



The Grapevine 20/9/2020

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#1 Faith is like...A mustard seed - Matthew 17:19 - 23

Over the next 5 weeks we are going to explore

Faith is LIKE a Mustard seed

Faith is LIKE a Muscle

Faith is LIKE a Soldier (2 Tim 2:1 – 7)

Faith is LIKE an Athlete “

Faith is LIKE a Farmer “

There are lots of other ways we can describe and explore faith.

During your life you could describe Faith is like “wading through mud”, “swimming”, “playing footy” or any other manner of metaphors.

Faith is very personal and therefore different for each of us, because we have different experiences and events that impact us, so this makes it interesting when exploring how faith varies for us all.

Is there a metaphor you would use to describe faith or even your own faith?

In Matthew 17:20, Jesus said to his disciples

“For truly I tell you, if you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, ‘Move from here to there,’ and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you.”

WOW... what does Jesus mean by this?

We don't need BIG faith... is Jesus saying that all we need for our faith to be significant and powerful is something very small?

So stay tuned over the next 5 weeks as we grow our Faith.

Rev D. IPrior

OUR MISSION:

*To be a vibrant, growing community of faith,
reaching out in God's love, bringing others to Christ.*

Greetings dear friends,

Our dear Judy Cassidy passed away peacefully last Friday 11th September at Cottage Grove, where she has resided for the past 4 months.

Judy (with late husband Don), was a much loved member of The Vines Church family & the local community for over 20 years.

She will be remembered for her energy, loving care & faithful service & ministry among us, especially with the Adult Fellowship& the wider Uniting Church Adult Fellowship.

Her expressive reading of Scripture has blessed us all..... "Well done, good & faithful servant".

Judy's funeral will be conducted at The Vines Church this Friday, 18th September at 11am.....with Rev David Prior.

Unfortunately, due to Covid restrictions, the attendance for Judy's funeral is by **family invitation only**.

Together we can connect at that time.....and join in prayer, to give thanks and celebrate Judy's wonderful life.....and prayerfully support her loving family.

With thanks & blessings,
Judy



BOOKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR SUNDAY SERVICE:

As in past weeks, tickets can be booked through **Humanitix** from 3pm on Sunday, until 11 am on Friday. Google **Humanitix**, click on "events", and in the box that says "search events" type in "The Vines Uniting Church". Click on the event and book your tickets. Please fill in your phone number should the need for Covid tracking ever arise.

If you **NEED HELP** with booking, please contact
Colleen - H: 7220 7383 M: 0430 646 844
or Judy - H: 8322 0892 M: 0402 249 324

Please do not attend the Sunday Service if you are at all unwell.

Should you need **TO CANCEL** your tickets, please let Colleen or Judy know by **4 pm on Thursday 24th September**, (unless there are unexpected circumstances).

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECKS

Please ensure that you have a current Working with Children check if you are, or will be, working with Children at the Vines.

They can be obtained through the Department of Human Services – Screening Unit. Please let Colleen know if you need help to apply and please give her a copy for the office files if you already have one.

LIVE STREAMED SERVICE

Please use the following link to access Sunday's live streamed service:

https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=the+vines+uniting+church

Join us for online tea and coffee after church again this Sunday

This Sunday, 20th September there will be another VIRTUAL coffee and tea after Church via Zoom. Visitors welcome!

START TIME SUNDAY 13th SEPTEMBER.

Log in between **11:00am – 11:30am** via video conference software called Zoom. Free

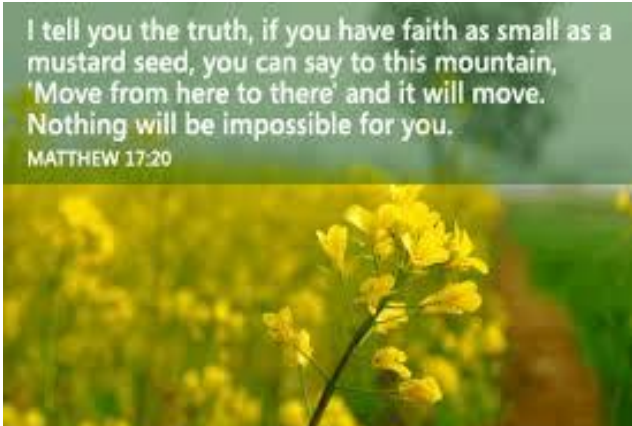
Simply click on the link below and you will be automatically sent to the group chat.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5418125736>

Meeting ID: 541 812 5736

Please contact Adrian Spencer if you need help.

Please note that Sue and John Cook no longer have the land-line number 8278 6785 as per the Vines directory. Also, the mobile number listed for Sue is incorrect: It is 0408 819 329. John's number is 0417 823 775.



I tell you the truth, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you.

MATTHEW 17:20

Next Week:

27th September

Rev. David Prior

#2 Faith is LIKE a Muscle

Proverbs 3:1 – 6



Faith Is like a Muscle

Love Feeds It & Suffering (resistance) Strengthens It

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Remember OUR key MESSAGE:

"Phone a Friend and Choose Life"

'Cos you can't catch the virus over the phone...

But you can pass on God's love!'



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