

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!

Precious is the time we can gather to worship the LORD together. May the LORD open our eyes to behold the wondrous things in His Word! Let us be challenged to delight in the Word of God.



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COME AND WORSHIP

Blessed is the man **Who Fears The LORD**

Many forsake God and His commandments, choosing instead to direct their lives according to their hearts' wicked desires. Psalm 112 offers a strong encouragement to pursue God's command to fear Him and keep His Word.

The Psalmist was filled with praise as he proclaimed his observations of those who fear the LORD and delight in His commandments. Their character is wonderfully shaped by God, and their conduct gloriously reflects His righteous ways. They are truly blessed!



¹ Praise the LORD!

*Blessed is the man who fears the LORD,
Who delights greatly in His commandments.*

² His descendants will be mighty on earth;
The generation of the upright will be blessed.

PSALM 112:1-2

1. Blessed is the man

a. Who fears the LORD

Psalm 112:1a

b. Who delights greatly in His commandments

Psalm 112:1b

i. This involves a good understanding of God's commandments

ii. It also entails the keeping of His Word

iii. Great joy and delight are found in them!

c. The fear of the LORD leads us to regard God
and keep His commandments

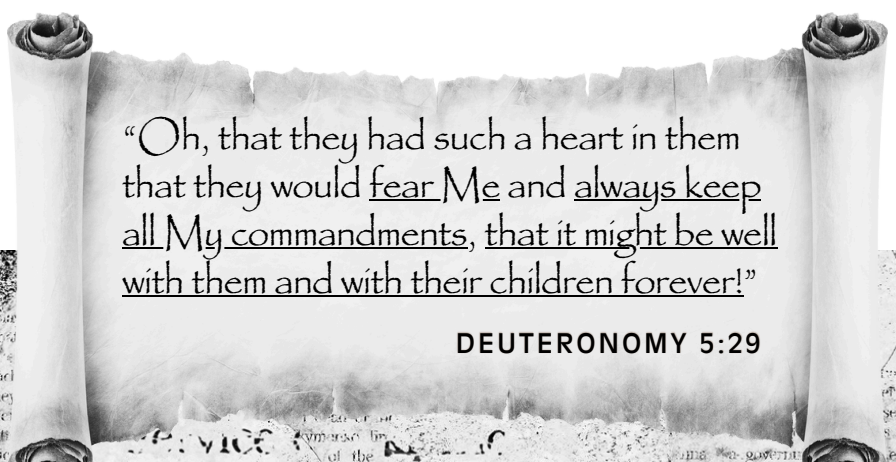
Psalm 111:10

2. The magnitude of God's blessings on the upright
 - a. The righteous will experience God's blessings in their lives
 - b. God's mercy will also extend to their descendants

OUR CHALLENGE

1. What is our Attitude towards God's commandments?
 - a. They are not restrictive or tedious to know and keep
 - b. There is great joy and delight to be found in them
 - c. They wonderfully impact our character and conduct
 - d. Praise will arise as we understand God's plan of blessing for those who delight in them
2. How should we Approach God and His commandments?
 - a. Cultivate a heart that fears the LORD
 - b. Be desirous to understand His Word
 - c. Be diligent to do His commandments!

May we come to experience the blessedness of those who fear the LORD! May we partake of the joy and delight of having God's Word dwell richly in our lives!



“Oh, that they had such a heart in them that they would fear Me and always keep all My commandments, that it might be well with them and with their children forever!”

DEUTERONOMY 5:29

ORDER OF WORSHIP

YOUTH WORSHIP SERVICE

18 OCTOBER 2025

Prelude

Pianist: Gabrielle Wan

Call to Worship

Pastor Charles Tan

Opening Prayer

Pastor Charles Tan

Song Leading

1. Still, My Soul Be Still
2. Whom Shall I Fear?

Audrey Chia and Janelle Tan
Pianists: Esther Tang and
Gabrielle Wan

Scripture Reading

Text: Deuteronomy 3:1-11, 18-22

Tessa Kang and Laura Chan

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Eugene Seow

Message

“The LORD your God Himself fights for you”
Text: Deuteronomy 3

Pastor Charles Tan

Closing Prayer

Pastor Charles Tan

Offering

Postlude

Pianist: Esther Tang

MY NOTES

18 OCTOBER 2025

**“THE LORD YOUR GOD HIMSELF
FIGHTS FOR YOU”**

DEUTERONOMY 3

WORSHIP SONGS

Still, My Soul Be Still

By Stuart Townend , Keith Getty & Kristyn Getty

Still, my soul, be still, and do not fear
Though winds of change may rage tomorrow.
God is at your side; no longer dread
The fires of unexpected sorrow.

Chorus:

God, You are my God,
And I will trust in You and not be shaken.
Lord of peace, renew a steadfast spirit within me
To rest in You alone.

