Youth Worship

BETHANY INDEPENDENT-PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

God's kind of church, where God is touching lives, and people care for people.

A WARM WELCOME TO BETHANY!

We are glad that you have chosen to worship with us today. We thank God that we can return to worshipping the Lord together.

May your heart be deeply uplifted at Worship!



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COME AND WORSHIP

As we read Psalm 95, we may observe that the Psalmist worships the Lord with consciousness and understanding of who God is. God is the Rock of our salvation, He is the great God, the great King above all gods, and He is our Maker.

Who are we to come before God? How does God see us?

"For He is our God, And we are the people of His pasture, And the sheep of His hand."

PSALM 95:7

- 1. A precious relationship with God
 - a. We are the people of His pasture
 - b. We are the sheep of His hand
- 2. The relationship of a shepherd and his sheep
 - a. A good shepherd protects his sheep
 - b. He will take care of their welfare
 - c. He will also know each one by name (John 10)
 - d. The sheep of his flock will hear and recognise the shepherd's voice (John 10)
- 3. God as our Shepherd
 - a. God is personally involved in our lives
 - b. He does all that a good shepherd will do

We must be grateful that God relates to us in such a precious and special way. Through the mountains and valleys of life, God is there to guide. May we respond appropriately by worshipping our God with appreciation and thanksgiving as His people!



ORDER OF WORSHIP

YOUTH WORSHIP SERVICE - 8 May 2021

Call to Worship

Pastor Charles Tan

Opening Prayer

Scripture Reading:

- 1. Genesis 15:1-3
- 2. Genesis 15:4-7
- 3. Genesis 15:8
- 4. Genesis 15:9-18

Bethany Toong, Asia Tan, and Tessa Kang

Pastoral Prayer

Message:

"Questions are not necessarily Doubts" Genesis 15: 1 Peter 2:1-3: 2 Peter 1:1-4

Closing Prayer

Pastor Benjamin Quah

Pastor Charles Tan



MY NOTES

8 MAY 2021

"Questions are not necessarily Doubts"

Genesis 15; 1 Peter 2:1-3; 2 Peter 1:1-4

REVIEW OF GOD'S WORD

Let us review what we have learned at our last Youth Worship!

YWS MESSAGE - 24 April 2021 "HE ACCOUNTED TO HIM FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS" GENESIS 15:6

INTRODUCTION

- 1. God's Gift of Faith
 - a. It comes from the grace of God
 - b. Its importance is recognised
 - c. It is to be applied
- 2. God's Response to our Faith
 - a. God will respond favourably to the Believer
 - b. He will account our faith as Righteousness
 - c. The Journey of Faith Continues

APPRECIATING THE PRESENCE OF GOD

It was God all along!

1. God's Call

"Get out of your country..."

Genesis 12:1

2. God's Appearance

"The LORD appeared to Abram..."

Genesis 12:7

3. God's Protection in Egypt

Genesis 12:10-20

"The LORD plagued Pharaoh and his house"

Genesis 12:17

4. God's word of Assurance

"I am your shield"

Genesis 15:1

5. God's Confirmation

"I am the LORD, who brought you out of

Genesis 15:7

Ur of the Chaldeans"

LEARNING VITAL LESSONS OF FAITH ALONG THE WAY

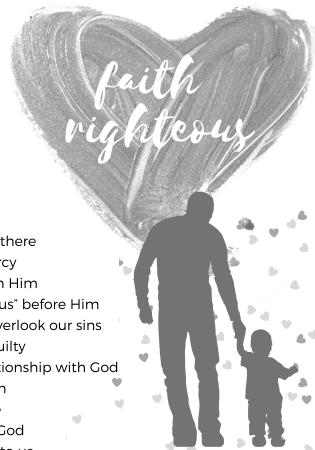
- Lesson of Faith-Response
 (Ur of the Chaldees to Canaan)
 - a. It takes Faith
 - b. Faith feeds on knowledge
 - c. Knowledge leads to action
 - d. Action leads to a more certain faith
- Lessons from Negative Experiences in life (Egypt)
 - a. Embarrassing Mistakes
 - i. Deceit
 - ii. Lies
 - iii. In trouble
 - b. Learning more about God's
 - i. Care
 - ii. Commitment
 - iii. Compassion
- 3. Lessons on Humility
 - a. Returning to Canaan
 - b. Returning to God
 - c. Restoration of Relationship with God



- 4. Lessons of Courageous Action
 - a. Rescuing Lot
 - b. Fighting mighty enemies
 - c. Trusting God

