



Sunday 9th, December 2018

MARY'S IMPOSSIBLE ENCOUNTER

I wonder what it is that brings the “magic” of Christmas to your place. Do you have certain traditions or events that suddenly make the Christmas season come alive? The Christmas Pageant? Putting lights on the house? Setting up the tree? Candy canes, gingerbread, the smell of cinnamon? Wrapping presents? Christmas music?

Perhaps, for some, the “magic” of Christmas is a thing of the past, something left to the dreamers, romantics and children. The reality and hardships of life have ruined the “magic” and stolen the joy that everyone else seems to talk about at Christmas.

But could it possible for you to experience the “magic” and joy of Christmas this year? Despite your losses, hurts and disappointments, is it possible for you to really enjoy Christmas? I believe that it is.

I believe that it's possible for everyone to experience the joy and wonder of Christmas BUT... you will have to believe the IMPOSSIBLE!

I'm not talking about flying reindeer, magical elves or even Santa. But Christmas really is about believing the impossible. Believing that God became a human baby, born to an unwed teenage girl, from a town no one cared about. Believing that this baby was anything but ordinary, that He was the Son of God, the Saviour of the world.

This Sunday we will ask the question, “How does believing the Impossible change Christmas?” I hope to see you there.

Henry Rouse

UPCOMING EVENTS

VIBE Outside Youth - The SEEDS UC team are coming to run a Vibe activity this Sunday 9th Dec. at the Space from 4-8pm. Cost \$5

Jump Kid's Christmas Puppets - Sunday 16th December during the morning service. Rehearsing is well underway, contact Ann Mildren for more details or to find out how to be involved.

Men's Fellowship Christmas BBQ - Saturday 15th December. Save the date, see Tony for details.

WonderFull Christmas Festival - Friday 21st December, 5pm.

We would like to acknowledge that the land we meet on is the traditional lands for the Kaurana people.

CREATE - After School Activity Club

Tuesday 3.30-5.30pm

@ Playford Uniting Church

Call Nick: 0402 808 744



Only 2 weeks to go but it's not too late to volunteer to help out at the WonderFull Christmas Festival.

No matter what your gifts or abilities there is a place for you. Sign up after the Sunday service or see Felicity to find out how you can be Moving in our Community this Christmas.

UPCOMING SERVICES

Sunday 9th Dec : Henry Rouse

Mary's Impossible Encounter
Luke 1:26-38

Sunday 16th Dec

Kid's Christmas Puppet Performance

Sunday 23rd Dec : Ken Wright

Joseph's Uncomfortable Encounter
Matthew 1:18-25

Monday 24th Dec : Rev. Peter Riggs

The Shepherd's Unlikely Encounter
Luke 2:1-20

To hear last Sunday's Message

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