

The Way

STEPS TO CHRIST

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It's breathtaking!



Have You Witnessed the Power of God?

Hello to All! I trust you are well and at perfect peace in the Lord. I'm not sure if you would call this a guest editorial but I have taken the pen this month. Nicole asked for a month off and I was happy to oblige.

For those of us who live on the east coast of Australia, we have just witnessed a rather significant rain event. Many areas have been inundated with minor flooding. Is it me or do these weather anomalies seem to be more commonplace? No, I'm not referring to catastrophic events which we know are increasing in frequency and intensity. It just seems all weather patterns are tending more chaotic. *"For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now."* Romans 8:22.

Yes, extremes of weather are destructive and often claim life. They are certainly a sign of the times. But they also display the power of nature. Have you ever stopped and watched the power of the surf, witnessed the strength of the wind, or even the roar and spray from an immense waterfall? Impressive isn't it! That's the power of God's hand in nature and yet it's not even a scratch on what God can do.

I'm blessed and pleased to share with you that we have witnessed another power of nature over the past few weeks - the power of the Clydesdale to capture the attention of passers by. It's no secret we have a soft spot for these magnificent creatures. Even so, it has been the incredible capability they have to draw the interest of both young and old that has caused us to further realise the power and capability these animals have to share the last day message. However, even we didn't realise just how attention grabbing these horses are.

These past few weeks has seen us begin our training program. Just one horse without the fancy harness pulling a training carriage through our neighbourhood. Yet we still have people running to the fence to see us walk on by. We've heard parents calling to young children, "Quick, come out and look - they're coming by!" We've had older folk stand by the outer fence and admire the sight of a working Clydesdale. Friends, I couldn't even begin to over emphasise the power and reach these Clydesdales will have when they travel from town to town pulling the Daniel 2 statue. Praise the Lord, through His ways the Gospel of the Kingdom will be preached as a witness to all.

As a short reminder, if you would like to follow along with our activity, log on to either Facebook or Instagram. Our account is called Clydeascope Park. New videos are uploaded almost daily!

Maybe you've been a doubter? Maybe you're not convinced? Just maybe you didn't see the point in horses being used to preach the gospel. I can testify that I have tasted the interest this project will bring. In truth, I have never seen anything so capable in bringing Biblical truth to those who are searching.

For those who have been following along with each newsletter you will know the Lord has already blessed us with four Clydesdales. We are eternally grateful for your prayers and financial support in helping this happen. Even so we know this project is not ours, it is truly the Lord's. We are just doing our best to be His faithful servants.

It's in this context that on behalf of our Heavenly Father we again seek your support. We are needing to add an additional team member to the Clydesdale team. This will increase our team to 5 which will afford us two teams of 2 and a spare. Why? Horse welfare must always be uttermost in our activity. Two teams plus a spare will allow us to swap horses around ensuring the best of horse care.

The additional team member has been located. Teddy is a four year old gelding who has the perfect temperament. Sadly he is only for sale due to the breaking up of a young home. The price to secure Teddy is

\$7,500 USD (\$11,000 AUD). Can you help? Do you sense the Lord speaking to you to assist in this incredibly important last day project? Please earnestly pray and ask the Lord His purpose for you in Teddys purchase. You can be assured that Heaven will rejoice at any sacrifice you make towards this, the Lords work. We have been granted a limited time to acquire Teddy and at the same time provide assistance to this struggling family.

Whilst we can recognise the power of God in nature and the ability of the Clydesdale to attract an audience, there is another power of God that can also be seen but is arguably more important, more significant, and more breathtaking to behold. That's the power of God in our lives to transform and to save.

All too often we are confronted with a counterfeit gospel that permits us to wallow in transgression in the hope of a false promise of eternal life. Friends, that's not the message of scripture. Amongst so many other passages, Jesus message to Nicodemus in John 3 stands strong. The later half of verse 3 is part of a three part in Jesus message. It reads, ". . . *Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.*"

Have you ever stopped to carefully and prayerfully meditate on what this statement means? I have and it's confronting. It required me to completely alter my way of thinking. Every personal desire must be put aside - not just temporarily, not just periodically . . . but permanently. Remember the words of Paul, "*I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.*" (Galations 2:20) What is my understanding of truth? It must be the Bible and Bible alone uncoloured by my ideas and assumptions. What must I do? Only that which is at the direction of God. What must I eat? Only that which God has prescribed for me. Where must I allocate all the funds the Lord has blessed me with? Only on that which the Lords tells me. At face value this seems acceptable. But before each decision, take a quiet moment. Earnestly seek the Lord. ***Is my plan of God, or is it my desire wrapped up in something that seems right?*** In all things we must have the confidence to say the Lord has directed me, therefore I will do it.

Jesus longs to demonstrate His transforming power in each of us. He wants to remove our sin filled desire and replace it with His character and purpose. He wants to renew our journey. Roman 12:2 calls us, "*And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.*" Paul in his letter to the Philippians in Chapter 2:5 admonishes us, "***Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:***"

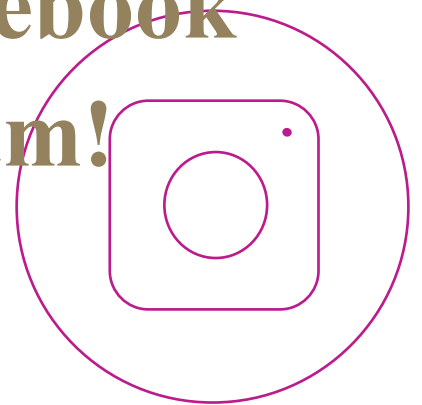
It's this transformation that fits us for Heaven. Don't just be an observer of the power of God . . . be an example! Allow the Lord to transform your life.

In His service,

Craig



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