

Youth Worship



BETHANY INDEPENDENT-PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

WELCOME TO YOUTH WORSHIP!

He who has made us deserves our wholehearted worship and praise!
With every breath that God has given,
let us glorify Him in word and in deed!



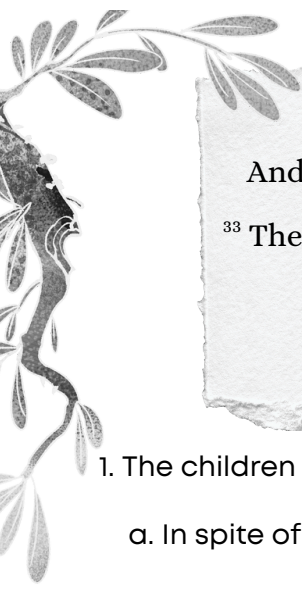
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COME AND WORSHIP

IN SPITE OF THIS THEY STILL SINNED

What does it take for us to truly learn from our failures and change our ways? A severe plague claimed the lives of many Israelites when their blatant unbelief drove them to gather the quails in greed and ingratitude, forgetting the LORD. Did the death of these people lead to a resolve to change?



³² In spite of this they still sinned,
And did not believe in His wondrous works.

³³ Therefore their days He consumed in futility,
And their years in fear.

Psalm 78:32-33

1. The children of Israel still sinned

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| a. In spite of witnessing the wrath of God | Psalm 78:32a |
| b. They did not believe in His wondrous works | Psalm 78:32b |
| i. The parting of the Red Sea | Psalm 78:13 |
| ii. Divine protection through the pillar of cloud and fire | Psalm 78:14 |
| iii. Provision of water in the wilderness | Psalm 78:15-16 |
| iv. Daily provision of manna | Psalm 78:24-25 |

2. God's judgment for their rank unbelief

- a. They would not live to see the Promised Land Numbers 14:23
- b. They would die in the wilderness Numbers 14:29
- c. They would wander in the wilderness for 40 years
until their carcasses were consumed Numbers 14:33

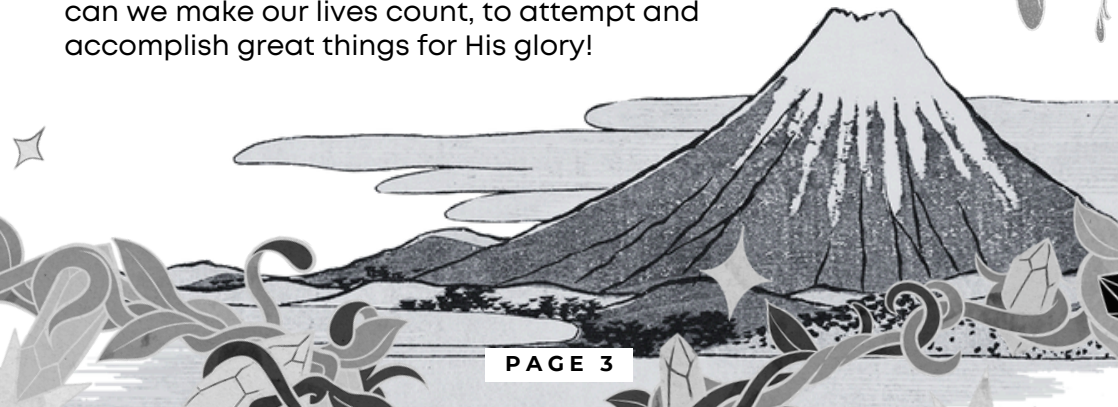
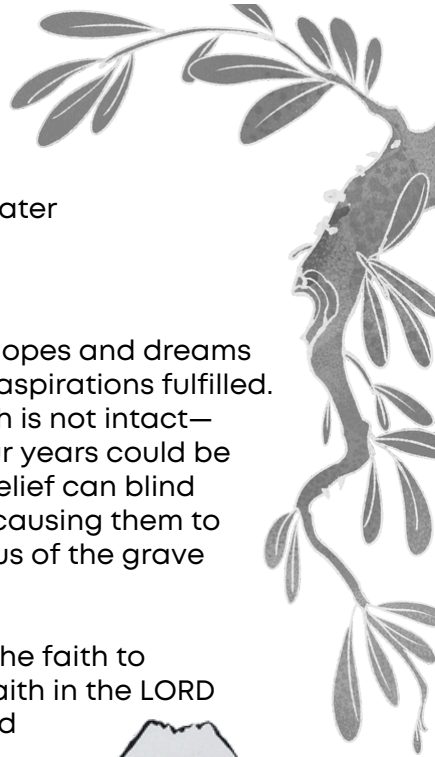
3. The 40 years in the wilderness

