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Galatians 5:1, 13-16, 22-26 (NIV)

Freedom in Christ

5 It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.

Life by the Spirit

13 You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love.

14 For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: "Love your neighbor as yourself."

15 If you bite and devour each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other.

16 So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh.

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, **23** gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.

24 Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

25 Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.

26 Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.

Luke 9:51-62 (NIV)

Samaritan Opposition

51 As the time approached for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem.

52 And he sent messengers on ahead, who went into a Samaritan village to get things ready for him; **53** but the people there did not welcome him, because he was heading for Jerusalem.

54 When the disciples James and John saw this, they asked, "Lord, do you want us to call fire down from heaven to destroy them?"

55 But Jesus turned and rebuked them.

56 Then he and his disciples went to another village.

The Cost of Following Jesus

57 As they were walking along the road, a man said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go."

58 Jesus replied, "Foxes have dens and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head."

59 He said to another man, "Follow me." But he replied, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father."

60 Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and proclaim the kingdom of God."

61 Still another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but first let me go back and say goodbye to my family."

62 Jesus replied, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God."

Other Lectionary Reading for this week:

2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14 Psalm 77:1-2,11-20

Galatians 5:1, 13-25



Now that we have learned to fly the air like birds, swim under water like fish, we lack one thing - to learn to live on earth as human beings. ~ George Bernard Shaw

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



We hope to send 25 boxes again this year.

Small toys and balls, toothbrushes etc would be much appreciated.



Fabulous Finds Op Shop @ Hallsville
Open 9:00 to 1:00pm, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays.

CHURCH SERVICES

3 July 11 am West ~ Ana Davidson



1st Sunday of the month ~ Luncheon @ West


4th Sunday of the month ~ Markets @ Hallsville



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



IN OUR PRAYERS

- We pray for the Wenham family, especially Jane. Bob passed away recently.
- John Murray is now in Nioka. We pray for him, and for his family. 
- We pray for Beryl, Evelyn's Mum. We also pray for Evelyn and Tony as they prepare to travel to Canada to visit Beryl.
- Baby Ferdinand is making slow progress. We continue to keep him in our prayers.
- Our continued prayers are needed for the people of Ukraine.



Meg's Musings

It is now over 4 months since Russian troops invaded Ukraine. Life has been turned upside-down for everyone in Ukraine. However, the pain and disruption doesn't end there. Sowing and harvesting of wheat and other cereal and oil crops has been disrupted. Crops which have been harvested are unable to be exported, as Russians have blocked the Ukrainian harbours. People in Africa and the Middle East are in need of that food. The price of oil and gas has escalated, causing world-wide inflation. It seems that the will of Vladimir Putin is impacting on most of the people on our planet. Jesus life has also had a strong influence on billions of people - but his is the influence of love, not hate. It seems that Putin will be remembered for the hate, damage and fear he has created. Let's trust that people will remember us for our loving acts and words.

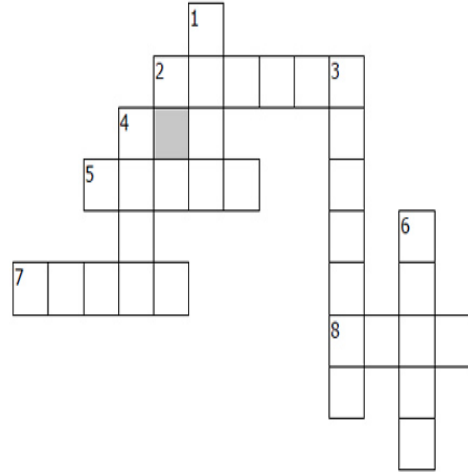
Blessing from Meg

THE GRANDFATHER WAS WALKING THROUGH HIS YARD WHEN HE HEARD HIS GRANDDAUGHTER REPEATING THE ALPHABET IN A TONE OF VOICE THAT SOUNDED LIKE PRAYER. HE ASKED HER WHAT SHE WAS DOING. THE LITTLE GIRL EXPLAINED: 'I'M PRAYING, BUT I CAN'T THINK OF EXACTLY THE RIGHT WORDS, SO I'M JUST SAYING ALL THE LETTERS, AND GOD WILL PUT THEM TOGETHER FOR ME BECAUSE HE KNOWS WHAT I'M THINKING.'

Hold on to Jesus

Jesus replied, "Foxes have holes and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head." Luke 9:58 (NIV)

Based on Luke 9:56-58



ACROSS

- 2. To walk behind someone
- 5. Animals similar to dogs with a long, bushy tail
- 7. Creatures with feathers and wings, usually able to fly
- 8. A home for birds

DOWN

- 1. An opening in the ground where an animal might live
- 3. Traveling on foot
- 4. A pathway for vehicles, people, and animals
- 6. The Son of God

Hold on to Jesus

You're a little piece of heaven
 You're a golden ray of light.
 And I wish I could protect you
 From the worries of this life.
 But if there's one thing I could tell you
 It's no matter what you do
 Hold to Jesus,
 He's holding onto you.

~ Erin O'Donnell

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Mission: "Called to be Free, Gifted to Serve."



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