

For the 'slow-hearted' like me

A prayer from Scotty-Smith:

And he said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself. Luke 24: 25-27 (ESV)

Lord Jesus, of all Your post-resurrection appearances (1 Cor. 15:3-7), my favourite is Your visit to forlorn friends on the road to Emmaus. I have much in common with them (Luke 24:13-35). I too am foolish and slow of heart, in constant need of the Spirit's ministry to free me from my unbelief. I remain grateful for Your tenacious tenderness, limitless patience, and steadfast love.

Jesus, continue to do for me what You did for my Emmaus Road brothers. Help me to see You everywhere in the Scriptures—the point and pinnacle of the entire Bible, it's big heartbeat and only hero, its lead character and gifted director.

May Moses' words—especially the Law, constantly drive me to You. For You have fulfilled the demands of the law for us and are now fulfilling the beauty of the law in us. Keep me clear and free from every expression of "me-centred", earning-based, grace-lite spirituality. The older I get, the more I want to hear Your glorious declaration, "It is finished!" and really believe it.

And keep convincing me You are the resounding "Yes!" to every promise God has made through the prophet (2 Cor. 1:20). Things in our world are not as they appear. Providence, not happenstance, rules the universe. Having risen and ascended to the Father's right hand, You are presently making all things new. You are sovereign over every cricket and crisis, every sorrow and every star. Faith, not fear, is the order of this and every day.

Give me an incurable case of "redemptive heartburn," Jesus, like that which You ignited in the hearts of my Emmaus brothers. Keep showing me more of Your glory and grace, that I might give You the adoration and allegiance of which You alone are worthy. So very Amen I pray, in Your holy and transforming name.

For more prayers like this check out: thegospelcoalition.org/blogs/scottysmith



10 February 2019 | Service Times: 9am & 11:30am

Welcome, we're glad you're here!

We are a church family committed to following Jesus Christ as Lord. We do this by getting to know him through his living Word, the Bible, which is why the sermon is the key part of our Sunday services. Find out more about us at www.slechurch.org.au.

This Week: Encounters with Jesus— Restoration after Failure

Jesus offers and provides complete restoration to those who have failed Him—a restoration of relationship with Jesus and service to Jesus.

Next Week: Encounters with Jesus—The Re-commissioned Murderer



Today's Service

Welcome and Singing

Holy Communion

Offering

Community News

Bible Reading John 18:12-27, 21: 1-19

Sermon By Pastor Ben Ho

Song of Response The Lord Is My Salvation

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Say hello

Join us for morning tea at 10:30am.
We'd love to have a chat and get to know you better.

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Financial Update

Last Week	\$3,973.53
Weekly Required	\$5,916.00
Shortfall 2019	\$1,736.00

Giving by Electronic Funds Transfer

A/C Name: SLE Church
Bank: National Australia Bank
BSB: 084-424
A/C No: 396558544

SLE Church is a branch church of Chinese Christian Church Brisbane

Prayer Points

PRAISE GOD THAT JESUS IS ALIVE!

Praise God our greatest need, forgiveness of sins, is secured through the death and resurrection of Jesus. Praise God that in the resurrection our hopes of eternal restored relationship with God are met.

PRAISE GOD THAT ALL OF SCRIPTURE

points to the work of Jesus. Pray that we would grow in understanding how each portion of scripture helps us understand the person, nature, and work of Jesus—and that this would grow our knowledge, feed our faith, and overflow in joy.

PRAISE GOD THAT IN THE GOSPEL

we have reconciliation with God and restoration from our past failures. Praise God that faith in Jesus frees us from the condemnation of sin—including the shame and condemnation of the past. Pray that we would live holy and righteous lives in response to being reconciled to God.

PRAY FOR NORTH QUEENSLAND

as it begins the recovery process after flooding. Pray for farmers dealing with the loss of their produce or stock. Pray for churches in the region serving their communities—pray for opportunities to share Jesus in the midst of the clean up.

Community News

OMF ANNUAL STATE CONFERENCE

The OMF Annual State Conference will be held on Saturday 9 March from 8:30am-3pm at the BST (Brisbane School of Theology).

The main theme is SERVING THE UNSEEN, with sessional topics including:

- Trends in Asian Mission (Andrew Prince)
- Q&A on serving the unseen (James)
- Missional business (Johan Linder)
- Prayer journey along China's Silk Road (James)

Come along to the State Conference to discover how you can serve the unseen God among the unseen people.

Cost: Adults (\$20); Students (\$15); Children 12 and under (\$10).

To register, contact qld@omfmail.com or (07) 3391 6777. Registration closes 23 Feb.

Please contact Ken Choi on centro.toowong1@gmail.com for any queries.

Serving

	Today	Next Week
Chair	Bryan	Ps Steven
Preach	Ps Ben	Ps Ben
Bible Read	Ps Steven <i>Marilyn</i>	Andrew <i>Alan</i>
M.Tea	Winnie T. Daisy	Lillian Elleen
Wash Up	SaLT	Sunday YF
Welcome	Richard Georgie Meng Yin <i>David</i> <i>James</i> <i>Sarah</i> <i>Leya</i>	Richard Georgie Meng Yin <i>David</i> <i>James</i> <i>Sarah</i> <i>Leya</i>
Stewards	<i>Josiah</i> <i>Cam</i> <i>DT</i>	<i>Josiah</i> <i>Cam</i> <i>Alan</i>
Piano	Dan Lowe	Liesl
Guitar		Ivan
Bass		
Drums		
Vocal	Shaun	Alisha
PA	Reuten <i>Matt T.</i>	William, Matt Z <i>Chris, Stanley</i>

Encounters with Jesus—The Restoration of Peter [John 21:15-19]

1. Introduction

A. Experiencing ongoing failure

B. Entering the denouement of John's Gospel

2. A Portrait of Peter

A. A keen, convicted and confessing disciple (John 1:40-42; 6:68-69)

B. An exuberant but ignorant disciple (John 13:2-11, 13:21-38)

C. A denying, disowning disciple (John 18:15-27)

3. More than a Character Lesson

4. Jesus Encounters Peter

A. Restoring relationship

B. Restoring purpose

5. Precious Lessons

A. Restoration is always possible

B. Restoration is both into relationship and service