Still, my soul, be still, do not be moved
By lesser lights and fleeting shadows.
Hold onto His ways, with shield of faith
Against temptation's flaming arrows.

Chorus

Still, my soul, be still, do not forsake
The truth you learned in the beginning.
Wait upon the Lord and hope will rise
As stars appear when day is dimming.

Chorus

(end)

Whom Shall I Fear?

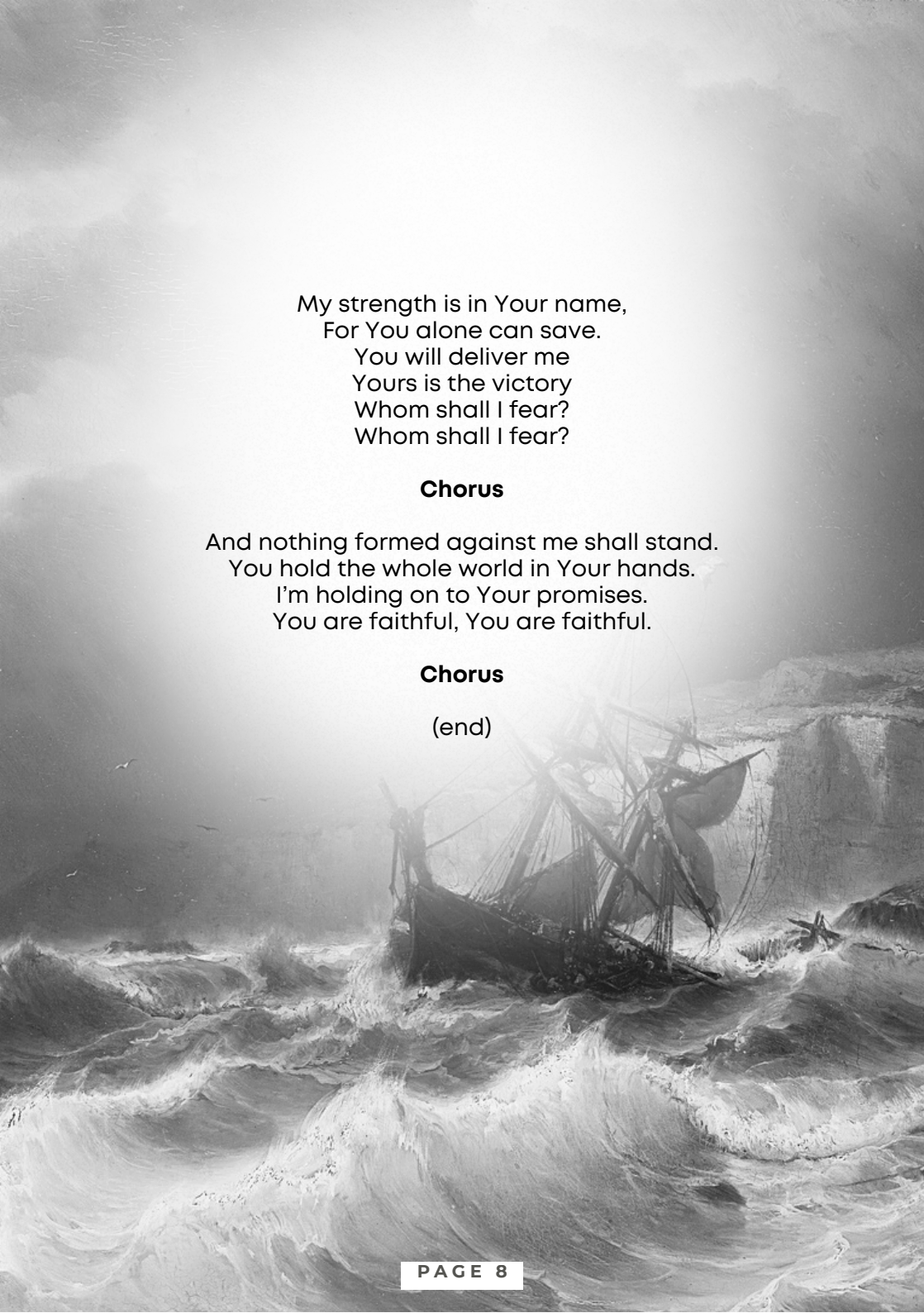
By Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash & Scott Cash

You hear me when I call,
You are my morning song.
Though darkness fills the night,
It cannot hide the light.
Whom shall I fear?

You crush the enemy
Underneath my feet
You are my sword and shield
Though troubles linger still
Whom shall I fear?

Chorus:

I know Who goes before me,
I know Who stands behind:
The God of angel armies
Is always by my side.
The One who reigns forever,
He is a friend of mine.
The God of angel armies
Is always by my side.



My strength is in Your name,
For You alone can save.
You will deliver me
Yours is the victory
Whom shall I fear?
Whom shall I fear?

