

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

8 Ways to Become More Humble (Part 1)

"At every stage of our Christian development, and in every sphere of our Christian discipleship, pride is our greatest enemy and humility our greatest friend." (John Stott)

1. Thank God often and always

Thankfulness stops pride growing. We can thank people for things that they do and who they are, and that's important and encouraging for them. But we're to thank God for that person, for the way he has worked in them. Thankfulness is a sign of a believer. Whereas "ingratitude...[is] one of the distinguishing marks of non-believers" (David Pao).

If you're struggling with feeling thankful to God at this time, try and think of just one thing each day to be thankful for. It might be that you have enough food, or the weather, or something that happened at Bible study. Thank God for one thing after someone has visited you, or you have visited them. Thank God for one thing in your friend or your child, or in your spouse, your church or your local community.

In the constant act of thanksgiving, the relationship with God is nurtured. Through thanksgiving, the gracious acts are remembered, and the life of a person is thereby changed. God-centered thankfulness helps us grow in humility, as it stops pride growing.

2. Confess your sins regularly

Confession is a reality check as it reminds us of who we are. Christian confession need not be overwhelming because the cross was sufficient for all our sins and we have been completely forgiven. It is at the cross that we understand most clearly that we are sinners, but it is also at the cross that we understand most clearly that we are deeply loved.

When we confess we gain a deeper appreciation of grace and what we have been saved from. God's forgiveness gives us peace and security, and therefore the freedom to grow in humility.

By Jane Tooher, from The Gospel Coalition Australia website

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WHAT'S ON?

MONDAY

7AM Community Breakfast

TUESDAY

9:30AM Playgroup

WEDNESDAY

9AM Prayer Meeting

THURSDAY

9AM Quilters/Craft

FRIDAY

9:30AM Playgroup

BIRTHDAYS

14th Samuel M

17th Paula W



Safe Ministry Training

To ensure that our church is a Safe Space for children and vulnerable people, we are currently working with "Safe Ministry Check". Elders, Deacons, and Ministry leaders have already been invited to do their training. Eventually, all members in our church will be invited to do online training, so please keep a look out for an email asking you to complete the training. If you have any issues, please feel free to chat with Lisa.

PRAYER POINTS

- Pray that we would be alert and faithful to Jesus despite crises, suffering or persecution (Mark 13:1-23).
- Pray for those in our extended church family who are unwell or recovering, including Dawn J with cancer treatment, Alice D's husband Graham, Bob W's son Barry, Mark P recovering from a knee fracture, and Claire H who has been unwell.
- Pray for expectant mums Megan (& Tristan), Sue (& Avian), and Millie (& Aaron)
- Pray that God would open the eyes of unbelievers to repent and believe, including our family members, friends and neighbours.
- Pray for Matt & Uli as they prepare for their trip to Vietnam in November.
- Pray for our elders and deacons as they serve in their biblical leadership roles in our church.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

SOS Outing

The next outing will be held on Thursday October 29th. We will be visiting the Life Flight Sunshine Coast Hanger where they will be giving us a tour, a talk and morning tea.

Lunch will be a Sausage Sizzle at Mudjimba Park afterwards. Please find information flyers and the sign-up list in the foyer.

Beaumont's PNG ministry

John and Margaret are heading off to PNG next Saturday. Please pray for their 4 coworkers who will travel 18 hours on a small boat to get to the SIL regional centre.

Pray for Margaret, Peter and Reuben as they work on the final stages of the Iduna language New Testament. Pray also for John, Leban and Vivian as they translate 1 Samuel.

Pray for wisdom, good health, and stamina as they carefully work with God's Word.

Church Membership

If you are interested in becoming a member of CBBC, now is a good time to start the process with the AGM coming up on November 29th. Talk to Bill, one of the elders, or our church secretary Nikki to find out more or start the process.

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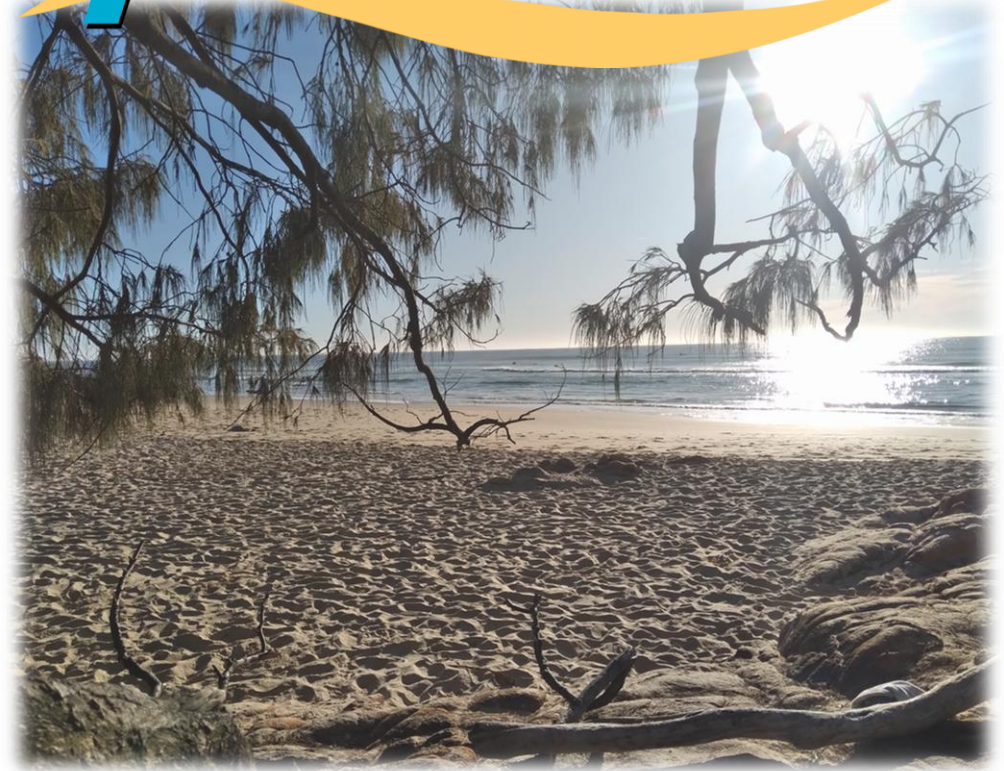
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Coolum Beach Baptist Church

'To know Christ and make Him known'



"Tell us, when will these things happen? And what will be the sign that they are all about to be fulfilled?."

(Mark 12:44)

11th
October

9AM *Pastor Bill*

The End of the Temple and the Return of Christ

Mark 13:1-23