

"LIFE THROUGH THE LENS"



BLOWN AROUND

We see them all over the place. Rolly Pollies are blowing across paddocks, caught and stuck against fences. One day blown this way. The next day blown another way. All at the whim of an ever-changing wind. Why?

As the soil in which the plants were rooted has changed, dried and no longer nourishes the plants, they are no longer sustained, and they too become dry and at the mercy of the winds which blow across their world.

Sadly, we see increasing evidence of lives being uprooted and blown around.

We see community beliefs and standards being blown by the whims of media and unsubstantiated self-belief.

TV programmes depict family break-up as the norm to be expected. Anger raises its head across communities. Love becomes something to be taken rather than given. "Me first!" becomes the standard catchcry. "If you don't agree with me, you are wrong!" has become the shout drowning out reason. Communities, families, individuals are blown against the fences of pain and destruction.

So is there something solid some teaching, some standard for society, communities, families, and individuals?

Jesus told his followers (and He wants to include you as one, if not now, then one day) to expect problems in life, but then he went on. "I have told you all this so that you will have peace of heart and mind. Here on earth, you will have many trials and sorrows, but cheer up, for I have overcome the world." (John 16:33)

For over two thousand years, communities, families, and individuals have drawn strength from these words when confronted with the winds of doubt and confusion.

So can we! Let's talk about it! First, to the one who always cares for us, Jesus, then to each other....IN COMPASSIONATE CARE.

God bless,

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