- a. They were futile years
- b. Their lived in fear
 - i. Anxious about potential threats
 - ii. Anxious about the lack of food and water

THEIR DAYS HE CONSUMED IN FUTILITY

All of us desire to succeed in life. We carry hopes and dreams for the future, longing to see our plans and aspirations fulfilled. But have we ever considered that if our faith is not intact—and the sin of unbelief goes unchecked—our years could be wasted and lived in vain? Deep-rooted unbelief can blind even those who have seen God's wonders, causing them to reject the LORD. The history of Israel warns us of the grave consequences that follow unbelief.

Let us humbly pray for God's mercy to find the faith to overcome unbelief. Only through a strong faith in the LORD can we make our lives count, to attempt and accomplish great things for His glory!



ORDER OF WORSHIP

YOUTH WORSHIP SERVICE

21 JUNE 2025

Prelude

Pianist: Lorraine Lai

Call to Worship

Pastor Charles Tan

Opening Prayer

Pastor Charles Tan

Song Leading

1. Only a Holy God
2. Yet Not I, but Through Christ in Me

Audrey Chia and Ong Yanning
Pianist: Lorraine Lai and
Esther Tang

Scripture Reading

Text: Numbers 20:22-29

Chloe Tang and Tessa Kang

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Jonathan Jacob

Message

“Aaron shall be gathered to his people
and die there”

Text: Numbers 20:22-29

Pastor Charles Tan

Closing Prayer

Pastor Charles Tan

Offering

Postlude

Pianist: Esther Tang

MY NOTES

21 JUNE 2025

**“AARON SHALL BE GATHERED TO
HIS PEOPLE AND DIE THERE”**

N U M B E R S 2 0 : 2 2 - 2 9

Only A Holy God


By Michael Farren, Jonny Robinson,
Dustin Smith & Rich Thompson

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven?
Who else could make ev'ry king bow down?
Who else can whisper and darkness trembles?
Only a Holy God.

What other beauty demands such praises?
What other splendour outshines the sun?
What other majesty rules with justice?
Only a Holy God.

Come and behold Him,
The One and the Only.
Cry out, sing Holy,
Forever a Holy God.
Come and worship the Holy God.

What other glory consumes like fire?
What other power can raise the dead?
What other name remains undefeated?
Only a Holy God.





Come and behold Him,
The One and the Only.
Cry out, sing Holy,
Forever a Holy God.
Come and worship the Holy God.

Who else could rescue me from my failing?
Who else would offer His only Son?
Who else invites me to call Him Father?
Only a Holy God.

Come and behold Him,
The One and the Only.
Cry out, sing Holy,
Forever a Holy God.
Come and worship the Holy God.

