

Some of us feel like we are beyond repair. Maybe you feel something in your past disqualifies you from usefulness to God, or to anyone.

Perhaps the people of God felt that way. God allowed them to reap the consequences of their actions. Jerusalem lay in ruins. The few pitiful stragglers who had not been dragged away as captives to Babylon had little hope.

Interspersed with the dire warnings of the prophets, God gave promising hints of restoration. A new generation who loved the Lord would rebuild the city and the temple and re-establish the worship of God.

After seventy years, exiles under the leadership of Zerubbabel returned and began to build the temple. A group led by Ezra brought spiritual revival and needed reforms. Another group, under Nehemiah, restored the broken-down walls, making Jerusalem safe and able to grow and prosper.

They restored the foundations of the city where, hundreds of years later, Jesus would come to re-establish God's kingdom forever and die for the sins of the world. The exile may seem like a big mistake, but God's redemptive plan was still unfolding. After they suffered for a little while, God would restore them.

God promises restoration for our lives as well. Very few people escape this life without hardship, loss and failure. In the ashes of defeat, we can have hope. Whether in this life or the next, God promises to renew, restore and rebuild.

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come." – 2 Corinthians 5:27, English Standard Version

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This week's Bible reading is Nehemiah 1



Our National Vision

Wherever there is hardship or injustice
Salvos will live, love and fight
Alongside others
To transform Australia one life at time
With the love of Jesus



Nicole; Jacqui; Adam; Lyndon D; Stephen & Derrell; Luke & Monique; Alan & Dulcie

Angel & Sachin need prayer for wisdom

#### All Impacted by Covid19



Our Sunday Meetings are offered online
If you are unable to gather in person for worship,
you can access our online worship via our website...
<a href="https://www.salvationarmy.org.au/brisbanecity/">https://www.salvationarmy.org.au/brisbanecity/</a>
...or on our Facebook page

https://www.facebook.com/BrisbaneCityTemple

#### Disruption to parking

There will be some road closures and changes to parking on Anzac Day. Click on the link to see detailed information on changes. The King George Square car park will be accessible from the Roma Street entry/exit

https://www.rslsouthqueensland.org/wpcontent/uploads/2021/03/20210326-Anzac-Day-Road-Closures-Final.pdf

#### Alpha is here!

Alpha is a series of talks and discussions that allow people to explore the basics of the Christian faith with others.

This year there will be alpha groups both in person and on line.

Online- Monday nights 7:15pm
In person- Wednesday Mornings 10:30am

The mission of BCT is to transform our community with the love of Jesus and one of the ways we do that is helping people explore life, faith and God.

If you would like to be a part of Alpha and explore the basics of Christian faith with others register at

https://www.salvationarmy.org.au/brisbanecity/alpha-2021-online/alpha-enquiry-form/

#### **Prayer Warriors**

We need people to commit to praying for those who will be exploring God, faith and life through the Alpha program.

You can be a part of this prayer ministry by praying on Monday nights between 7:15-8:30pm and Wednesdays between 10:30-11:45am.

This is a significant time for people who are seeking to know more of God and your prayerful support will be a great encouragement.

#### **Anzac Day**

This year Anzac Day falls on a Sunday and there will be a meeting here as usual at 10am. The band will not participate in this year's Anzac march as capacity has been greatly

reduced due to the minimal organisation time since the announcement the march would proceed and limited numbers of bands participating.

During our meeting we will have a segment to acknowledge Anzac Day.





## BRISBANE RECOVERY SERVICE

# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

#### We need help with:

- Driving participants to appointments
- Assisting with meal preparation
- Gardening
- Literacy program
- and more...

# Interested in joining us?

Call Laura on 3369 0922 Or email us at brs.inquiries@salvationarmy.org.au





#### **Seniors BYO BBQ**

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> April- 11am-2pm

Captain Burke Park, Under the Story Bridge

BYO food and chair Parking is limited.



#### Tithe and Offerings

Have you thought about how you can continue to give your tithes and offerings during this time? You can make a direct deposit into the corps account. Bank Details are:

Name: The Salvation Army BCT BSB: 034 004 Account Number: 810612

#### **Don't Forget**

building – Use the QR code or write your name and contact number on he sheet provided.

Use hand sanitizer

Keep 1.5m distance

Wear Mask while inside



## Parking stations WICKHAM TERRACE CAR PARK

Located between Wickham Terrace and Turbot street, Spring Hill Cost \$5 for four hours on a Sunday KING GEORGE SQUARE CAR PARK Vehicle entry is via Roma or Adelaide streets and exit is via Roma street. Cost is \$5 for four hours on a Sunday

If you are more mobile would you consider parking offsite so that spaces can be made available downstairs for the less mobile so that they can avoid walking up the hill.

#### **Parking**

If you require a parking space during the week please ring the office, Scott 0416133938 or Sharon 0408133936 to check availability.

There are various events or people requesting parking on different days and we need to know in advance available parking spots.

### Weekly at BCT

9:30am	Coffee
10am	Morning Worship

SHINDAY

**TUESDAY** 

**WEDNESDAY** 

12pm

7.30pm

10:30am	Primary, Kids
	Connection & Junior Soldiers

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7:15pm	Alpha
	(online)

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2nm	Women's online Connect group	

10am-12pm	Sal Connect
10:30am	Alpha

(in person )

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Open House' Community Lunch'

**Band Rehearsal** 

7:45 pm	Online prayer meeting

# THURSDAY 10am mainly music

8pm	Men's online connect group
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#### FRIDAY 10am-12pm Sal Connect

7.00pm	Youth group
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