

Wednesday thoughts



Teaching is our theme for this week.

Today teachers everywhere must be so frustrated that right now they are unable to follow their chosen calling – to pass on their knowledge to children and young people. Yes, we are well aware of the masses of schemes that have been set in place to enhance learning at home, but however well-organized it cannot be better than for children and young people to sit in a classroom with their peers and together absorb a teacher's words, instructions and knowledge.

The teaching of Peter & Cornelius from Acts 10:1-33 (NRSV) comes to mind here. When their most incredible of teachers, Jesus, had returned to heaven God gave them the power to continue to teach and preach his Word.

Back to the here and now.

In countless ways we are all called to be teachers. Naturally only very few have an ability to explain the Laws of Pythagoras or broadcast the wonders of ancient Greek or The Universe, but most do possess a knowledge of other things in our lives of good value like love and care, kindness and honesty, common sense and reliability, sensitivity and understanding – all these and many more important traits and attributes are vital in the process of learning and teaching what is 'lovely and of good report'.

As novice teachers we ask God for the means to pass on our own best knowledge of living in the ways of his son.

Blessings everyone.