



Sunday 2nd April— 5:00pm Catholic Hall

## Luke 2:21-40 Devoted to Jesus

### *A reminder of today's BD message.....*

Today, we are bombarded with information due to the nature of the internet and social media. Sometimes it seems like the only certain thing in life is uncertainty. But as Christians, we HAVE certainty in who Jesus is and what He has achieved.

If Jesus had come in our time, His ministry would have been documented on YouTube and His miracles put on FaceBook for all to comment on and discuss. But back then, the first generation of Christians were living in an 'oral culture'. What Jesus said and did was retold and retold and eventually written down. But how do we know what was written was true? How do we know the stories weren't embellished, or made up or just 'old wives tales'?

This is where Luke steps in. He records an orderly account of everything the apostles (witnesses of the resurrected Christ) had told him. He also listened to the testimony of other eye witnesses. And he collated all of these testimonies to send to Theophilus (the one loved by God) so that he **and we** might have 'certainty concerning the things that he had been taught'.

Some see Luke as a historian—someone who is very careful in getting the facts right. Others see him as an evangelist—the spreader of good news. Luke in fact, wrote two accounts. The first one was an account of 'all the things that have been accomplished among us' (the book of Luke) and the second was an account of all the things Jesus continues to do through the outpouring of His Holy Spirit upon the church (the book of Acts).

What did Jesus 'accomplish' as recorded in Luke? He fulfilled the promises of God and He brought salvation to all.

As we study the book of Luke, have **certainty** in what we've been taught. Receive the Gospel for what it is—a carefully compiled eyewitness testimony passed down from those who:

- Walked with Jesus
- Heard His teaching
- Lived with Him and ate with Him
- Witnessed the miracles
- Encountered Him after He had been raised from the dead

Luke compiled this book so we can have certainty— it's not hearsay—it's carefully collated testimony that gives certainty and it's major theme is salvation!

*Lord God, as we study the Gospel of Luke, we pray that You would increase our faith, and give us CERTAINTY concerning the things we are being taught. We praise You for everything that Jesus has accomplished and for everything He is continuing to do in His church through His Holy Spirit. Amen*

### Bush Disciples April Roster 2023

Date	Opening Prayer	Kids Story	Bible Reading	Com-munion	Closing Prayer	Morning tea
02/04	D&P	A&M	AH	J&S	B&R	D&R
16/04	D&R	D&P	AH	A&M	J&S	B&R
30/04	B&R	D&R	AH	D&P	A&M	J&S

#### Men's Prayer Meeting

6am "Mywybilla" every Wednesday

**KYB**—Tuesday 7th March, 14th March (21st March is Scone Morning at the Homestead) Revelation

**Men's Bible Study**— 7:30pm every Tuesday "Mywybilla" Genesis



For Christians, the bible is like an oasis. It is a divine watering hole. It's not only a source of wisdom and guidance but it's a refreshing water source where people from all over the world can come and quench their thirst for peace for justice.

### Order of Service 2nd April 2023

<b>Welcome &amp; Opening Prayer</b>	David & Pauline
<b>Songs x 2</b>	Chelsea & Rhonda
<b>Children's Story</b>	Andrew & Monique
<b>Bible Reading</b>	Anne Luke 2:21-40
<b>Message</b>	Devoted to Jesus
<b>Communion</b>	Justin & Sarah
<b>Song</b>	Chelsea & Rhonda
<b>Closing Prayer</b>	Bruce & Rhonda
<b>Computer Operation</b>	Harry
<b>Morning Tea</b>	Shared Morning Tea—Michael and Robyn will be with us