

Bethany IV ... 4 February 2018 ... Holy Communion Sunday

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MEDITATION

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Text: Isaiah 25



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"A STRENGTH TO THE NEEDY"

READING THE BOOK OF ISAIAH

We will be studying the Book of Isaiah in the Church Family Camp, at Le Grandeur, Johor (11-16 March 2018). Today's Meditation is taken from Isaiah 25.

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For You have been a strength to the poor,

A strength to the needy in his distress,

A refuge from the storm,

A shade from the heat;

For the blast of the terrible ones is as a storm against a wall.

Isaiah 25:4

- 1. The prophecy of war and hard times
 - (a) One of the many prophecies Isaiah proclaimed was war
 - (b) The enemies were called "the terrible ones"
 - (c) War was described as
 - i. A storm
 - ii. The heat
 - iii. The blast
- 2. Many suffer in times of war
 - (a) The poor suffer even more
 - (b) They become even more needy
 - (c) They have no resources to fall back on
 - (d) Except the LORD their God
- 3. The LORD would not fail His people who trust in Him
 - (a) He would be their strength in distress
 - (b) He would help the poor
 - (c) He would both their refuge and shade

SO MUCH MORE TO LEARN ABOUT GOD

The Book of Isaiah offers many rich and profound lessons about the Lord our God. Let us seek to do our part to prepare ourselves for the Family Camp.

1. Historical backdrop of the Book of Isaiah Read 2 Chronicles 26-32

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- 2. Isaiah ministered during the reigns of 4 kings Uzziah (tail end), Jotham, Ahaz and Hezekiah
- 3. His ministry to King Hezekiah
 - (a) Relevant
 - (b) Vital
 - (c) Dynamic

Let's look forward to reading and appreciating the Book of Isaiah! Try reading Isaiah before going to the Family Camp. \Im

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We are glad you have chosen to worship the Lord Jesus Christ with us today. May your heart be encouraged and enlightened through worship and fellowship! \Im



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CATECHISM CLASS TODAY

Time: 1.00pm Venue: 4.08 v

PRAYER MEETING AND BIBLE STUDY

We will not be having PM and BS this week. Pastors Charles, Mark and Mitch and Deacon Terence Teng will be ministering in Myanmar. BTS Graduation week (5-9 Feb. 2018). \$\frac{1}{3}\$



HOLY COMMUNION TODAY

The Bread

And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, eat, this is My body." Matthew 26:26

The Cup

Then He took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you. For this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins." Matthew 26:27 \$\frac{1}{3}\$

COMBINED WORSHIP IN FEBRUARY AND MARCH

18 February 2018

Chinese New Year No Fellowship Lunch!

25 February 2018

ACM of Bethany and BTS after the Lunch Fellowship at 1.00pm at the Sanctuary.

March 2018

The entire month of March will see us having Combined Worship. This is Easter Month. We will need the Sunday afternoons for Choir practice! \$\forall\$

ACM (BETHANY AND BTS)

Date: 25 February 2018
Time: 1.00pm

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Thank God for another wonderful year of blessings from the Lord.

- His provision
- 2. His protection

They are unmistakably obvious! T

CHURCH FAMILY CAMP

11-16 March 2018 "Walk in the Light of the LORD"

- 1. Light
 - (a) This was given by the Lord
 - (b) This is a reference to enlightenment
- 2. What happens if we do not walk in the Light?
 - (a) Much light was given to ancient Israel

 Moses brought much light through the teaching of God's Word
 - (b) But Israel did not walk in the light
 - i. The nation departed from the Lord
 - ii. Many problems engulfed the nation
 - iii. Finally, the nation was captured and the exiled from their home land

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- (c) The dangers still exist
 - i. Our children may not walk in the Light
 - ii. Let us pray that we will desire to walk in the Light of God's Word

"Your word is a lamp to my feet And a light to my path." Psalm 119:105 \$

CELEBRATING BETHANY'S 40+5 ANNIVERSARY

- 1. Let us reflect on the lessons the Lord has taught us.
- 2. Let us rejoice in the Lord and His blessings
- 3. Let us remember to extol the Lord for all His goodness and faithfulness shown to us it

CONGRATULATIONS

To Hui Min and Lionel on the gift of their first son. Baby Joses was born on 29 January 2018 in Perth. む

THANKSGIVING

Mrs. Annie Ho was discharged from hospital on Tuesday 30 January 2018. Thank God for His grace and mercy shown! v



OUR DEEP APPRECIATION

Dear Pastor Charles, Pastoral Team, Session Members and Brethren,

We are very grateful and thankful for all your help and support given to our late Uncle, Mr. Sim Soo Hee. He had such a beautiful and meaningful farewell.

Our hearts were touched as we listened to the messages and poems which have comforted and encouraged us very much.

God's love for my late uncle was so evidenced by the people caring for him. Every detail was looked into over the last few days when the funerary services were held.

We thank all who have rallied to give their support despite their heavy schedules. We can't thank you enough.

