



14th July 2019

### WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

With a house full of teenagers, it's no surprise that seeing the latest Marvel superhero movie has become a thing. Over the last few years we've watched Thor, Guardians of the Galaxy, The Avengers, Spiderman etc. etc. It feels like every school holidays there's a new movie to go see. The latest one is Spiderman: Far From Home.

In some ways it feels like every movie is the same. Good guys, bad guys, superheroes, world ending catastrophe, big fight scene, everyone saved in the nick of time, happy ending... So why is it that we feel so drawn into these repetitive stories? I would suggest that what the Marvel movie makers do so well is that at the end of each movie they leave us with a question.

*"What happens next?"*

Now if you're one of those people who leaves the cinema as soon as the end credits begin... I'm sorry to say it but you've been missing out. Every Marvel movie has one or sometimes two extra scenes after the credits. So you always need to stay right until the end when the lights get turned on. Yes, I know that the main part of the movie is finished and the plot is resolved but it's during these final extra scenes that Marvel blow our minds with something extra and get us to ask the question, *"What happens next?"* And of course, it's this question that brings us back to see the next Marvel movie 3 months later.

The Book of Jonah is not a Marvel Movie, although Jonah could be the original Aquaman (a DC superhero). But what Jonah does do, is leave us with the same question... *"What happens next?"*

God leaves Jonah with the question, "Shouldn't I have compassion on Ninevah?" The answer, of course, is an assumed "Yes!" And here we find ourselves with the implication of what should happen next. God is implying to Jonah, and to us, that we too should have that kind of compassion for others. Just as Jonah himself was pursued by God and shown mercy so to we should be about pursuing others and showing them God's mercy.

Our next series on Sundays is a quick journey in the book of **Acts: Passionately Pursuing Others**. Since we have been and continue to be recipients of God's mercy and grace ... *What happens next?*

### CREATE - After School Activity Club

Tuesday's 3.30-5.30pm  
In recess for school holidays

### LITTLE BUZZ PLAYGROUP

Thursday's 9.30-11am  
In recess for school holidays

### Winter WonderFULL Quiz Night

Friday August 9th, 7pm at PUC  
\$10 adults / \$7 kids

#### Book tickets on:

<https://www.trybooking.com/BDVOP>  
Or call the office on 7228 5300

### TRANSFORMING OUR WORLD

**Dr. Ed Silvano** - 22-25 August  
22nd - **SA Prayer Breakfast**  
23-24th - **Transform Our World Seminar** @ Clovercrest Baptist  
25th - **Building Unity for Transformation** @ Adelaide Chin Christian Church

### UPCOMING SERVICES

**Sunday July 14th: Henry Rouse**  
From Jonah to Acts

**Sunday July 21st: Mike Hey**  
Acts 1:8 - Passionately Pursuing Others

**Sunday July 28th: Henry Rouse**  
Acts - Passionately Pursuing Others

### Sermons from June 30th & July 7th

By **Leanne Davis** - *Jonah 3*  
**"Jonah Preaches & Ninevah Repents"**


By **Ryan Windle** - *Jonah 4*  
**"God Saves & Jonah Sulks"**

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

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