



**Terrigal
Christian Israelite Church**

26th October 2025

Welcome to Church!

Indescribable

From the highest of heights
to the depths of the sea
Creation's revealing Your majesty
From the colours of fall to the fragrance of spring
Every creature unique in the song that it sings
All exclaiming

[Chorus]

Indescribable, uncontainable,
You placed the stars in the sky
and You know them by name.
You are amazing God
All powerful, untameable,
Awestruck we fall to our knees
as we humbly proclaim
You are amazing God

Who has told every lightning bolt
where it should go
Or seen heavenly storehouses laden with snow
Who imagined the sun and gives source to its light
Yet conceals it to bring us the coolness of night
None can fathom

[Chorus]

[Bridge]

You are amazing God

Indescribable, uncontainable,
You placed the stars in the sky and
You know them by name.
You are amazing God
Incomparable, unchangeable
You see the depths of my heart and
You love me the same
You are amazing God
You are amazing God

Hosanna

I see the king of glory
Coming on the clouds with fire
The whole earth shakes
The whole earth shakes

I see his love and mercy
Washing over all our sin
The people sing
The people sing

[Chorus]

Hosanna
Hosanna
Hosanna in the highest
(repeat)

I see a generation
Rising up to take their place
With selfless faith
With selfless faith

I see a near revival
Stirring as we pray and seek
We're on our knees
We're on our knees

Chorus

Heal my heart and make it clean
Open up my eyes to the things unseen
Show me how to love like you have loved me

Break my heart from what breaks yours
Everything I am for your kingdoms cause
As I go from earth to Eternity

Chorus

Hosanna in the highest
Hosanna in the highest

Lord of Lords

Beholding Your beauty is all that I long for
To worship You Jesus is my sole desire
For this very heart You have shaped for your pleasure
Purposed to lift Your Name high

Here in surrender in pure adoration
I enter Your courts with an offering of praise
I am Your servant come to bring You glory
As is fit for the work of Your hands

Chorus

Now unto the Lamb who sits on the throne
Be glory and honour and praise
All of creation resounds with the song
Worship and praise Him
The Lord of lords

Spirit now living and dwelling now with me
Keep my eyes fixed ever on Jesus' face
Let not the things of this world ever sway me
I'll run 'til I finish the race

[chorus]

Holy Lord You are holy
Jesus Christ is the Lord

[chorus]

Lord of Lords

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The Lord's Prayer

Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy
name.

Thy kingdom come.

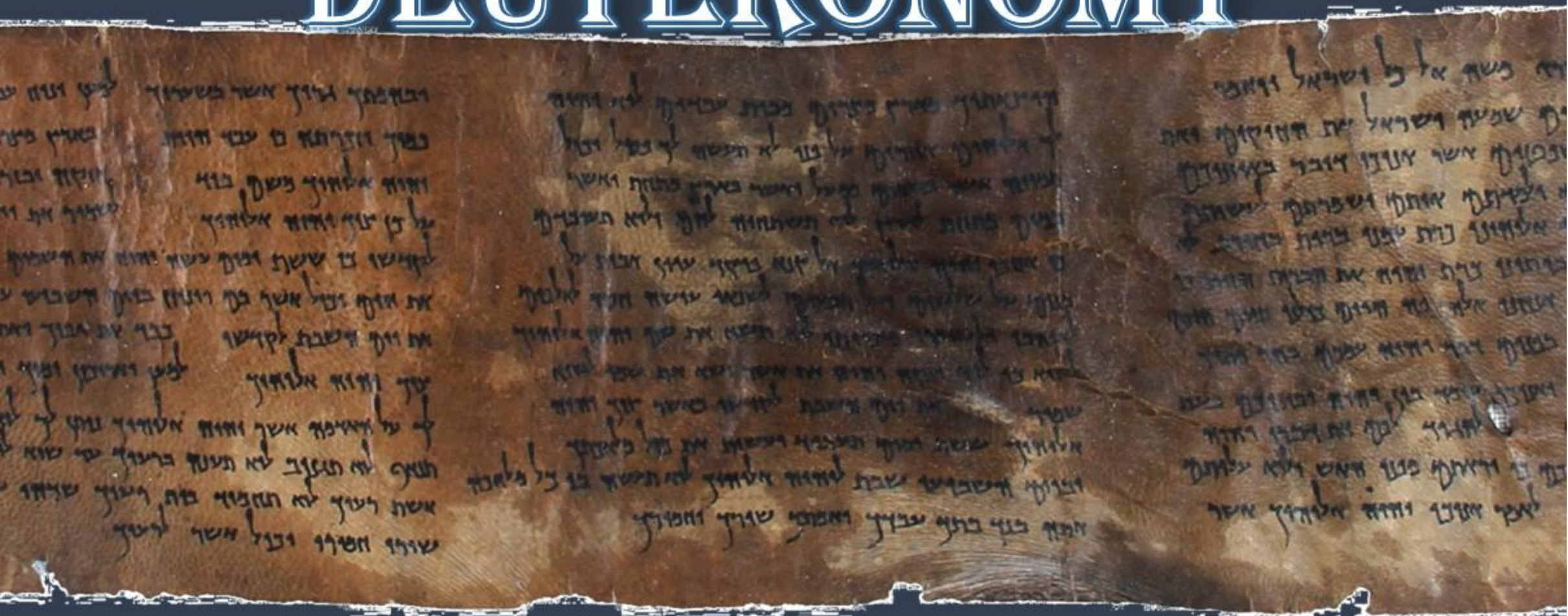
Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth.

