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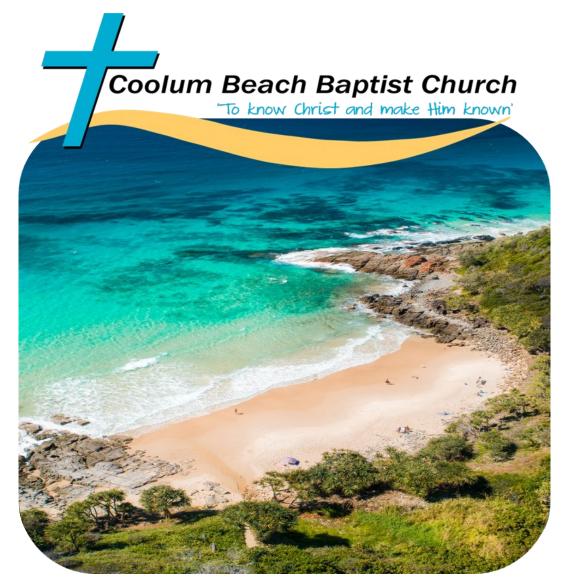
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"Share in the suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus 2 Timothy 2:3

18 May 9AM Pastor Harrison

"A Good Soldier's Call and Comfort" 2 Timothy 2:1–13

Thought for the Week

5 Reasons Why God Allows His Children to be Tempted (Part 2)

4. God allows His children to be tempted, that they may be fitter to comfort others who are in the same distress, and speak a word in due season to such as are weary.

Paul was trained up in the fencing-school of temptation, and was able to acquaint others with Satan's wiles and stratagems, 2 Corinthians 2:11. A man who has ridden over a place where there are quick-sands, is the fittest to guide others through that dangerous way. Just so, he who has been buffeted by Satan, and has felt the claws of the roaring lion, is the fittest man to deal with one who is tempted.

5. God allows His children to be tempted, to make them long more for Heaven, where they shall be out of gunshot, and freed from the hissing of the old serpent! Satan vexes and molests the saints. He lays his snares, and throws his fireballs! But this only makes the children of God long to be gone from hence, and pray that they had the wings of a dove, to fly away and be at rest! Heaven is the place of rest, no bullets of temptation fly there! The eagle that soars aloft in the air, and sits perching upon the tops of high tree, is not troubled with the stinging of serpents below. Just so, when believers have got into Heaven above, they shall not be stung by the old serpent! The devil is cast out of the heavenly paradise.

Heaven is compared to an exceeding high mountain. It is so high, that Satan's fiery darts cannot reach up to it! Death calls the saints off the battlefield, where the bullets of temptation fly thick, so that they may receive a victorious crown!

-Thomas Watson

Prayer Points

- Pray for our parents for wisdom, endurance, grace and that God would enable them to live and speak the gospel in their families.
- Pray for Mal & Janell Rutherford who have both been in hospital
- Pray for our Home Group leaders as they open their homes and lead home groups each week, for fruitful and encouraging time together.
- Praise God that each week non-Christians visitors have been present in our Sunday service.
- "Hot indignation seizes me because of the wicked who forsake your law. Your statutes have been my songs in the house of sojourning." (Psalm 119:53-54)

What's on?

MONDAY
5PM Walking Soccer

TUESDAY 9:30AM Playgroup

WEDNESDAY
9AM Prayer Meeting

THURSDAY
9AM Quilters/Craft

FRIDAY
9:30AM Playgroup
4PM Kids Ignite
& Youth

Birthdays 20th Dawn Johnston,

BAPTISM SUNDAY

We will be celebrating some baptisms on June 22. If you are interested in being baptised, please contact Bill



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

MEMORY WALK

Ryan and I are once again doing the Memory Walk and Jog to raise money for Dementia Australia. The walk is coming to Coolum Beach on Saturday 7th June. Everyone has a connection to dementia in some way, as we do too through my husband Paul who is in his tenth year of living with a form of Younger Onset Dementia. Please donate online via the QR code here OR search for Astrid Heckler or Team Paul at the website

www.memorywalk.com.au OR donate cash at the display in the gallery today or next week. Thank you, Astrid Heckler.

ALPHA COURSE

Initial plans are being made to run an Alpha course in Term 3. Alpha explains the gospel to non-Christians, new Christians, or anyone wanting to refresh their love for Jesus. Please contact Bill if you would like to attend, invite a friend, or help out with meals or group discussions.

SOCCER HOME GAME ON THE 24TH MAY

If you missed our first home game, don't worry. We have another home game coming up on the 24th May. So please put your name down on the roster out in the gallery.

MEN'S MINISTRY DATE CHANGE

Due the wet weather, the golf had to be cancelled and will now be on the 31st May at 9 am at the Noosa Hills Par 3 Course with a gunshot start at 9.05 am. Please bring your \$ 40 and some money for refreshments afterwards. There will be some prizes as well. Even if you are a non-golfer, just come and walk with us.