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YET NOT I, BUT THROUGH *Christ In Me*

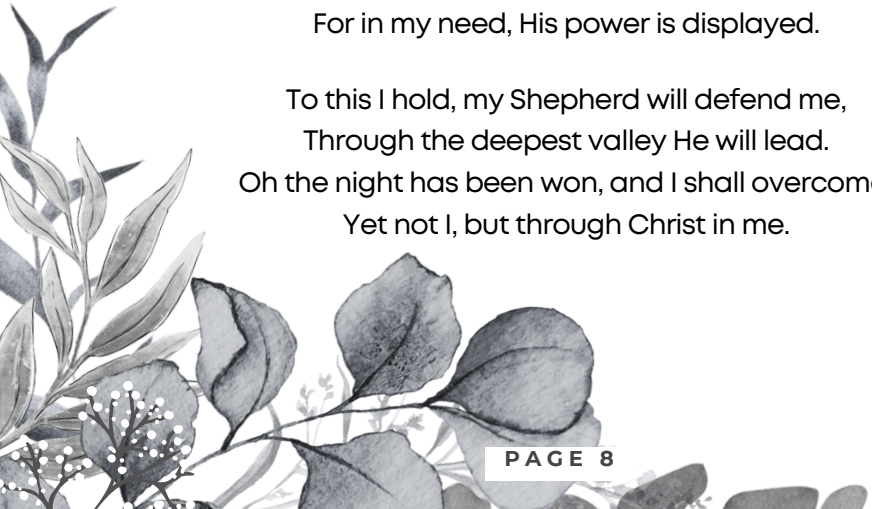
By Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson, Michael Farren


What gift of grace is Jesus my Redeemer?
There is no more for Heaven now to give.
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom,
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace.

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to His.
Oh how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

The night is dark but I am not forsaken
For by my side, the Saviour He will stay.
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need, His power is displayed.

To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me,
Through the deepest valley He will lead.
Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.





No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven.
The future sure, the price it has been paid.
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And He was raised to overthrow the grave.

To this I hold, my sin has been defeated.
Jesus now and ever is my plea.
Oh the chains are released, I can sing: I am free!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For He has said that He will bring me Home.
And day by day I know He will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne.

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus.
All the glory evermore to Him.
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat:
Yet not I, but through Christ in me!

(end)

REVIEW OF GOD'S WORD

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

YWS MESSAGE - 14 JUNE 2025

"SPEAK TO THE ROCK"

NUMBERS 20:1-13

INTRODUCTION

¹ Then the children of Israel, the whole congregation, came into the Wilderness of Zin in the first month, and the people stayed in Kadesh; and Miriam died there and was buried there.

² Now there was no water for the congregation; so they gathered together against Moses and Aaron.

³ And the people contended with Moses and spoke, saying: "If only we had died when our brethren died before the LORD!

⁴ Why have you brought up the assembly of the LORD into this wilderness, that we and our animals should die here?

⁵ And why have you made us come up out of Egypt, to bring us to this evil place? It is not a place of grain or figs or vines or pomegranates; nor is there any water to drink."

⁶ So Moses and Aaron went from the presence of the assembly to the door of the tabernacle of meeting, and they fell on their faces. And the glory of the LORD appeared to them.

⁷ Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying,

⁸ "Take the rod; you and your brother Aaron gather the congregation together. Speak to the rock before their eyes, and it will yield its water; thus you shall bring water for them out of the rock, and give drink to the congregation and their animals."

⁹ So Moses took the rod from before the LORD as He commanded him.

¹⁰ And Moses and Aaron gathered the assembly together before the rock; and he said to them, "Hear now, you rebels! Must we bring water for you out of this rock?"

¹¹ Then Moses lifted his hand and struck the rock twice with his rod; and water came out abundantly, and the congregation and their animals drank.

¹² Then the LORD spoke to Moses and Aaron, "Because you did not believe Me, to hallow Me in the eyes of the children of Israel, therefore you shall not bring this assembly into the land which I have given them."

¹³ This *was* the water of Meribah, because the children of Israel contended with the LORD, and He was hallowed among them.

Numbers 20:1-13

IN THE WILDERNESS OF ZIN

1. This Wilderness is near the Negev Desert
2. South of the Sinai Peninsula
3. Desert conditions
4. Miriam died in Kadesh Barnea
This is in the Wilderness of Zin

THE LACK OF WATER

1. Once again, acute shortage of water was experienced
2. This led to another contention (confrontation) with Moses

3. Their contention

a. Expression of exasperation

"If only we had died when our brethren died before the LORD!"
Numbers 20:3

b. Confrontational Question: "Why?"