Give us day by day our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins; for we also forgive every
one that is indebted to us. And lead us not into
temptation; but deliver us from evil.

Luke 11: 2-4

DEUTERONOMY



The Fifth Book of Moses

The Book of Deuteronomy

- Written by Moses around about the time of his death
- Contains a series of sermons given by Moses to be taught to the generations to come
- Written around 1406 BC, at the end of the forty years of wandering in the wilderness
- Written for the now grown up children that came out of Egypt
- Contains the Story, the life instructions, the promises and a song.
- Our oldest partial copy was discovered in 1952 and is call 4Q41
- This copy is dated between 30 and 1 BC
- Contains Deuteronomy 8:5–10 and Deuteronomy 5:1–6:1
 - Is the oldest copy of the decalogue

These be the words which Moses spake unto all Israel on this side Jordan in the wilderness, in the plain over against the Red sea....
Deuteronomy 1:1



The Book of Deuteronomy

Outline



- The Past (Chapter 1-4)
 - The setup of the Rulers of the people
 - Retelling the Story of the Wilderness Journey
 - Recounting the trouble between the people and their God
- The Present (Chapter 5-26)
 - Ceremonial Laws
 - Civil Laws
 - Personal Laws
- The Future (Chapter 27-31)
 - Declaring the Covenant between God and His people
 - The Song of Moses
 - Moses' final words and Death

Deuteronomy Chapter 25

Today's Themes

- Tempered Justice
- Duty
- Mutual Respect (especially with power inequality)
- Honesty in trade



Deuteronomy Chapter 25

Be Humane in the application of Justice

If there be a controversy between men, and they come unto judgment, that the judges may judge them; then **they shall justify the righteous, and condemn the wicked.**

² And it shall be, if the wicked man be worthy to be beaten, that the judge shall cause him to lie down, and to be beaten before his face, according to his fault, by a certain number.

³ **Forty stripes he may give him, and not exceed:** lest, if he should exceed, and beat him above these with many stripes, **then thy brother should seem vile unto thee.**

➤ Note the underlying message of human dignity in justice.

2 Corinthians 11:24

Of the Jews five times received I forty stripes save one.

Dehumanisation-

“the process of depriving a person or group of positive human qualities.”

Duty, Care and Power Disparity

⁴ Thou **shalt not muzzle** the ox when he treadeth out the corn.

- Note the underlying message of a worker receiving their just deserves



1 Timothy 5:17-19

¹⁷ Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honour, especially they who labour in the word and doctrine.

