



# Peel Valley Congregation

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## Luke 10: 38-42 (NIV)

### At the Home of Martha and Mary

<sup>38</sup> As Jesus and his disciples were on their way, he came to a village where a woman named Martha opened her home to him.

<sup>39</sup> She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet listening to what he said.

<sup>40</sup> But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made. She came to him and asked, "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!"

<sup>41</sup> "Martha, Martha," the Lord answered, "you are worried and upset about many things,

<sup>42</sup> but few things are needed—or indeed only one. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her."

PEOPLE ARE OFTEN UNREASONABLE AND SELF-CENTERED

**FORGIVE THEM ANYWAY**

IF YOU ARE KIND PEOPLE MAY ACCUSE YOU OF ULTERIOR MOTIVES

**BE KIND ANYWAY**

IF YOU ARE HONEST PEOPLE MAY CHEAT YOU

**BE HONEST ANYWAY**

IF YOU FIND HAPPINESS PEOPLE MAY BE JEALOUS

**BE HAPPY ANYWAY**

THE GOOD YOU DO TODAY MAY BE FORGOTTEN TOMORROW

**DO GOOD ANYWAY**

GIVE THE WORLD THE BEST YOU HAVE AND IT MAY NEVER BE ENOUGH

**GIVE YOUR BEST ANYWAY**

FOR YOU SEE IN THE END IT IS

**BETWEEN YOU AND GOD**

IT WAS NEVER BETWEEN YOU AND THEM ANYWAY

~ Mother Teresa

## Psalm 52 (NIV)

<sup>1</sup> Why do you boast of evil, you mighty hero?

Why do you boast all day long, you who are a disgrace in the eyes of God?

<sup>2</sup> You who practice deceit, your tongue plots destruction; it is like a sharpened razor.

<sup>3</sup> You love evil rather than good, falsehood rather than speaking the truth.

<sup>4</sup> You love every harmful word, you deceitful tongue!

<sup>5</sup> Surely God will bring you down to everlasting ruin:

He will snatch you up and pluck you from your tent;

he will uproot you from the land of the living.

<sup>6</sup> The righteous will see and fear; they will laugh at you, saying,

<sup>7</sup> "Here now is the man who did not make God his stronghold but trusted in his great wealth and grew strong by destroying others!"

<sup>8</sup> But I am like an olive tree flourishing in the house of God; I trust in God's unfailing love for ever and ever.

<sup>9</sup> For what you have done I will always praise you

in the presence of your faithful people.

And I will hope in your name, for your name is good.

## Other Lectionary Reading for this week:

Amos 8:1-12

Colossians 1:15-28



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



### IN OUR PRAYERS

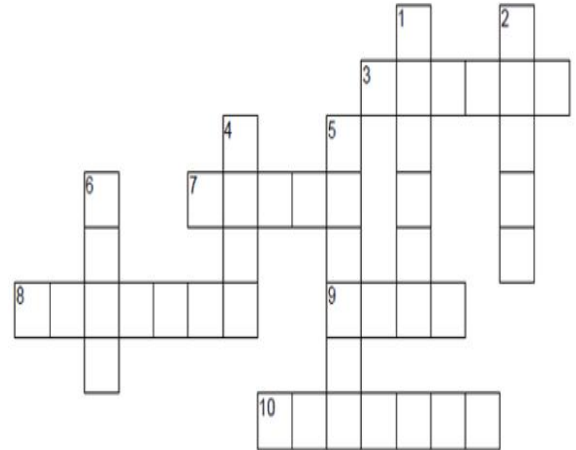
- We pray for the people of Ukraine. They have refused to capitulate to Russian troops, but are bearing a terrible cost.
- We pray for safe travel for everyone returning home after the school holidays.
- We pray for the many people battling 'flu and/or Covid.
- We give thanks for heaters, fires, rugs and electric blankets to keep us warm.
- We pray for the many people we know who have lost loved ones this year.



## At the Feet of Jesus

"Martha, Martha," the Lord answered, "you are worried and upset about many things, but few things are needed—or indeed only one. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her." Luke 10:41-42 (NIV)

Puzzle is based on Luke 10:38-42



#### ACROSS

- 3. To pay attention to what someone says
- 7. An adult female human
- 8. A very small town
- 9. Activity, such as a job, which a person performs; labor
- 10. To be concerned about something; to be troubled

#### DOWN

- 1. A female having the same parents as another person
- 2. The son of God
- 4. The place where a family lives
- 5. A spoken or written reply to a question
- 6. To give assistance to someone



### Meg's Musings

One of the lectionary readings for this week is from Amos 8.

It speaks about a vision of a basket of ripe fruit. In last week's reading, Amos described God speaking to him about checking a wall with a plumb-line. They are simple, practical illustrations, and speak about God's understanding of his people. In some ways, life today is far more complex. Yet, the simple precepts of right and wrong are still the same. What God asks of us hasn't changed over the centuries. In the past week, in Sri Lanka and Britain, we have seen examples of leaders who have had to resign because they have not done the right thing - they have acted corruptly, and they have lied. The plumb-line has found them wanting, and the fruits of their behaviour are obvious to all. In little things, and in big things, God wants all people to take his values as our own.

Blessing from Meg

**I asked my daughter to give me a phone book. She laughed at me, called me a boomer and lent me her iPhone. So, the spider is dead, her iPhone is broken and my daughter is furious....**

### OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



We hope to send 25 boxes again this year.

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

- 18 July ~ Donna Harrow
- 26 July ~ Beulah Fenwick
- 26 July ~ Sue Budden
- 27 July ~ Amity Debenham



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Open 9:00 to 1:00pm,  
Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays.

### CHURCH SERVICES

24 July 11 am West ~ Meg Mangan



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



### 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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