



Peel Valley Congregation

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Luke 12:49-56 (NLT)

Jesus Causes Division

⁴⁹ "I have come to set the world on fire, and I wish it were already burning!

⁵⁰ I have a terrible baptism of suffering ahead of me, and I am under a heavy burden until it is accomplished.

⁵¹ Do you think I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I have come to divide people against each other!

⁵² From now on families will be split apart, three in favour of me, and two against—or two in favour and three against.

⁵³ 'Father will be divided against son and son against father; mother against daughter and daughter against mother; and mother-in-law against daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

⁵⁴ Then Jesus turned to the crowd and said, "When you see clouds beginning to form in the west, you say, 'Here comes a shower.' And you are right.

⁵⁵ When the south wind blows, you say, 'Today will be a scorcher.' And it is.

⁵⁶ You fools! You know how to interpret the weather signs of the earth and sky, but you don't know how to interpret the present times.

Isaiah 5:1-7 (NLT)

A Song about the LORD's Vineyard

⁵ Now I will sing for the one I love a song about his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a rich and fertile hill.

² He plowed the land, cleared its stones, and planted it with the best vines. In the middle he built a watchtower and carved a winepress in the nearby rocks.

Then he waited for a harvest of sweet grapes, but the grapes that grew were bitter.

³ Now, you people of Jerusalem and Judah, you judge between me and my vineyard.

⁴ What more could I have done for my vineyard that I have not already done?

When I expected sweet grapes, why did my vineyard give me bitter grapes?

⁵ Now let me tell you what I will do to my vineyard: I will tear down its hedges and let it be destroyed.

I will break down its walls and let the animals trample it.

⁶ I will make it a wild place where the vines are not pruned and the ground is not hoed, a place overgrown with briars and thorns. I will command the clouds to drop no rain on it.

⁷ The nation of Israel is the vineyard of the LORD of Heaven's Armies. The people of Judah are his pleasant garden.

He expected a crop of justice, but instead he found oppression.

He expected to find righteousness, but instead he heard cries of violence.



Wise Old Owl

A wise old owl sat in an oak,
The more he heard,
the less he spoke;
The less he spoke,
the more he heard;
Why aren't we be
like that wise old bird?

~ Unknown

Imagine all the people living life in peace. You may say I'm a dreamer, but I'm not the only one. I hope someday you'll join us, and the world will be as one. ~ John Lennon

I haven't lost all my marbles yet
But there is definitely a small hole in
the bag somewhere. ~ unknown



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IN OUR PRAYERS

- We pray for Shirley Whitten. Although she is now out of hospital, she is still experiencing a lot of pain.
- We give thanks that Evelyn and Tony have been able to extend their time in Canada, and pray that they have a safe and enjoyable break.
- We continue to pray for the people of Ukraine - for their safety, and for their freedom.
- We pray for our members in Aged Care facilities; Noreen Dobbie, Patrick Johnston and Phyll Bylund.
- We pray for the many people who have Covid19.

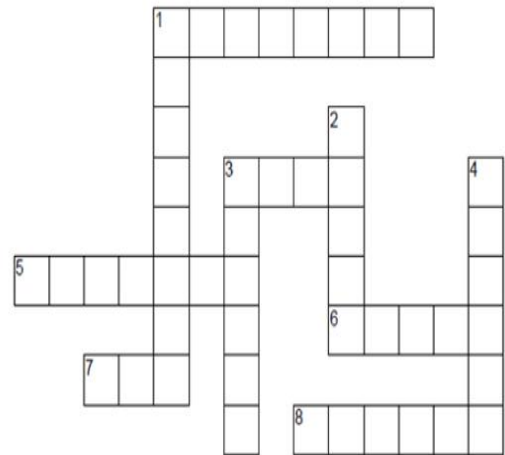


A wise man was asked "What is anger?"
He gave a beautiful answer, "It is a punishment you give to yourself, for somebody else's mistakes. ~ unknown

The Dividing Line

"Do you think I came to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but division." Luke 12:51 (NIV)

Puzzle is based on Luke 12:49-53



ACROSS

1. A female child of human parents
3. A chemical change that releases heat and light and is accompanied by flame
5. To be immersed in water
6. The third planet from the sun
7. A male child of human parents
8. The male parent

DOWN

1. Separating into parts or pieces
2. The absence of war
3. Members of a household usually consisting of parents and their children
4. The female parent



Meg's Musings

Our Jonquils have had their best winter ever, with lots of yellow and creamy-white flowers. I guess that the damp ground has suited them.

There has been enough sunshine to keep our Gazanias happy too, and one of our succulents has spikes of bright orange flowers.

The Native Daisy bush has many bright yellow flowers, and the Rosemary has bees busily at work among its prolific purple blooms.

Whilst Roses, Chrysanthemums, Irises and Emu Bushes are having a rest, other plants are providing colour and scents during the winter.

Some plants are at their best in summer, whilst spring is the preferred time for other varieties.

Some plants grow large, and provide shade; others are much smaller, which makes it easier for us to pick their flowers. Each has their place, and their purpose.

Each of us needs to spend time with God to know how we fit in, and what our purpose is in life. Unlike plants, our purpose can change several times over a lifetime!

I pray that you are confident in playing your part in God's world.

Blessing from Meg

- 9 August ~ Ross Davidson
- 13 August ~ Judy Lennon
- 28 August ~ Anna Davidson
- 30 August ~ Denby Budden
- 31 August ~ Fiona Hansford
- 31 August ~ Alan Littlejohns



Other Lectionary Reading for this week:

Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19 Hebrews 11:29-12:2



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



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CHURCH SERVICES

21 August ~ 8.30am Gowrie ~ Meg Mangan

21 August ~ 11am West ~ Meg Mangan



1st Sunday of the month ~ Luncheon @ West

4th Sunday of the month ~ Markets @ Hallsville



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