

THE VINES UNITING CHURCH

26 The Grape: "Something to chew on."

Good morning!

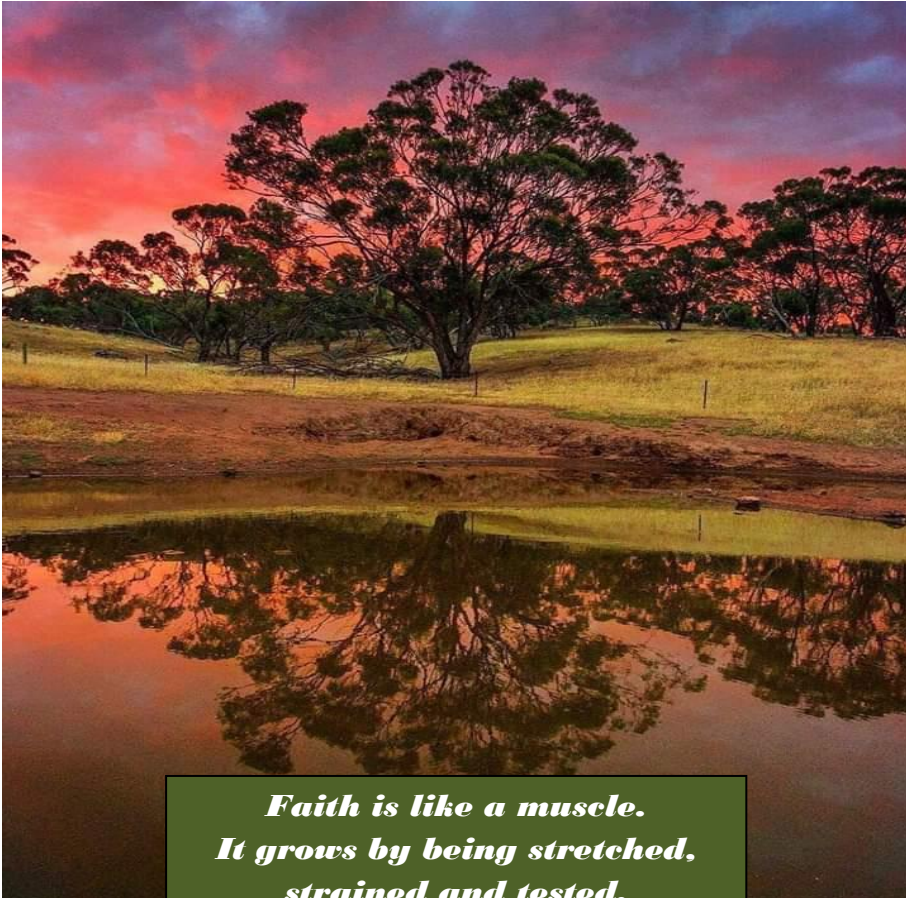
Saturday 26th September 2020



The GRAPE: It is a solitary thing and yet even in isolation it has come from a bunch and the bunch is connected to the Vine.



#2 Faith is like...A Muscle - 1 Timothy 4:6 – 10



***Faith is like a muscle.
It grows by being stretched,
strained and tested.***

FAITH IS LIKE... A MUSCLE:

How many times do we talk about Faith as if it is something that we either have or we don't?

If faith is trust we are using Trust all the time.

Someone fixes our car, we have to trust them. Years ago my Tarago needed an extensive motor rebuild and the person I got to fix the motor failed and if my family had got SAFM to do a prank call on me, I would be a cabinetmaker now!

Trust impacts our lives every day, including betrayal issues.

How then do we translate our earthy experiences of Trust onto our heavenly Father / Parent? If our relationship with God is based on Trust what happens if we feel God has let us down.

The Bible is blunt: God is trustworthy.

e.g. Psalm 22 is full of Trust and ironically Pain and Hope.

The Bible is very honest about the trauma and hardship we as humans experience and yet the invitation is to continue to TRUST.

Q. How does your Trust in God / Jesus shape your life?

Q. Are you able to recall a number of times you trusted God / Jesus and it worked out well?

Building TRUST into our lives FUTURE PROOFS our lives, because HOPE is something that entrenches itself in our thinking processes.

Q. What do you think about that for a quote?

Maybe one of my better ones?

How would you describe the role of Trust in your life?

27th SEPTEMBER 20 INTERIM WORSHIP:

TIME: 09.30am Service Sunday morning (45 mins ish)

Max attendance 51 people (includes Worship team)

Again, thanks for your patience and understanding as the Leadership and Worship teams review and explore what works best at Sunday Services during Covid restrictions. You'll be glad to hear that tomorrow congregational singing will commence again, in this one step at a time process.

Service - Recorded and LIVE STREAMED onto Vines Web page.

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

BOOKING ARRANGEMENTS

Please book your tickets for next week's service through **Humanitix** from 3pm on Sunday 27th September until 11 am on Friday 2nd Oct., or phone Judy or Colleen if you need help.

Should you need **TO CANCEL** your tickets, please let Colleen or Judy know by **4 pm on Thurs 1st October** (unless there are unexpected circumstances), to enable them to rebook the tickets.

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

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!



FAITH

*Stone by stone a wall is built,
And each stone must lie square.
Little by little a rose unfolds,
And each petal must be fair.
Little by little faith is built,
And day by day it grows.
Stronger at last than a wall of stone
And lovelier than a rose.*

60 Short prayers for a long day



NO Sunday School @ Church – 27th September

ZOOM Children's Sunday Morning Chat

10.45 am with Rev David and co.

If you have Grandchildren who may be interested, please email Rev David at davidprior@bigpond.com today to get linked in.

Grace and Forgiveness