Church family news and prayer...

**SCPC LIFE** QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CHRISTIAN FAITH 7 Truths to make your heart sing!

This week we are continuing in our Term 3 series where we are looking at the question - What is Salvation?

PLEASE JOIN US

9:30am & 6:00pm @ Lismore High hall



This week, Stew shares some news on the Next Gen Pastor role for 2025.

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Deuteronomy 6:5 says: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength".

At Partnering with Parents, we're going to be exploring how we can be nurturing children's love of God and helping them to love all of God with all they have.

Please note the change of date and come along to this important session. Child minding will be provided so that all parents and carers can attend.



We LOVE sharing photos of life at SCPC in our photo montage on Celebration Sunday! If you have any good quality photos of life in your GC, a ministry you serve in or at other SCPC activities then please send them to <u>office@scpc.org.au</u> by September 8.

Please note that all photos received may not be used on Celebration Sunday and that photos received after the due date will be filed for use at a later date where appropriate. Playlist

# Truths to make your heart sing!

SCPC Term 3 2024 series companion.

SCPC • 3 saves • 31 songs, about 2 hr 15 min

Here's the companion playlist for our Term 3 teaching series. We're looking forward to singing the first track - 'Sing' - together on Celebration Sunday. Why don't you hit repeat on that learn it ahead of time!

### LISTEN NOW

# **PURITAN PRAYERS**

This term we're using a selection of prayers from Tim Chester's book "Into His Presence: Praying with the Puritans" at the start of our gatherings. In the book he states that the prayers have been collated with the intention of them being prayed both personally and in public worship. You might like to read and pray the one for this week ahead of Sunday...

#### RIGHTEOUSNESS

Eternal Father, this is my comfort: the imputed righteousness of Christ. This answers all my fears, doubts and objections.

How shall I look up to you? In the righteousness of Christ. How shall I have any communion with you, a holy God? In the righteousness of Christ. How shall I look up to you? In the righteousness of Christ. How shall I find acceptance with you? In the righteousness of Christ. How shall I die? In the righteousness of Christ. How shall I stand before the judgment seat? In the righteousness of Christ.

So help me to remember Christ, and his suffering, my mediator and surety, my sure and only way, under all temptations, fears, conflicts, and doubts.

Christ, you are my sin, in being made sin for me; and you are my curse, being made a curse for me. Or rather, I am your sin, and you are my righteousness. I am your curse, and you are my blessing. I am your death, and you are my life. I am the wrath of God to you, and you are the love of God to me.

I am your hell, and you are my heaven.

Father, if I think of my sins, and of your wrath; if I think of my guilt, and of your justice, my heart faints and fails, and sinks into despair, if I do not also think of Christ, and if I do not rest my soul on his righteousness.

This is a precious truth, worth more than a world, that all my sins are pardoned, not only through mercy, but also by justice.

Satan and my conscience may cast many things on my plate: the multitude and greatness of my sins. But one good word will support and comfort me: Christ has redeemed us from all our iniquities. The righteousness of Christ is my life, my joy, my comfort, my crown, my confidence, my heaven, my all.

And so, enable me, I pray, to fix my eyes on the mediatory righteousness of Christ; for this is the righteousness by which I may safely and comfortably live, and by which I may happily and quietly die.

THOMAS BROOKS

## **PRAYER POINTS**

SUNDAY - Praise God, for he grants us Christ's perfect righteousness for our imperfection.

MONDAY - We praise you Lord for the Falls' family at Talua Theological College, Vanuatu, and settling of workloads. Thank you for Rob's encouragement at PCV's General Assembly this week, catching up with former students now flourishing in ministry in scattered parishes.

TUESDAY - Continually uphold our Leadership Team and Committee of Management in prayer.

WEDNESDAY - Confess that our hearts find it so hard to resist the temptation to prove its righteousness.

THURSDAY - Prayer is requested for safety, faithfulness, fruitfulness, and perseverance for PIM ministry teams who are outstanding Christian men and women, deeply dedicated to sharing the gospel, making disciples for Jesus and caring deeply for all they come in contact with.

FRIDAY - Pray that the mighty word of the living God would cause us to sing!

SATURDAY - Ask that our hearts would sing for joy at our salvation.



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