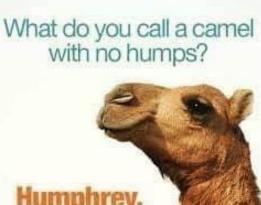
By replacing your morning coffee with green tea, you can lose up to 87% of what little joy you still have left in your life.







It was a sad and disappointing day when I discovered my Universal Remote Control did not, in fact, control the Universe.

Not even remotely.

It turns out that when you're asked who your favorite child is, you're expected to pick from your own.

I know that now.



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The Uniting Church in Australia QUEENSLAND SYNOD

18th September 2022

We seek to be a prayerful and listening church Please note the location of the Hearing Loop in the church

**Leadership Team** 

Chairperson: Winni Yun Property: Theo Quick
Treasurer: Bev Lacey Korean Members: Gil Park
Secretary: Jan Strudwick Korean Interpreter: Chalice An
Margaret Holmes and Rev Jan Rossow

Worship Services Korean Leader: Ps. Gil Park

English Language Sundays, 8.30am M: 0413 836 557 Korean Language Sundays, 11am

Thank you for the ongoing support for the Ministry, & Ministry of our Church. A reminder that direct deposit offering is available. Our Church

Banking Details: UCA Maroochydore Uniting Church

- St George Bank. BSB 334 040: Account No. 553864 511

Uniting Church Links - For Information from the Wider Church Qld Synod Information - https://ucagld.com.au/

For links an information to Synod Resources and Activities.

National Assembly Nows - https://assembly.uca.org

National Assembly News - https://assembly.uca.org.

**Please send any** notices for next week's 'Herald' to janstrudwickart@gmail.com by Wednesday afternoon

## Lectionary Bible Readings

 September 18,
 September 25

 Jeremiah 8:18-9:1 and Psalm 79:1-9
 Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15

 Amos 8:4-7 and Psalm 113
 Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16

 1 Timothy 2:1-7
 Amos 6:1a, 4-7 and Psalm 146

 Luke 16:1-13
 1 Timothy 6:6-19

 Luke 16:19-31

This week

Sun Sept 18 8:30 am- Rev Jan Rossow

11 am Korean Service is in Harvey Bay

<u>Tues, Wed, Thurs</u> Korean Prayer meeting 6-7 am

Mon, Wed Fri Line dancing

**Fridays** Church working bee /cleaning 4:30 -6pm

Korean Youth Bible Study 6-9pm

**Prayer Meeting** 

Sat 24<sup>th</sup> Sept Indoor Bowls with Wilf and Mavis

**Sun 25<sup>th</sup> Sept** 8:30 a.m. Neville Biggs

11 am Korean Service

## Please join us for morning tea, after the service, in the hall

Our service on the 25<sup>th</sup> September will be the last one that Neville Biggs will be preaching. (He will still be here after this for a couple of weeks, before moving to Canberra). So we will be having a special goodbye morning tea on 25<sup>th</sup>, after the service. If you are able to bring a plate of food to contribute to the morning tea, that would be appreciated.

## When You Don't Feel Like It

We all struggle with spiritual discouragement and lethargy. Some days our circumstances threaten to overwhelm us, and we struggle just to pray. Many times we just don't feel like doing the things we know we should. For one reason or another, God sometimes seems far off and unreachable.

David faced times like these in his life. The Psalms are filled with verses that express his despair and feeling of abandonment. Yet the Psalms also give us the key to living victoriously during the dark periods of life. Let's take a quick look at Psalm 119:89-95\*.

"Forever, O LORD, Your word is settled in heaven. Your faithfulness continues throughout all generations; You established the earth, and it stands. They stand this day according to Your ordinances..."

My circumstances or feelings have not changed God. He is the same God today as He was when He hung the stars in the sky, led the Israelites through the Red Sea, and fed the five thousand.

All things, even the things affecting me right now, are God's servants. The circumstance, people, and events around me are all under God. They are His servants, designed to help and bless me spiritually.

"If Your law had not been my delight, Then I would have perished in my affliction. I will never forget Your precepts, For by them You have revived me." Recalling God's faithfulness and control over everything that touches us gives us strength to walk with God even when we feel like giving up in despair. After all, our feelings and circumstances have not changed God. He is perfectly capable of sustaining us if we will only let Him. We simply need to choose to delight in and diligently consider God's precepts (His principles and character) despite how we feel. Choosing to delight in God might not be easy. It might even involve hard work. But only God can revive and save our soul from spiritual lethargy. Next time you feel spiritually drained or inadequate, remember that you have a choice. You can wrap yourself up in excuses and self-pity, or you can choose to draw your strength from an unchanging God.

If you know of anyone who might be willing to take our church services on the 2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays of the month, that would be really good, as we are facing a serious short fall right through the rest of the year. There are three possible solutions at the moment. 1. Streaming a service online through the computer. 2.members of the congregation putting services together. 3. Only having services week 1 and week 3 of the month. Please pray about this.