportions, rather than total amounts. Jesus can see what it cost the widow to give two tiny coins, and what it cost the wealthy people to give their bags of cash. Our world leaders are meeting in Glasgow to discuss climate change, and what they can do about it. There will be all sorts of "rubbery" figures thrown about. Dollar values, emissions, deforestation and fossil fuel targets will all be assessed and scrutinised. Fingers will wag, and heads will be shaken. Sums will be redone, in an attempt to meet new goals. Let's hope and pray that these leaders can see through to the real value of things, as Jesus did.

Blessings from Meg



Mark 12:38-44 (NIV)

Warning Against the Teachers of the Law

³⁸ As he taught, Jesus said, "Watch out for the teachers of the law. They like to walk around in flowing robes and be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, ³⁹ and have the most important seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at banquets.

⁴⁰ They devour widows' houses and for a show make lengthy prayers. These men will be punished most severely."

The Widow's Offering

⁴¹ Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts.

⁴² But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few cents.

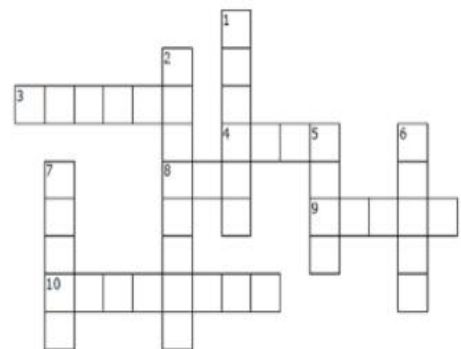
⁴³ Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others.

⁴⁴ They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on."

The Widow's Mite

But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a fraction of a penny. Mark 12:42

Based on Mark 12:38-44



ACROSS

3. A reddish-brown metal which is sometimes used in making coins
4. Having little or no wealth
8. The entire amount; everything
9. A small piece of flat, circular metal, used for money
10. A contribution or gift made at a religious service

DOWN

1. A building used for worship
2. A place where funds are received, kept, and dispensed
5. Having great material wealth
6. The official currency issued by a government
7. A woman whose husband has died and who has not remarried

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