



Transforming George

If you are like me, sometimes it is nice to reminisce about the past, 'The Good Old Days'. It can be fun looking back! On Sunday we are going to enjoy looking back and thinking about a sit-com character from the 1990's. I won't tell you who this character is, except to say that he reminds me of someone from the Bible, who will also be revealed on Sunday. You may also get a clue from the title of the sermon, or reading the passage!

This character, along with his biblical doppelganger is stuck in self-interest. This leads to bouts of anger and pangs of insecurity. Dare we say it - he is an expert sinner, albeit it in quite a humorous way. For me, the humour mainly comes from recognising myself in this character! Maybe you will too, which means when the laughter fades, we should be invested in the question, "what would it take for this character to be transformed?" Or the opposite, "what keeps this character stuck?"

I will reveal one thing, Jesus is the main character in the story of the biblical character's amazing transformation. He is also the key to our ongoing transformation! The way he does it is something that can also inform our relationships with others. We won't discover all the answers this Sunday, but with God's help and grace, we will leave feeling free to look forward to 2019 and beyond, knowing that the best is yet to come! It's fun looking back, but it's even more fulfilling being filled with hope for the future.

Are you feeling stuck? Looking for hope? Let's get together and explore how God is Transforming Futures in our community and beyond.

Hope to see you on Sunday,

Craig McGlone

13th January 2019

CREATE - After School Activity Club

In Recess for the School Holidays

Notice of Congregational Meeting

January 20th, after the morning service.

Please stay for a short meeting for the Council to give us brief updates on:

1. Synod/Prebytery meeting on same gender marriage.

2. Financing of Building loan.

Click on the links to Listen to our

Christmas Encounter

Sermon Series

Mary's Impossible Encounter - Henry Rouse Joseph's Uncomfortable Encounter - Ken Wright The Shepherd's Unlikely Encounter - Peter Riggs Herod's Undeniable Encounter - Henry Rouse or go to Resources, then Podcasts on our website

UPCOMING SERVICES

Sunday 13th Jan : Craig McGlone Transforming George Luke 19:1-10

Sunday 20th January: VIBE Youth Mary's Prayer Luke 1:46-55

Last Sundays' Message

By Ken Wright

Click here "<u>What you Believe is Important</u>" or go to http://playford.ucasa.org.au/podcasts/

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

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