We are so blessed by Bethany, "God's kind of Church, where God is touching lives and people care for people."

May God continue to bless Bethany!

Andrew and Poh Choo 🕆

WORSHIP



Psalm 89:3-4

I have made a covenant with My chosen, I have sworn to My servant David;

Your seed I will establish forever, And build up your throne to all generations.

- 1. The promise of a Davidic Covenant
 - (a) This was given to David
 - (b) God will build up his throne
 - (c) He will establish it forever

2. Messianic Significance

- (a) This was in part personal to David
- (b) There was a greater Messianic significance
- (c) This is a reference to the throne that God will establish for the Messiah \Im



POETRY CORNER

FOR THIS PURPOSE I CAME TO THIS HOUR

"The hour" was a phrase Jesus used to speak of His death; Few understood God's plan of salvation and its breadth. As "the hour" drew nearer, His soul was a little troubled; But He knew that He must be strong and not stumble.

Swiftly, He prayed to His Father and recalled His Plan; He had been sent to redeem erring, sinful Man! "The Hour" of His death would not be easy to bear; He must find strength from God in humble prayer.

His purpose was to bring great glory to His Father's Name; He will not flinch nor falter, for that would bring shame! The prayer was heard and the Father spoke to His Son; His name will be glorified when the Victory is won!

Assured, Jesus spoke of how He would die on the Cross; He found renewed strength for His death was not a Loss! Those who find faith in Him will come to full appreciation; He must embrace "the hour" that we may have salvation!

Inspiration: John 12:27-28 Charles Tan पे

BIBLE MEMORY WORK

Today, 4 February 2018

Psalm 31:24 He shall strengthen your heart

Be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart, All you who hope in the LORD.

1. Initial Trust and Strength Psalm 31:1-8

This was present.

2. Loss of Strength Psalm 31:9-14

This was felt sorely.

3. Regaining of Strength Psalm 31:15-24

This was deeply appreciated.

The challenge given: To be of good courage and the Lord will strengthen the heart!

NEXT SUNDAY: 11 February 2018

Psalm 37: 39 Their strength in the time of trouble

But the salvation of the righteous is from the Lord; He is their strength in the time of trouble. T

THEME: ASCRIBE STRENGTH TO THE LORD

This Week @ Worship

- MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE — 10.30 AM . CHURCH SANCTUARY

"My strength and my shield" Psalm 28 Chairmen

Deacon George Thomas

Deacon Jacob Chacko

Speaker

Rev Dr Charles Tan

Pianist

Mr Gabriel Ou

Organist

Mrs Sally Tan

<u>Interpreter</u>

Ms Tan Hwee Cheng

Chairman

Mr Stanley Woo

<u>Pianist</u>

Ms Edlyn Chong

Speaker

Mr Lai Chung Han

Usher

Ms Germaine Kong

— TEENS' WORSHIP SERVICE — 10.30 AM .