- i. "Why have you brought up the assembly of the LORD into this wilderness, that we and our animals should die here?"
- ii. "And why have you made us come up out of Egypt, to bring us to this evil place? It *is* not a place of grain or figs or vines or pomegranates; nor *is* there any water to drink."
Numbers 20:4-5

c. Analysis:

- i. Why had Moses led them into the wilderness?
- ii. Why had they come to this evil place?

THE TYPICAL RESPONSE OF MOSES AND AARON

1. They met the angry mob
2. They fell on their faces
3. They went to the door of the Tabernacle
4. The glory of the Lord appeared to them

GOD'S WORD TO MOSES

"Take the rod; you and your brother Aaron gather the congregation together. Speak to the rock before their eyes, and it will yield its water; thus you shall bring water for them out of the rock, and give drink to the congregation and their animals."

Numbers 20:8

1. Instructions given to Moses

- a. Take the rod
- b. Bring Aaron along
- c. Gather the congregation together

2. Addressing the water-shortage problem

- a. "Speak to the rock"
- b. This was an unusual command

3. The promised results

- a. The rock will yield its water
- b. You shall bring water out of the rock
- c. The water supply would meet the needs
 - i. Of the children of Israel
 - ii. Of the animals

MOSES' MEETING WITH THE REBELS

¹⁰ And Moses and Aaron gathered the assembly together before the rock; and he said to them, "Hear now, you rebels! Must we bring water for you out of this rock?"

¹¹ Then Moses lifted his hand and struck the rock twice with his rod; and water came out abundantly, and the congregation and their animals drank.

Numbers 20:10-11

1. They gathered the children of Israel together
They gathered before "the rock"
2. Addressing the people
 - a. "Hear now, you rebels"
 - b. "Must we bring water for you out of this rock?"
3. Striking the rock
 - a. Moses struck the rock twice with his rod
 - b. Water came out abundantly
 - c. Both congregation and animals drank
4. On the surface
 - a. Moses fulfilled the desire of the children of Israel for water
 - b. But he had failed to obey the Lord explicitly
 - c. He struck the rock when he should only have spoken to it

A REBUKE FROM THE LORD

¹² Then the LORD spoke to Moses and Aaron, “Because you did not believe Me, to hallow Me in the eyes of the children of Israel, therefore you shall not bring this assembly into the land which I have given them.”

¹³ This *was* the water of Meribah, because the children of Israel contended with the LORD, and He was hallowed among them.

Numbers 20:12-13

1. The Lord's analysis of the problem

- a. Moses had failed to believe in the Lord in this instance
- b. He had failed to hallow the Lord in the eyes of the congregation

2. The consequences

- a. He will not be allowed to bring the children of Israel into Canaan
- b. A greater level of judgment was applied

3. Comment on the incident at the water of Meribah

- a. The children of Israel had contended with the Lord
- b. The Lord was hallowed among the congregation

LESSONS FOR US TO PONDER OVER

1. The danger of being angered

2. The risk of incomplete obedience

- a. The congregation at large
- b. The leaders

3. Adverse consequences can result

REFLECTIONS

YOUTH WORSHIP REFLECTIONS

By Jayden Poh




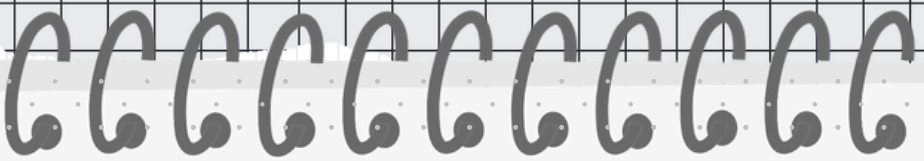
Hello everyone! Welcome back to Youth Worship!

