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Making, maturing, & multiplying disciples of Jesus Christ for God's glory

New or Visiting? We're delighted you've been able to join us today. If you're new to St Bart's, we'd love to connect with you and hear more of your story. Please complete a next steps card in-person or online at: stbarts.com.au/nextsteps



FEATURED NEWS



MISSION PARTNER

The Langmeads serving in Lightning Ridge with BCA. For prayer points, see the back of the news.



MISSION PARTNER NATIONAL Bush Church Aid: The Langmeads at Lightning Ridge

St Bart's Liaison Penny Fuelling



GENERAL NEWS

LIFE TOGETHER: GIVE.

Generously sharing our financial resources is one of the ways in which we share in our life together. If you're not yet a regular giver—and are interested in doing so—you can give by direct debit (details on the back of the NEWS), or online stbarts.com.au/give

This Week on Your Frontline. What role or task do you need the Bible's wisdom for this week?

Alpha online. Invite a friend and come along to our online Alpha course, a chance to explore faith in a safe and welcoming environment. Register here stbarts.com.au/events

Saturday Social. Thank you to those who came along to our Saturday Social event!

Parenting Courses. Two online parenting courses are starting next week. Parenting Children and the Parenting Teenagers are 5-weeks long. Both courses start on Monday Feb 2 at 7PM. Register to receive the link to the course and a practical workbook. Find out more and register at stbarts.com.au/events

Ridley Certificate. If you would like to explore the Bible more deeply, come and try the new 6-week course on the Gospel of John. Starting on 3 February. Register at stbarts.com.au/events

COMING UP

- Feb 2: Parenting Children*
- Feb 2: Parenting Teens*
- Feb 2: Alpha Launch Party*
- Feb 3: Ridley- John's Gospel*

*Register to join online at stbarts.com.au/events

NEWS HIGHLIGHT

New Series: The Gospel of John is unique in the New Testament. Where the Gospel of Mark begins with Jesus' launch into ministry, Luke opens with the foretelling of John the Baptist's birth, and Matthew commences with a summary of Jesus' genealogy, John transports us much further back: *to the beginning! Right from the opening words of John, he not only shows us the supremacy and glory of Jesus, but he calls us to recognise and respond to Jesus.* That we would believe that Jesus is the Messiah and Son of God.

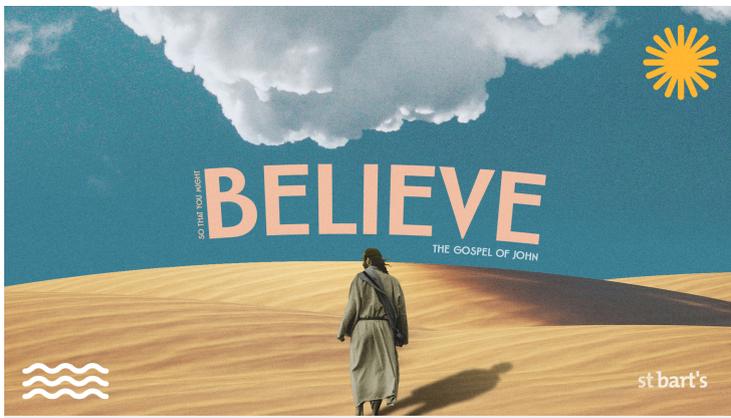
The main device that John employs to achieve his purpose (to move us to belief in Jesus) is a focus on a series of signs by Jesus. We're confident about this, not because we've cleverly deduced John's driving purpose for writing, but because he plainly tells us in some of his closing words:

But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name. (John 20:31)

John's gospel is full of examples of people encountering Jesus. Some fail to recognise who he is. Others reject him and seek his demise. But many grasp the gravity of who he is and believe in him. The same invitation is open to us today.

As we start a new series in John in the lead up to Easter (be sure to *collect* or *download* a copy of the series overview), make the most of the opportunity to examine the claims and signs of Jesus. Not for the sake of knowledge, but to strengthen our belief and to delight in the life he brings.

Adam Lowe (Senior Minister)



SUNDAY SERMON NOTES

Series: THE GOSPEL OF JOHN (1/12) – Word Made Flesh (John 1:1-18)

by Rev'd Adam Lowe

The Word Eternal (vv.1-5)

The Word Received (or Rejected) (vv.6-13)

The Word Made Flesh (vv.14-18)

Sermon Series and Weekly Family Resources

Download a transcript of today's sermon by scanning the QR Code. Translation points in Korean, Dinka, Simplified Chinese and Tamil. For sermons (video, audio, transcripts), Small Group, St Bart's Kids, and Youth resources:

stbarts.com.au/sermons

Subscribe to the Sermon Podcast using your favourite Podcast app (search for "St Bart's Brisbane").



PRAYER THIS WEEK

Workers for the Harvest.

Pray for a Youth Minister and a Church Planter; that God will stir hearts and grant courage to those he has called to be workers for the harvest. Pray for more givers towards the Training Fund, so that more church workers may be raised up.

Life Together - GIVE. *Please pray that God would provide—through his people—all of the resources that we need in order to fulfil our ministry and mission as a church. Please pray that there might be more people considering becoming regular givers.*

BCA. *Give thanks for: a great time at CMS summer school. Pray for our community during the heat wave, and give thanks for the plan to open the church hall for community members to drop in for air-conditioned rest. Please pray for our new curate/BCA minister in training, Samuel Ogg and family; for preparations for our upcoming BCA regional mission week (22-29 Mar), with BCA partner church, Northlight, along with a mission team from Moore Theological College, Sydney.*

Those unwell/in need.

Charlotte, Morgan, Hannah, Robbie, Cheryl, Dell, Bill, Graham B, Reg, Josh, Alan, Tridiv, Amy F, John W.

GIVING Details

Giving in December **\$57,590**
Budgeted Amount \$60,000

Giving 2025 (to date) **\$672,337**
Budget (to date) \$720,000

Ways to financially support the ministry of St Bart's:

#1 Direct Deposit

Tithes & Offerings

BSB: 704 901 Acc: 00009650

Church Building Fund

BSB: 704 901 Acc: 00014729

#2 Scan the QR Code



BIBLE READINGS

If you don't have a Bible or a Bible app with you, you can collect one from the ushers. You're also very welcome to keep one and take it home!

SUNDAY SERVICES

TOOWOOMBA

7.30AM In-Person & Online*

9.30AM In-Person & Online*

6.00PM In-Person

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BRISBANE

9.30AM In-Person

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