

"The Case of Christ" (John 18:1–14)

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"Jesus commanded Peter, "Put your sword away! Shall I not drink the cup the Father has given me?" (John 18:11)

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April

9AM Pavid Eden

"The Case of Christ" (John 18:1-14) Shought for the Week

The Donkey: When fishes flew and forests walked And figs grew upon thorn, Some moment when the moon was blood Then surely I was born. With monstrous head and sickening cry And ears like errant wings. The devil's walking parody On all four-footed things. The tattered outlaw of the earth. Of ancient crooked will: Starve, scourge, deride me: I am dumb, I keep my secret still. Fools! For I also had my hour; One far fierce hour and sweet: There was a shout about my ears. And palms before my feet.

G. K. Chesterton, was an English writer, lay theologian, poet, philosopher, journalist, orator, literary & art critic, biographer, and Christian apologist. Chesterton's poem The Donkey is a classic of reversed perspectives -'unexpected prophecy in the mouth of a donkey ... highly suitable for celebrating Palm Sunday, the festival of the king who rides humbly on an ass, rather than on a war horse like the Roman conquerors'. The whole poem is written with the donkey as the narrator and never really moves beyond that perspective. A lot is implied about the Person the donkey is carrying although Jesus is never actually mentioned by name? The reader is expected to be familiar with the Palm Sunday story and therefore able to 'fill in the gaps' or 'join up the dots' so to speak. But even for those of us who are familiar with the Palm Sunday story there is much here to make us think more deeply and radically about the significance of the events on that unique day 2,000 years ago. Those of us who are familiar with the Bible are perhaps reminded of another donkey that spoke in the Bible - Balaam's ass (Numbers 22) who saw and responded to an angel while his master remained oblivious?

~ G. K. Chesterton (1874-1936)

So ... if you think that you are useless, that you have nothing much to offer, that everybody else dismisses you, that you actually don't even think much of yourself ...be encouraged! You may very well be just the person God is looking for ... right here, right now!

David Eden

What's on?

MONDAY 5PM Walking Soccer

9AM Prayer Meeting

9AM Quilters/Craft



If you would like to know more about our Home Groups, contact our coordinator Beth Pfeffer: 0449 584 284

EASTER SERVICES

WFDNFSDAY

THURSDAY

Easter is just around the corner, and with that just a reminder of our services. We will have our Good Friday service (18th April) starting at 8am, and our Easter Sunday service (20th April) will begin at our normal time of 9am.

SOS BBQ BOAT TRIP POSTPONED

Due to expected bad weather the trip had to be postponed. The new date is now Thursday May 8th. Please see Anneli for a refund if you CAN'T make this date OR fill in the list in the fover if you CAN.

CLEAN OUT OF SOCCER SHED

We are having a clean out of the soccer sheds and are looking for some people to come and give a hand in a tidy up before the home games start. We will be doing this on Saturday 26th, 8am.

MEN'S MINISTRY DATE CHANGE

Due to the fact that some of the men won't be able to attend the 10th May because of soccer home games, the next Men's breakfast meeting will be a round of golf at Noosa Hills par 3 course on the 17th May . It will be \$ 40 for the 18 holes. Please put your name on the list or email Richard at rvaneckaus@gmail.com

17th Jessica Gallagher 19th Marthie Robinson

Birthdays

Prayer Points

- Praise God that Alan's health has improved
- Pray for our youth group and kid's ignite Pray that we would see these kids saved by God's sovereign grace working through the preaching of the gospel.
- Pray for the Forgeard family as they prepare for ministry here at CBBC
- "And take not the word of truth utterly out of my mouth, for my hope is in your rules. I will keep your law continually, forever and ever" (Psalm 119:43-44)