## <u>CITIZENSHIP</u> (What is it?)

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There's a lot of talk going on about citizenship in Australia. The government is even putting out a book of questions and answers about knowing about Australia. Does knowledge make one a good citizen? Maybe it might help, although apparently the knowledge of famous sportsmen of our past, or what our national flower is, or other trivia, is probably not going to help us much.

Everyone knows in their hearts that citizenship is about loyalty and even self-sacrifice for the <u>people</u>, the fellow-citizens of the particular nation, and for the <u>collective</u> ideals. In a democracy or a republic these are decided by the citizens themselves, but in a kingdom or a dictatorship there is only one real ruler. This is when the standards or rules decide whether it is a good place to be or not.

We realise that most who have come to Australia from other places have come in search of a "better" environment. Perhaps they will have their "say" more in a democracy, but that is actually an illusion, because even in a democracy the "leaders" can become dictators.

## BUT

There is a kingdom that is above all others and a king that is good and kind but powerful. He actually wants to make our lives better – more prosperous, more successful, happy and empowered. He longs that all people will desire his kingdom, but, just as citizenship of a country is by choice and "application", so is citizenship in His kingdom.

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