¹⁸ For the scripture saith, **thou shalt not muzzle** the ox that treadeth out the corn. And, The labourer is worthy of his reward.

¹⁹ Against an elder receive not an accusation, but before two or three witnesses.

1 Corinthians 9:9-10

⁹ For it is written in the law of Moses, **thou shalt not muzzle** the mouth of the ox that treadeth out the corn. Doth God take care for oxen?

¹⁰ Or saith he it altogether for our sakes? For our sakes, no doubt, this is written: that he that ploweth should plow in hope; and that he that thresheth in hope should be partaker of his hope.

Duty, Care and Power Disparity

⁵ If brethren dwell together, and one of them die, and have no child, the wife of the dead shall not marry without unto a stranger: her husband's brother shall go in unto her, and take her to him to wife, and perform the duty of an husband's brother unto her.

⁶ And it shall be, that the firstborn which she beareth shall succeed in the name of his brother which is dead, that his name be not put out of Israel.

⁷ And if the man like not to take his brother's wife, then let his brother's wife go up to the gate unto the elders, and say, My husband's brother refuseth to raise up unto his brother a name in Israel, he will not perform the duty of my husband's brother.

⁸ Then the elders of his city shall call him, and speak unto him: and if he stand to it, and say, I like not to take her;

⁹ Then shall his brother's wife come unto him in the presence of the elders, and loose his shoe from off his foot, and spit in his face, and shall answer and say, So

shall it be done unto that man that will not build up his brother's house.

¹⁰ And his name shall be called in Israel, The house of him that hath his shoe loosed.

- Part of keeping the lineage of Israel alive
- An essential part of the welfare system (consider Naomi & Ruth)
- This was known as the “Part of a Kinsman”

Deontological (duty-based) ethics are concerned with what people do, not with the consequences of their actions.

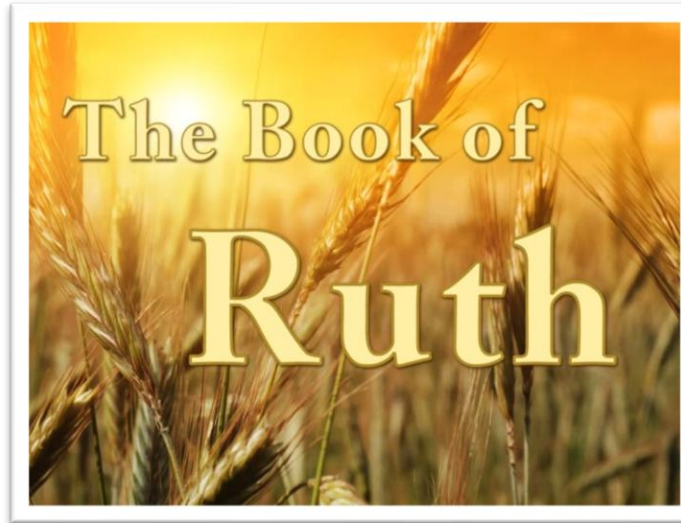
Do the right thing and Do it because it's the right

Ruth 3:11-13, 4:1-10,13

¹¹ And now, my daughter, fear not; I will do to thee all that thou requirest: for all the city of my people doth know that thou art a virtuous woman.

¹² And now it is true that I am thy near kinsman: howbeit there is a kinsman nearer than I.

¹³ Tarry this night, and it shall be in the morning, that if he will perform unto thee the part of a kinsman, well; let him do the kinsman's part: but if he will not do the part of a kinsman to thee, then will I do the part of a kinsman to thee, as the Lord liveth: lie down until the morning.



Then went Boaz up to the gate, and sat him down there: and, behold, the kinsman of whom Boaz spake came by; unto whom he said, Ho, such a one! turn aside, sit down here. And he turned aside, and sat down.

² And he took ten men of the elders of the city, and said, Sit ye down here. And they sat down.

