



The Grapevine 18/7/2021

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LIVING BY FAITH #4: *The Love of Christ compels us.* **2 COR 5:14 – 15**

¹⁴For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. ¹⁵And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them."

Paul's encounter with the risen Lord (read Acts chapter 9) was so transforming that he gave up a promising career as a Pharisee to end up mending tents and becoming an itinerant preacher! (Not sure what his wife thought?) Paul is a terrible advertisement for high flying individuals wanting success, because he seemed to either get shipwrecked, gaoled or chased with rocks with more frequency than people living in some of the most challenging places in the world.

However, one of the reasons we listen and read scripture is because it is a catalyst for reflection on our lives as individuals and a community. As we consider the impact that the Risen Lord had on others, this can generate awareness of our own encounter with the Risen Lord.

Who is Jesus to us?

What is the response Jesus asks of us?

How does gratitude for the gift of love impact our earthly lives?

Do we believe there is life beyond this earthly existence?

If so how does that shape our behaviour and choices here on earth?

Re-read the verses at the top of this page. Does Paul have a clear WHY for his life? Paul's conviction stirred him to action throughout his entire life, not just his early years. I often marvel at the ongoing passion of those who continue to live out their faith in love and service within this congregation. This is the point Paul is making, the compelling nature of God's love never changes, because God's love is eternally constant.

Peace, Rev DJPrior

❖ **OUR VISION:**

To be a vibrant, growing community of Faith.

❖ **OUR MISSION:**

*To reach out and reflect God's Love –
connecting others to Christ.*

VINES MARKET

It's not long now till the next Vines Market at the Reynella Neighbourhood Centre –

***Saturday 31st July
From 10 am to 2 pm***

The last 2 markets have been very successful and we look forward to the next one, which will have a “Christmas in July” theme.

Please consider how you might support this event as we make our presence known in the community.

Anything you would like to create for the stall would be much appreciated and valued. The market starts at 10 am, but goods would need to be delivered to the stall by 9am.

Please speak to Leon or Marj if you have any questions.



Remember OUR key MESSAGE:

Connect with others and CHOOSE LIFE

'Cos to Grow stronger through COVID

We *have to* pass on God's love!

FOOD PARCEL MINISTRY

Thank you for your continued support for this Ministry.

This week we need the following items:

- Tinned Soup
- Tinned Vegetables
- Toiletries
- Or a Cash Donation marked FOOD PARCEL MINISTRY.

Thank you again and may God bless you

Leon and the Pastoral Team.

CHURCH SEATING

Please remember to leave a chair between you and the next person during Sunday services in line with Covid restrictions.

If you are a couple or family, or if you come to church with someone, you can sit together, just leave a space between your group and the next person.

Thank you!

LIVE STREAMED WORSHIP SERVICES

Each Sunday our worship services at the Vines can be accessed live at 9:30am via our YouTube channel. Please use the following link to access our services,

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

After the livestream, each service will remain on our YouTube channel for watching later. They can be accessed using the same link.

Next week:

**LIVING BY FAITH #5: *If anyone is in Christ,
they are a new creation.***

2 COR 5:16-21 Trevor Hayley

*Our Children's Church....Sessions are held
fortnightly, during the services at the Church.*

See below for the scheduled weeks:

Sunday 25th July

Sunday 8th August

Kristen Waters and Renjini Samuel

Children's
CHURCH



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