



# Peel Valley Congregation

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## Luke 12:32-40 (NLT)

<sup>32</sup> "So don't be afraid, little flock. For it gives your Father great happiness to give you the Kingdom.

<sup>33</sup> "Sell your possessions and give to those in need. This will store up treasure for you in heaven! And the purses of heaven never get old or develop holes. Your treasure will be safe; no thief can steal it and no moth can destroy it.

<sup>34</sup> Wherever your treasure is, there the desires of your heart will also be.

### Be Ready for the Lord's Coming

<sup>35</sup> "Be dressed for service and keep your lamps burning, <sup>36</sup> as though you were waiting for your master to return from the wedding feast. Then you will be ready to open the door and let him in the moment he arrives and knocks.

<sup>37</sup> The servants who are ready and waiting for his return will be rewarded. I tell you the truth, he himself will seat them, put on an apron, and serve them as they sit and eat!

<sup>38</sup> He may come in the middle of the night or just before dawn. But whenever he comes, he will reward the servants who are ready.

<sup>39</sup> "Understand this: If a homeowner knew exactly when a burglar was coming, he would not permit his house to be broken into.

<sup>40</sup> You also must be ready all the time, for the Son of Man will come when least expected."

## Hebrew 11:1 - 3 (NLT)

### Great Examples of Faith

**11** Faith shows the reality of what we hope for; it is the evidence of things we cannot see.

<sup>2</sup> Through their faith, the people in days of old earned a good reputation.

<sup>3</sup> By faith we understand that the entire universe was formed at God's command, that what we now see did not come from anything that can be seen.

- 1 Jesus bids us shine, with a clear, pure light,  
Like a little candle burning in the night;  
In this world of darkness we must shine,  
You in your small corner, and I in mine.
- 2 Jesus bids us shine, first of all for Him;  
Well He sees and knows it if our light is dim;  
He looks down from heaven, sees us shine,  
You in your small corner, and I in mine.
- 3 Jesus bids us shine, then, for all around  
Many kinds of darkness in this world abound  
Sin, and want, and sorrow: we must shine,  
You in your small corner, and I in mine.
- 4 Jesus bids us shine, as we work for Him,  
Bringing those that wander from the paths of sin;  
He will ever help us, if we shine,  
You in your small corner, and I in mine.

~ Susan Warner

When I woke up this morning I asked myself,  
"What is life about?"

I found the answer in my room:

The fan said, "Be cool."

The roof said, "Aim high."

The window said, "See the world!"

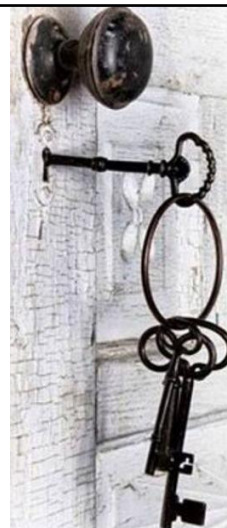
The clock said, "Every minute is precious."

The mirror said, "Reflect before you act."

The calendar said, "Be up to date."

The door said, "Push hard for your goals."

The floor said, "Kneel down and pray and be thankful for what you have." ~ anon



Prayer  
is the key to  
heaven but  
Faith  
unlocks the  
door.

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



### IN OUR PRAYERS

- We give thanks that Shirley Whitten is now home, after spending several months in hospital in Melbourne and Tamworth.
- Our prayers for the people of Ukraine continue.
- We pray for Evelyn's Mum in Canada. We also pray for Evelyn and Tony.
- We pray for the Brown and Fenwick families, who have Covid, and other health issues at the moment.



We are not all in the same boat. We are in the same storm.

Some have yachts, some have canoes, and some are drowning. Just be kind and help whoever you can. ~ Tiny Buddha



### Meg's Musings

Our nation is justifiably proud of the sporting prowess of our Commonwealth Games team at Birmingham.

It has been wonderful to see athletes who are enjoying competing. It has been good to see competitors - both from the same nation, and those from a range of nations - embrace each other, acknowledging that each person has done their best.

New records have set, and new friendships have been formed.

Although our nation may have the highest medal tally to date, it doesn't make us any better than any other nation.

It simply means that our athletes have been given opportunities to shine in a way that some other people have not.

Athletics is only one aspect of our humanity. There are lots of other important traits too.

Seeing athletes happy, and feeling fulfilled is the best reward they can receive..... no matter which nation they represent.

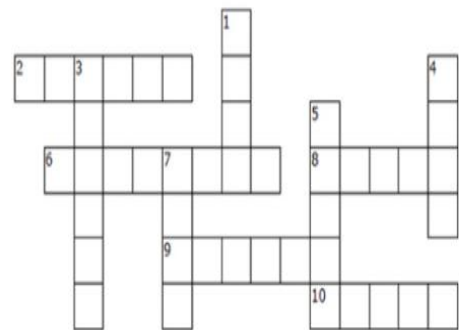
Blessing from Meg

## Treasures in Heaven

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Luke 12:34 (NIV)

This puzzle is based on Luke 12:32-34 (NIV)

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### ACROSS

- The home where we will live forever with God
- Valuable things such as gold, silver, jewels, or money
- The organ that pumps blood through the body
- Small in size
- A group of sheep that live or feed together

### DOWN

- Having little money or possessions
- Filled with fear
- An insect with wings similar to a butterfly, usually flies at night, and is attracted to light
- Someone who steals
- To exchange or deliver something for money

### Other Lectionary Reading for this week:

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20 Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23  
Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16



Heaven on Earth is a choice you must make, not a place you must find.— Wayne Dyer



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



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### CHURCH SERVICES

14 August ~ 11am West ~ Marg Crowell



I believe churches are meant for praising God, but so are car rides, showers, coffee shops, the gym, conversations with friends and strangers...

Don't let a building confine your faith because we will never change the world by just going to church...

**WE NEED TO BE THE CHURCH!!** ~ unknown

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