³ And he said unto the kinsman, Naomi, that is come again out of the country of Moab, selleth a parcel of land, which was our brother Elimelech's:

⁴ And I thought to advertise thee, saying, Buy it before the inhabitants, and before the elders of my people. If thou wilt redeem it, redeem it: but if thou wilt not redeem it, then tell me, that I may know: for there is none to redeem it beside thee; and I am after thee. And he said, I will redeem it.

⁵ Then said Boaz, What day thou buyest the field of the hand of Naomi, thou must buy it also of Ruth the Moabitess, the wife of the dead, to raise up the name of the dead upon his inheritance.

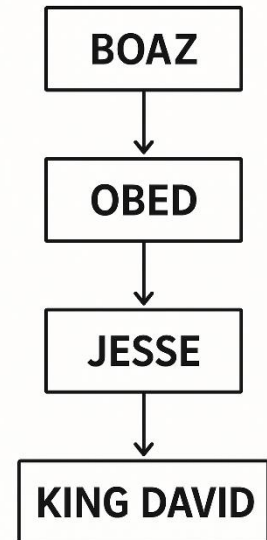
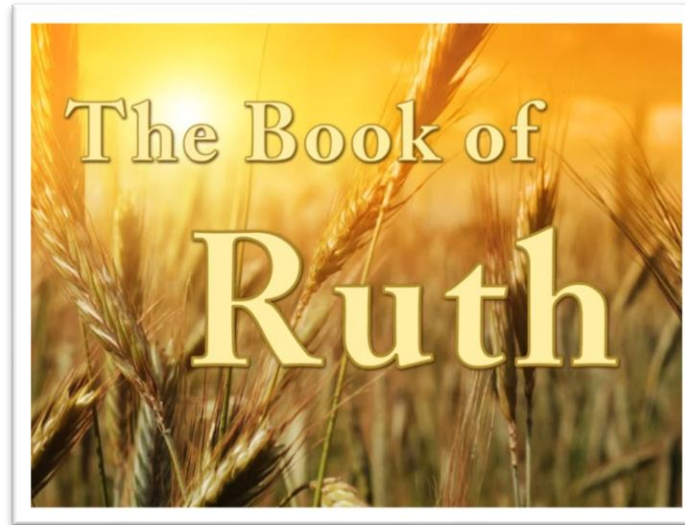
⁶ And the kinsman said, I cannot redeem it for myself, lest I mar mine own inheritance: redeem thou my right to thyself; for I cannot redeem it.

⁷ Now this was the manner in former time in Israel concerning redeeming and concerning changing, for to confirm all things; a man plucked off his shoe, and gave it to his neighbour: and this was a testimony in Israel.

⁸ Therefore the kinsman said unto Boaz, Buy it for thee. **So he drew off his shoe.**

⁹ And Boaz said unto the elders, and unto all the people, Ye are witnesses this day, that I have bought all that was Elimelech's, and all that was Chilion's and Mahlon's, of the hand of Naomi.

¹³ So Boaz took Ruth, and she was his wife: and when he went in unto her, the Lord gave her conception, and she bare a son.



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¹¹ When men strive together one with another, and the wife of the one draweth near for to deliver her husband out of the hand of him that smiteth him, and putteth forth her hand, and taketh him by the secrets:

¹² Then thou shalt cut off her hand, thine eye shall not pity her.



Honesty

¹³ Thou shalt not have in thy bag divers weights, a great and a small.

¹⁴ Thou shalt not have in thine house divers measures, a great and a small.

¹⁵ But thou shalt have a perfect and just weight, a perfect and just measure shalt thou have: that thy days may be lengthened in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

¹⁶ For all that do such things, and all that do unrighteously, are an abomination unto the Lord thy God.

- Trust in society is essential for a healthy economy
- This instruction also supports the underlying intention of helping everyone in the community to succeed

Duty, Care and Power Disparity

¹⁷ Remember what Amalek did unto thee by the way, when ye were come forth out of Egypt;

¹⁸ How he met thee by the way, and smote the hindmost of thee, even all that were feeble behind thee, when thou wast faint and weary; and he feared not God.