GOD'S ACCOUNTING OF RIGHTEOUSNESS

- 1. Meaning of "To account"
 - a. To reckon
 - b. To calculate
 - c. To count
 - d. To credit
 - e. To impute
- 2. It is a glorious Act of God
 - a. God considers our faith
 - i. Whether it is genuine
 - ii. Whether it is actually there
 - b. God gives grace and mercy
 - i. He rewards our faith in Him
 - ii. He counts us "righteous" before Him
 - iii. He will forgive and overlook our sins
 - iv. He will not hold us guilty
 - c. We now have a new relationship with God
 - i. He calls us His children
 - ii. He calls us His people
 - iii. He calls Himself our God
 - iv. He commits Himself to us
 - v. He will have compassion on us when we are weak and sinful
 - vi. He will care for us forever
 - vii. He has given to us a wonderful Covenant



CONCLUSION

- 1. Abram believed in God
 - a. He had every reason to believe in the Lord
 - i. Promise
 - ii. Protection
 - iii. Provision
 - b. He was wonderfully blessed
 - i. A new relationship (friendship) with God
 - ii. A growing faith
- 2. Encouragement to believe in God
 - a. Confession of sins
 - b. Cleansing promised by God
 - c. Christ Jesus the Lord is our wonderful:
 - i. Saviour
 - ii. Shepherd
 - iii. Shield



REFLECTION

Written by Chloe Tang

God wants to relate to us

At YWS, we have been learning about faith and Abram's walk with the Lord. One thing that stood out to me from the last message was how God can be there along this journey of faith. We have a great God who is patient, loving, and powerful. He wants to relate to us, all we have to do is have faith in Him and be willing to learn lessons along the way.



Abram's Journey of Faith

Learning about Abram's walk has been enlightening to me. Many of us remember Abram as a great father of faith, but in reality, Abram was also just a human like you and me, who learnt lessons of faith by God's grace. He began with some faith when he followed God's call to leave his country. Faith requires a response. There was God's part in reaching out to Abram, and there was Abram's part in listening and heeding God's call. Along the way, God appeared to Abram. He was constantly there with him, and provided for all his needs. This was true even when Abram faltered in his faith, back in Egypt.

Applying Faith

We can see that Abram did not instantly have faith. It took God's grace and mercy for him to cultivate faith. As long as we believe in God, He will count us as one of His own. God also doesn't demand that we are perfect. He will provide even when we stumble, which is a comforting thought, for I know that my faith falters at times. God also kept building His relationship with Abram, which He does with us too! God will be there all the way, as long as we make the decision to involve Him in our lives. School isn't easy, but seeking God's strength and trusting Him has helped me greatly this past semester of university. Even though there may be tiring classes, assignments, or exams, we can press on by applying faith, knowing that God will be there with us, every step of the way!

POETRY CORNER

BUILT AN ALTAR TO THE LORD

What was it like to walk with the Lord?
Heeding the word of warning from God.
Many had scoffed at the idea of Judgment;
They did not believe anyone would be doomed.

What was it like to be in the Ark for a year?
The rain came down from Heaven like tears!
The flood arose and the wicked were no more;
Noah and family were grateful to the deepest core.

What was it like to finally be able to leave the Ark?

The animals were released and were as happy as the lark.

What was the first thought that came to mind?

God must be praised for His grace to mankind!

Noah built an Altar to offer heartfelt worship; If God were to accept it, that would be fellowship! The LORD received the burnt offering sacrifice; Though this was humble worship, it would suffice!

> Charles Tan Inspiration: Genesis 8:20-22



ANNOUNCEMENTS



Temporary suspension of Congregational Singing

There has been a recent surge in Covid-19 in Singapore and we thank God for the government's swift intervention. As a church, we will continue to exercise vigilance and respond proactively with faith in the Lord! We will suspend Congregational Singing till further notice.

Thank you for your understanding.

Let us not lose focus in worshipping our God with a spirit of faith!



Mother's Day (9 May 2021)

We celebrate Mother's Day tomorrow. Thank God for all mothers! Let us take time to show our gratitude for them on this special day. May the Lord bless and honour them!





YWS Newsletter (1 May 2021)

We hope it has been a fruitful time of learning from the Scriptures at Youth Worship. In this issue, Ong Yanning shares with us her appreciation and application of lessons learnt about Worship.



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YWS NEXT WEEK



15 MAY 2021

Message: "A Major Misstep"

Text: Genesis 16

At times, we make wrong choices in life and missteps occur. We end up resorting to flawed human reasoning in trying to fathom God's plan!

Abram had fared well in his faith. God promised Abram that his descendants would be as innumerable as the stars. However, Sarai remained barren after a decade of dwelling in the land of Canaan. Instead of trusting in God's promises, she offered an alternative solution - Hagar, Sarai's maid, would bear a child for Abram!

What would Abram choose to do? Would he comply?

Plan to join us next week to find out more!

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