



5th May 2019

### Passionately Pursue the Kingdom

What's your favourite movie genre? Maybe you're a sci-fi fan? Perhaps you're more an action/adventure type? Or maybe you love the romantic-comedies? I have to admit that I like most types of movies, as long as there's a good story. So far there's only been 2 movies that I've tried to watch but couldn't sit through. I tried to watch a movie called "Lost in Translation" but the title really says it all. I turned it off after 15 minutes because I had no idea where it was going. The other one was 'The SpongeBob Movie' which literally put me to sleep in the first 10 minutes (sorry kids).

But I do love movies that are set in the Mediaeval times. There's something about knights dressed in armour, battles in the castle and the fight for the kingdom of good over the kingdom of evil.

The classic legend of King Arthur and his kingdom of Camelot always intrigues me. Arthur is meant to be a great, wise and truly good King. He fights to protect his people and rule over a kingdom of peace and justice. But no matter how good King Arthur is portrayed as being, there is always someone seeking to invade the kingdom and destroy the peace and prosperity of Camelot.

Pete introduced us last week to the idea of the Kingdom of Heaven that Jesus talks about in the New Testament. But we look around at our world, even our neighborhood and we don't often see a kingdom that looks like a kingdom that God is ruling over at all. We see a kingdom full of hatred, violence, injustice, pain and abuse.

How can this be the kingdom of heaven? Is the kingdom of heaven just something that we're hoping will arrive one day? And how do we live as citizens of the King in a world where He seems to have lost control?

I hope you'll join us this Sunday as we explore some of these questions in **Matthew 13:24-43 - The Parable of the Wheat & the Weeds**.

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Information regarding the Restructuring of the SA Presbytery - Update [Click here](#) or search Presbytery Restructure at <https://sa.uca.org.au>

We acknowledge that the land we meet on is the traditional lands for the Kurna people.

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### CREATE - After School Activity Club

Tuesday's 3.30-5.30pm  
@Playford Uniting Church  
Call Nick : 0402 808 744

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### Mother's Day

**Sunday 12th May, 2019**

This Mother's Day we will hear four ordinary women share their remarkable journey facing the storms of life. It will be a morning of honesty and hope, fear and faith, laughter and life. We would love you to join us.

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Followed by a special Mother's Day Morning Tea.

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### Playford Information Meeting

Sunday May 19th after the service.

#### TOPICS:

- Restructure of the SA Presbytery
- Budget Update

Everyone is encouraged to stay and be part of this important time in the life of Playford UC

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### UPCOMING SERVICES

**Sunday 5th May: Henry Rouse**  
*Passionately Pursue the Kingdom*  
*Matthew 13:24-43*

**Sunday 12th May: Pete Riggs**  
*Mother's Day*

*"Don't be afraid of the Storm"*

**Sunday 19th May: Pete Riggs**  
*Passionately Pursue the Kingdom*  
*Matthew 13:31-35*

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**Sermon - Passionately Pursue the Kingdom**  
**By Peter Riggs**

**"Parable of the Sower & Seed"**

or go to <http://playford.uca.org.au/podcasts/>

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