¹⁹ Therefore it shall be, when the Lord thy God hath given thee rest from all thine enemies round about, in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee for an inheritance to possess it, that thou shalt blot out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven; thou shalt not forget it.



The Back-story

- Israel had just relocated to a place called Rephidim
- They had run out of water
- Moses struck a rock (Horeb) and water came out for the people
- While the people were obviously suffering from lack of water the Amalekites struck
- It appears they targeted the most vulnerable first

Looking ahead

- Israel's first (official) King, Saul, was instructed to finish the destruction of the Amalekites
- King Saul failed to destroy them "utterly" (keeping the King Agag alive) and lost his kingship
- Years later, the notorious "Haman the Agagite" attempts to wipe out the Jews – it is surmised that he descended from the Amalekites that Saul failed to destroy

ST. PETER—C.M.

A. R. Reinagle.**Hymn 121**

God moves in a mysterious way,
His wonders to perform;
He plants His footsteps in the sea,
And rides upon the storm.

Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take;
The clouds ye so much dread
Are big with mercy, and shall break
In blessings on your head.

Judge not the Lord by feeble sense,
But trust Him for His grace:
Behind a frowning Providence
He hides a smiling face.

His purposes will ripen fast,
Unfolding every hour;
The bud may have a bitter taste,
But sweet will be the flower.

Blind unbelief is sure to err, And scan His work in vain;
God is His own interpreter, And He will make it plain.

Power Is Given
for Justice, Not
Domination

Deut 25:1–3 — authority is used to
“justify the righteous and condemn the
guilty,” but with limits: punishment must
not humiliate (“forty lashes but no more”).
→ Power exists for justice, not for
degradation.

Mutual
Obligation and
Interdependence

Ruth 2:10–12 — Boaz uses his
privilege to fulfil his duty to provide
protection and provision for Ruth.
→ Godly power blesses, includes,
and dignifies.

Economic and
Social Fairness

The Divine
Ethic of
Power and
Restraint

Protection of the
Weak from
Predatory Power

Deut 25:17–19 —
Remember the Amalekite attack

Deut 25:4 — “Do not muzzle an ox...”
Deut 25:13–15 – Vendors need to
maintain honesty in trade

“If two men are fighting and the wife of one of them comes to rescue her husband from his assailant, and she reaches out and seizes him by his private parts, you shall cut off her hand. Show her no pity.”

— **Deuteronomy 25:11–12**

Power and Gender in Context

- There’s an element of **power inversion** here.
- The woman steps into a male domain — male physical combat — and uses an act that weaponises vulnerability.

A Moment Where Right Motive Meets Wrong Method

- The woman’s **intention** is arguably good — she’s intervening to help her husband who’s under attack.
- But the **manner** of intervention crosses a moral boundary. The act described is one of humiliation

Deuteronomy 25:11–12 - The moral *stress test* on the ideals in the rest of the chapter

- Protection becomes violation when it disregards dignity.
- Loyalty becomes lawlessness when it uses shame as a weapon.
- Justice becomes vengeance when compassion loses restraint.

Trust in You

Letting go of every single dream
I lay each one, down at Your feet
Every moment of my wandering
Never changes, what You see
I try to win this war I confess,
my hands are weary. I need Your rest
Mighty warrior, king of the fight
No matter what I face You're by my side

[Chorus]

When You don't move the mountains
I'm needing You to move
When You don't part the waters
I wish I could walk through
When You don't give the answers
As I cry out to You
I will trust, I will trust, I will trust in You

Truth is, You know what tomorrow brings
There's not a day ahead You have not seen
So in all things be my life and breath
I want what You want Lord and nothing less

Chorus

I will trust in You

You are my strength and comfort
You are my steady hand
You are my firm foundation
The rock on which I stand
Your ways are always higher
Your plans are always good
There's not a place where I'll go
You've not already stood

Chorus

I will trust in You
(x3)

Thanks for joining us at



1 John 3:18

“My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth.”

Next week:

Sunday Church – 11:30am

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