



Sunday 20th August—9:30am Catholic Hall

Luke 6:1-11 “How ya goin? Busy?”

A reminder of Sunday's BD message Luke 5:27-39

When it comes to the Gospel—how do *we know* who is going to respond and accept Christ into their hearts? We don't. The Word of God is like seed that is spread out into the world and it lands on all types of soil. It is only when it lands on GOOD soil that it grows and yields a good crop. And GOOD soil comes in all forms—nice people, needy people, cantankerous people, rich people, poor people, likeable people, unlikeable people, famous people, nobodies etc. So as Disciples of Jesus, our job is to PROCLAIM the Good News of Jesus, not decide who would be 'better' at responding to it.

How do *most* people respond to Christ? Through personal invitation and we see this in today's reading. Jesus seeks out a tax collector who was one of the most despicable and despised characters for his role in extracting money from his fellow countrymen to fund the invasive Roman Empire. And Jesus issues a personal invitation—'follow me'.

How does Levi the tax collector respond? Levi leaves everything behind and follows Jesus. He then puts on a big party for Jesus and invites all his friends (most likely all the other tax collectors). This is a celebration of Jesus. Jesus has become the most important thing in Levi's life and he wants everyone he knows to know about it. All the most despised members of society got together and found companionship with each other and with Jesus.

And the Pharisee's were aghast. They prided themselves on remaining separate from anyone they considered unholy and here was this so-called 'holy man' eating with them—sharing a meal with them. And they asked him 'why'? Jesus' response: 'its not those who are well that need a doctor, but the sick'.

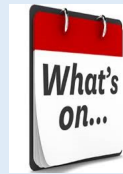
The world is FILLED with the sick who need a doctor. Effective evangelism is demonstrated in Levi's actions—throw a party for Jesus and invite people from all walks of life to attend and hear about what Jesus has done in your life.

- The sickness = SIN
- The symptoms = evil, hatred, bitterness, selfishness, godlessness, pride, sexual immorality, gossip, slander
- The cure = The Gospel—repent and believe. 100% cure.
- The doctor = the one who goes to sinners, eats with sinners, rubs shoulders with sinners and loves sinners so much that they are called to repentance. Who are the doctors? **We are.** We are the ones who have been entrusted with the Good News of Jesus—are we sharing it?

The world is filled with the sick who need a doctor and that's EXACTLY what you are I are called to be!

Bush Disciples August Roster 2023

Date	Opening Prayer	Kids Story	Bible Reading	Com-munion	Closing Prayer	Supper
06/08	D&P	A&M	AH	J&S	B&R	D&R
20/08	D&R	D&P	AH	A&M	J&S	B&R

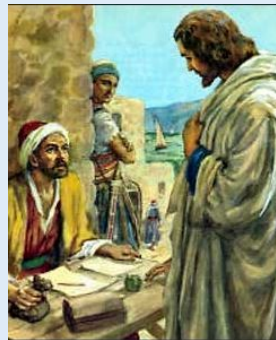


Men's Prayer Meeting 6am "Mywybilla" every Wednesday

KYB—8th August 9:30am Catholic Hall

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

29th October—Worship, Fellowship Lunch and AGM of Bush Disciples Church at Westmar



To share the message of Jesus with those who are sick could be as simple as
Psalm 34:8

Taste and see that the Lord is GOOD!

Give Jesus a go!

Order of Service Sunday 20th August

Welcome & Opening Prayer	Davie & Ruth
Song x2	Chelsea & Rhonda
Children's Story	Dave & Pauline
Bible Reading Luke 6:1-11	Anne
Message	How ya goin? Busy?
Song	Chelsea & Rhonda
Communion	Andrew & Monique
Song	Chelsea & Rhonda
Closing Prayer	Justin & Sarah
Computer Operation	Harry Krause
Morning Tea	Bruce & Rhonda