Last week, we read from Numbers 20:1-13, where we learnt the risk of incomplete obedience from Moses' error at Kadesh. The LORD instructed Moses to speak to the rock and bring water out of it for the congregation (Numbers 20:7-8). Sadly, Moses struck the rock instead of speaking to it, not according to what the LORD had intended for him to do. (Numbers 20:10-13)

Reflecting upon my practice of faith

As I reflected upon the passage, even though I do not have a responsibility as great as Moses', I am reminded of the little struggles I face when shouldering responsibilities in serving the LORD. Moses did not believe the LORD when he was instructed to speak to the rock before the congregation. Instead, he struck the rock with his rod. Though the result was good for the people, as water came out from the rock, Moses did not heed the LORD's instruction, and it was because of unbelief.

The problem of unbelief is not foreign to me, as there were times when I found it difficult to trust and believe amidst doubts and adversities. There were days when assignments would pile




up no matter how hard I tried to complete them before the weekend. Worries and doubts would surface as tightly strung deadlines had to be met. Because of this, I found my faith flickering as I felt unable to give time to serve during the weekend. Because of this there were occasions when I could not serve, and others had to be called in to take my place.

The more I reflected, the more concerned I was to re-examine my faith. I realised I struggled to believe in the Lord when prioritising Him above all other commitments. Because of this, it was difficult to find the strength to overcome doubts and adversities.

Through this lesson, I am reminded of the importance of faith in the LORD amidst difficulties and the need to overcome my struggles with faith. No matter how much doubt or how challenging the circumstances may be, I know that it is through faith in the LORD that would help me find the strength to serve Him the best I can!

My challenge



Upon writing this, my challenge to myself is to live by faith and not by sight. (2 Corinthians 5:7) This lesson has brought a new sense of awareness of the importance of faith. Though there may be times when we feel overwhelmed by school work or feel doubtful in uncertainties or adversities, we need not be overwhelmed. Instead, we must find faith and trust in the LORD wherever we are!

May we find a deeper faith and trust as we enter into a time of worship!

THERE AROSE A NEW KING

Changes in Egyptian dynasties were not uncommon;
Different people would arise and vie for the throne.
There arose a new king who became the new Pharaoh;
He did not acknowledge Joseph and Egypt's famine-sorrow.

He viewed the children of Israel with hostile eyes;
That he was plotting evil things was no surprise.
He wanted to guard his throne at all cost;
If Israel sided with enemies all would be lost!

The new king looked at ways and means to control Israel;
He put them to do hard labour, for his heart was clearly evil.
He needed them as his slaves for his building programs;
But he was designing many cruel and deadly plans.

He was determined to control Israel in every way;
He set up task masters who hurt the slaves every day,
As Pharaoh, he sought to defend his throne with all his might;
He became more despotic as he abused basic human rights.

Charles Tan
Inspiration: Exodus 1:8-14



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Celebrating **BETHANY'S 50+2 ANNIVERSARY**

Theme: "From glory to glory"

The LORD has bestowed bountiful blessings upon our beloved Church! May we unite our hearts to offer grateful worship as we celebrate our Anniversary, and may our faith be renewed to seek His leading earnestly!

Date: 24 August 2025

Venue: Shangri La

Time: 10.30am (Worship)
12.00nn (Fellowship Lunch)

Main Lunch Programme:

Scan the QR code to book your seat today:





28 JUNE 2025

Message: "Make a fiery serpent"

Text: Numbers 21:1-9

One moment, Israel could exercise faith in the LORD to defeat King Arad the Canaanite. In another moment, their faith wavered in the wilderness, and their souls grew weary and deeply discouraged. Their spirit of complaining took the reins and they began to test the Lord once again. This time, God sent fiery and frightening serpents to chastise them.

Yet, God's mercy could be found in the midst of His chastisement. Moses was instructed to make a fiery serpent and lift it up on a pole. Whoever confesses their sin and looks upon it in faith would be forgiven and delivered from the lethal bite of the serpents.



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