

# Thought for the Week

## BOOK RECOMMENDATION:

A Meal With Jesus,  
by Tim Chester



*A Meal With Jesus* is a book about “discovering grace, community and mission around the table.” Tim Chester seeks to show God’s purposes in the sublimely ordinary act of sharing a meal. He shows that this most ordinary of ordinary events offers unique opportunities for grace, community and mission. Can a book about something so ordinary really be compelling and worth the read? Absolutely.

Chester structures the book around the meals of Jesus as described in the gospel of Luke. It was Luke who quoted Jesus as saying, “The Son of Man has come eating and drinking and you say, ‘Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’” Jesus was into eating and drinking and he was into it enough that people accused him of doing it to excess. Meals are a constant theme in this gospel. According to another author, “In Luke’s Gospel Jesus is either going to a meal, at a meal, or coming from a meal.” Chester says that to Jesus meals “represent a new world, a new kingdom, a new outlook. But they give that new reality substance. Jesus’ meals are not just symbols; they’re also application. They’re not just pictures; they’re the real thing in miniature. Food is stuff. It’s not ideas. It’s not theories.” Without simplistically reducing all of church and mission to meals, Chester manages to show that meals can and should be an integral part of our shared life.

*Book Review by Tim Challies, from Challies.com*

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## What’s on?

TUESDAY  
9:30AM Playgroup

WEDNESDAY  
9AM Prayer Meeting

THURSDAY  
9AM Quilters/Craft

FRIDAY  
9:30AM Playgroup

### BIRTHDAYS

25<sup>th</sup> Hudson  
29<sup>th</sup> Margaret Bou



### Thank You from Riley!

“Thank you to everyone who bought things from my cake stall to support my mission trip to Fiji. I raised over \$1000. You helped me help the kids in Fiji because you were so generous. Thank you also to the people who helped us bake. From Riley.”

### Bi-Annual members meeting

This will be held Next Sunday (May 31st) after the service. We will have updates on the building plans and our ministries, plus the budget to approve and quite a few new members to welcome, so please keep the date free.

### Men’s Social – GOLF DAY next Saturday May 30th

Join the men of CBBC for a golf day at Noosa Hills Par 3 course, 9am. \$30 for 9 holes, club and cart hire available. See Richard for more info and to RSVP on 0452 594 854 or [rvaneckaus@gmail.com](mailto:rvaneckaus@gmail.com)

### Alpha Evangelistic Course – Term 3

We will be running our Alpha course again in Term 3, which is designed to communicate the gospel to non-believers in a welcoming environment where they will have a chance to make friends and ask questions. Please be thinking about who you can invite to come along – the most effective invitation is when you offer to come along with someone.

### Prayer Points:

- Pray that we will be present, active and faithful witnesses to our communities about God’s judgement on sin and the salvation found in Christ (Gen 18:16–33).
- Thank God for excellent progress in translation work for John & Margaret Beaumont during their PNG visit and pray for safe travel home from PNG.
- Pray for God’s provision of the right man to serve as our new Associate Pastor.
- Pray for those in our extended church family who are unwell or recovering, including Trish F, Arthur & Gloria, Jeff Byrnes, Brian S, and quite a few people dealing with a nasty winter flu

Notes

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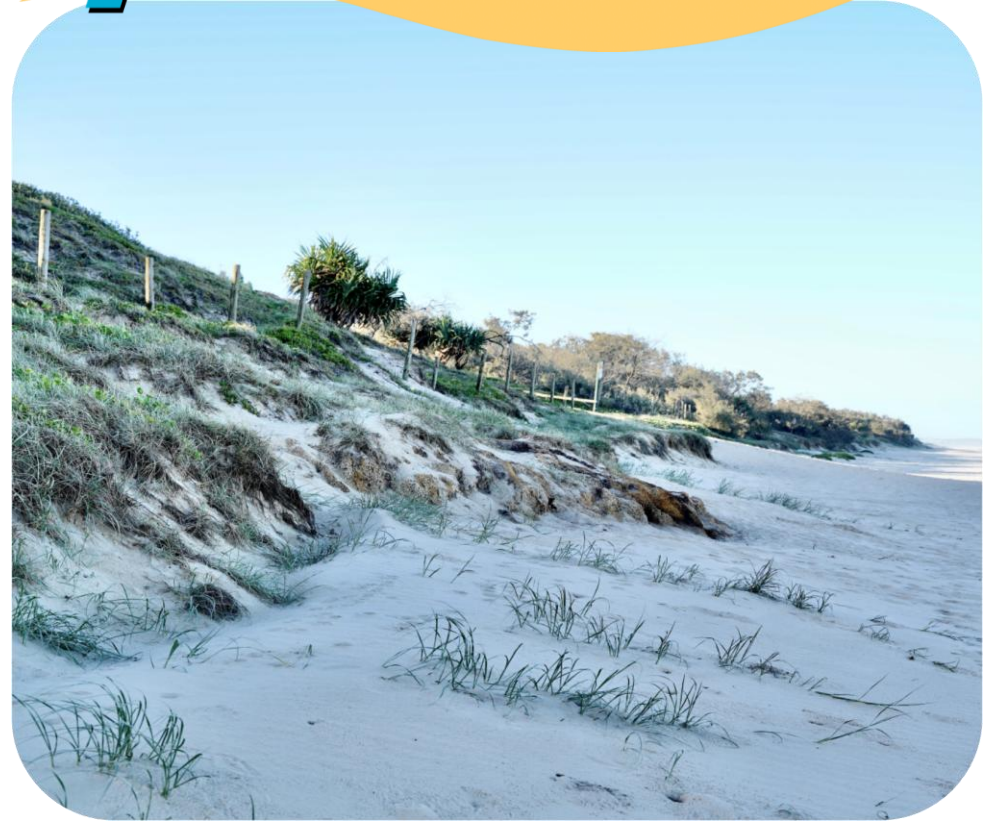
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*'To know Christ and make Him known'*



"When he hesitated, the men grasped his hand and the hands of his wife and of his two daughters and led them safely out of the city, for the LORD was merciful to them." Gen 19:16 (NIV)

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9AM Pastor Bill

Judgement and Mercy in Sodom and Gomorrah

Genesis 19:1-38