3rd Floor Auditorium 3~2

"My grace is sufficient for you" 2 Corinthians 12

— CHILDREN'S CHURCH — 10.30 AM

> "My Father's House" John 2:13~22

CC I: P1—P3

3rd Floor Auditorium 3-1 CC II: P4—P6
4th Floor
Auditorium 4-1

<u>Speaker</u> Mrs Joanne Tan <u>Speaker</u> Ms Camille George

<u>Chairman</u>

Mr Goh Qingyang

Pianist

Ms Tay Soo Leng

Speaker

Student-Pastor Eugene Seow

<u>Interpreter</u>

Deacon

Dr Tan Peng Hui

- COMBINED EVENING-BILINGUAL WORSHIP SERVICE —

4.00 PM . 4th Floor Auditorium 4-2, 3 "Strengthen me according to your word" Psalm 119:28

Breakfast: Edward Koh

Fellowship Lunch: JJ & Cassandra Yeo; Joanna Yam

Evening Tea: Andrew & Huei Li

BETHANY CHURCH ACTIVITIES

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	Day	Time	Venue	Locatio
WORSHIP SER VICES				
Morning Worship Service		10.30 am	Church Sanctuary	2 nd floor
Children's Worship I (PI – P3)]		Auditorium 3-1	3 rd floor
Children's Worship II (P4 – P6)	Sun		Auditorium 4-1	4 th floor
Teens' Worship Service			Auditorium 3-2	3 rd floor
Combined Evening-Bilingual		4.00pm	Auditorium 4-2 & 4-3	4 th floor
SUNDAY SCHOOL				
Crèche		8.30am 10.30am	Green Turf	Ist floor
Beginners' Sunday School	Sun	8.30am	Auditorium 2-1	2nd floor
Junior Sunday School I			Auditorium 3-1	3 rd floor
Junior Sunday School II			Auditorium 4-2	4th floor
Intermediate Sunday School			Auditorium 3-2	3 rd floor
Senior Sunday School I			Fellowship Hall	Ist floor
Senior Sunday School II			Main Sanctuary	2 nd floor
Senior Sunday School III			Prayer Room 4-1	4 th floor
Senior Sunday School IV			Auditorium 4-I	4 th floor
Special Needs Ministry	┪ ┃		Auditorium 4-3	4 th floor
Singing Kakis One Voice Youth Choir	Thurs - Sat	8.00 pm 5.00 pm 5.00 pm	Auditorium 3-2 Auditorium 4-2 Auditorium 3-1	3 rd floor 4 th floor 3 rd floor
Evergreens	Sun	1.00 pm	Auditorium 3-1	3 rd floor
BIBLE STUDY				
Church Bible Study	Tue	8.00 pm	Church Sanctuary	2 nd floor
Home Bible Study	2 nd and 4 th Thurs	3.00 pm	-	-
Mandarin Bible Study	I st and 3 rd Fri	7.30 pm	4th Floor Auditorium	4 th floor
CATECHISM CLASS	Sun	1.00 pm	Auditorium 4-2	4 th floor
PRAYER MEETING	Mon	8.00 pm	Church Sanctuary	2 nd floor
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FELLOWSHIP GROUPS			•	
Young People's Group I	Sat	3.00 pm	Auditorium 2-1	2 nd floor
Young People's Group II			Auditorium 3-2	3 rd floor
Young People's Group III			Auditorium 3-1	3 rd floor
Young Adults' Group			Auditorium 4-2 & 4-3	4 th floor
Young Married Group	」	4	Auditorium 4-I	4 th floor
Adults' Ministry		4.00 pm	Auditorium 4-1	4 th floor

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MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE 4 February 2018 Order of Worship

PREPARATION

Pre-Worship Singing Pianist: Mr Gabriel Ou

Organist: Mrs Sally Tan

Century Praise 314 We Gather Together

Prelude

Call to Worship Deacon George Thomas

Deacon Jacob Chacko

Invocation

PRAISE

Hymns

Century Praise 6 How Great Thou Art

Century Praise 291 Jesus Is All The World To Me

Song No. 3 In Christ Alone

PRAYER

Pastoral Prayer

"PREACH THE WORD"

Message: "My strength and my shield"

Text: Psalm 28

Speaker: Rev Dr Charles Tan

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Hymn

HWC No. 377 Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken

Partaking of the Bread

Hymn

HWC No. 379 Take My Life And Let It Be

Partaking of the Cup

RESPONSE

Offering

Hymn

Century Praise 338 O Jesus, I Have Promised

Prayerful Meditation

Benediction

Postlude

EVENING-BILINGUAL WORSHIP SERVICE 4 February 2018 Order of Worship

PREPARATION 预备

Pre-Worship Singing Pianist: Ms Tay Soo Leng

Century Praise No. 66 As The Deer

如鹿切慕溪水

Prelude 前奏

Call to Worship 齐来称颂 Mr Goh Qingyang

Interpreter: Mr Kevin Low

Invocation 祈祷

PRAISE 赞美诗

Hymns

Century Praise No. 91 Praise Him! Praise Him!

赞美耶稣

Century Praise No. 302 You Are My All In All

主是我一切

Century Praise No. 345 Wherever He Leads, I'll Go

主领我何往必去

PRAYER 牧祷

"PREACH THE WORD" 证道

Message: "Strengthen me according to your word"

求你照你的话使我坚立。

Text: Psalm 119:28 诗篇 119:28 Speaker: Student-Pastor Eugene Seow

Interpreter: Deacon Dr Tan Peng Hui

THE LORD'S SUPPER 圣餐 Rev Dr Charles Tan

Hymn

Century Praise No. 327 O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

神的爱永不弃我

Partaking of the Bread

Hymn

Century Praise No. 327 O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

神的爱永不弃我

Partaking of the Cup

RESPONSE

Offering 奉献

Hymn

Century Praise No. 348 Lord, Speak To Me 恳求教我听主声音

Prayerful Meditation

Benediction

Postlude

PASTORAL LETTER

Senior Pastor: Rev Dr Charles Tan

4 February 2018

Dear Brethren,

A WONDER FUL PROMISE

It is natural that we turn to the Lord in our hour of need and in our time of trouble. The Lord understands our needs and He makes this wonderful offer.

Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify Me. Psalm 50:15

- 1. Call upon Me in the day of trouble
 - a) This was something that God also said to Jeremiah
 - i) The prophet was imprisoned by a wicked king
 - ii) He was urged to call upon the Lord
 - b) Our day of trouble
 - i) It could be health issues
 - ii) It could be family problems
- 2. I will deliver you
 - a) This is God's promise
 - b) He will help us
 - c) He will stand by what He has promised
- 3. And you shall glorify Me
 - a) What a glorious opportunity to glorify the Lord
 - b) Let us consider this thought carefully

APPROPRIATE RESPONSE

Let us take time to consider what the Psalmist said as he thought about the blessings he has received from God.

What shall I render the LORD for all His benefits
Toward me? Psalm 116:12

Prayerfully,

Pastor Charlie





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