

"LIFE THROUGH THE LENS"



BEEHIVE AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLER

Previously, trips to Bookpurnong could be to look after the cat and dog while Sean and Connie went on holiday. This time, there was also a beehive that was gifted to him. Sean introduced me to them on the last trip. They are a very friendly hive. When lifting frames and checking their well-being, they appeared content to casually walk over your gloveless hands and be gently brushed back into the hive box. Over this past fortnight, I observed these very friendly bees. I was fascinated by how they fly in, land, and scuttle over and around each other without any apparent animosity, all in their haste to deliver their load inside, only to later appear at the entrance and, without hesitation, zoom off to wherever. I pondered, "Do they have an "Air Traffic Controller?" Apparently, bees live harmoniously together in a hive when they instinctively follow a strong queen. So, if bees can do it, why can't we?

Some have said to me, "How can I know what God wants? It's all confusing", and I agree, at times, it can appear so. But remember, because of his love for you, he does not want you confused. In the Bible, he said, "I will put my laws into their minds, and write them on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people". **(Heb. 8:10b)** So maybe we need to be more prepared to have God open our hearts and minds to what He is trying to get us to understand, even when it appears hard to understand. He has said it's in you. You need to focus more on me and my love for you and less on yourself and your love of self. Be prepared to say, as His Son Jesus said, even when facing death on the cross, "Father, if it's your will, take this suffering away from me. However, not my will, but your will must be done." **(Luke 11:42)**

Knowing and living as God expects is not meant to be complicated as long as you trust the words of Jesus when he says, "Come to me, all who find life burdensome and feel loaded down, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.. " **(Matthew 11: 28 - 30)**

The bees instinctively know about collecting and delivering nectar and pollen to the hive for the good of the hive and each bee. They are busily doing what God planned for them, so harmony exists. They don't need Air Traffic Controllers.

God also tells us, When a man's ways please the Lord, he makes even his enemies be at peace with him. **(Proverbs 16:7)**

Are you feeling at odds with the world and not sure about God? Try talking to God about Him, helping you better understand His ways and what it means for your life. And don't forget to dig into His words in the Bible. **(Luke 11:28)**

God bless,
Kevin.