Chorus

And nothing formed against me shall stand.
You hold the whole world in Your hands.
I'm holding on to Your promises.
You are faithful, You are faithful.

Chorus

(end)

REVIEW OF GOD'S WORD

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

YWS MESSAGE - 27 SEPTEMBER 2025

“THE LORD GOD HAS BLESSED YOU”

DEUTERONOMY 2

INTRODUCTION

1. The book of Deuteronomy

- a. Moses' final collection of messages for the Israelites
- b. Addressed to a new generation of Israelites after 40 years in the wilderness
- c. Given before they made their way into the Promised Land

2. Deuteronomy 2 – Moses' summary of their journey to the Promised Land

- a. After they had skirted Mount Seir for many days (years)
- b. God instructed Israel to turn northward, towards the Promised Land
- c. They had to pass through a few nations to get to the Promised Land

3. What were the lessons God wanted them to learn as they made their journey?

CONSCIOUSNESS OF GOD'S BLESSINGS

"For the LORD your God has blessed you in all the work of your hand. He knows your trudging through this great wilderness. These forty years the LORD your God has been with you; you have lacked nothing."

Deuteronomy 2:7

1. The Lord's provision for Israel
 - a. He has blessed them in all the work of their hands
 - b. They had lacked nothing these 40 years!
 - i. Food (Manna, quail)
 - ii. Water
 - iii. Garments
2. The Lord's presence with Israel
 - a. He knew their goings through the great wilderness
 - b. These forty years He has been with them!
 - i. Cloud by day
 - ii. Fire by night
3. Israel needed to be conscious of God's blessings
 - a. To remember all that the Lord has done for them
 - b. To bear them in mind consistently



CONTENTMENT WITH GOD'S BLESSINGS

And command the people, saying, "You are about to pass through the territory of your brethren, the descendants of Esau, who live in Seir; and they will be afraid of you. Therefore watch yourselves carefully. Do not meddle with them, for I will not give you any of their land, no, not so much as one footstep, because I have given Mount Seir to Esau as a possession.

Deuteronomy 2:4-5


Then the LORD said to me, 'Do not harass Moab, nor contend with them in battle, for I will not give you any of their land as a possession, because I have given Ar to the descendants of Lot as a possession.'

Deuteronomy 2:9

That the LORD spoke to me, saying: 'This day you are to cross over at Ar, the boundary of Moab. And when you come near the people of Ammon, do not harass them or meddle with them, for I will not give you any of the land of the people of Ammon as a possession, because I have given it to the descendants of Lot as a possession.'

Deuteronomy 2:17-19

1. Israel would have to pass through three nations related to them
 - a. Edomites
 - b. Moabites
 - c. Ammonites



2. God's instructions for them

- a. Not to meddle with them
- b. Not to harass them
- c. Not to contend with them in battle

3. Reason

- a. God had given them their lands as a possession
- b. Israel had to refrain from taking them for themselves

4. The deeper lesson for Israel to learn

- a. They needed to be contented with God's blessings for them
 - i. The provision that God has given to them these 40 years
 - ii. The Promised Land which God has prepared for them to possess
- b. They are not to covet the possessions of these nations!

COMMITMENT TO FULFIL GOD'S WORD

'Rise, take your journey, and cross over the River Arnon. Look, I have given into your hand Sihon the Amorite, king of Heshbon, and his land. Begin to possess it, and engage him in battle. This day I will begin to put the dread and fear of you upon the nations under the whole heaven, who shall hear the report of you, and shall tremble and be in anguish because of you.'

Deuteronomy 2:24-25



1. The Amorites

- a. Ruled by Sihon, king of Heshbon
- b. They had struck fear in the first generation of Israelites
cf. Deuteronomy 1:26-28
- c. They came out against Israel and chased them back from Seir to Hormah
cf. Deuteronomy 1:44

2. God's command to Israel concerning the Amorites

- a. He had given the Amorites into the hands of Israel
- b. Israel was to engage Sihon in battle and possess the land of Heshbon
- c. God would put the dread and fear of Israel upon the other nations when they hear of Israel's victory over the Amorites!

3. Israel's part - to be committed to fulfil God's command


- a. Not to be afraid of engaging the Amorites
- b. To find courage to fight them

4. The result

- a. Israel defeated Sihon, his sons, and all his people
(Deuteronomy 2:31-33)
- b. They took all their cities and utterly destroyed everyone
(Deuteronomy 2:34)
- c. But they took care not to go into the land of Ammon, as God had forbidden (Deuteronomy 2:37)



LESSONS FOR US TO LEARN

1. To be conscious of God's blessings
 - a. God has blessed us most wonderfully
 - i. As individuals
 - ii. As a church
 - b. We must remember all His blessings and not forget!
 2. To be contented with God's blessings
 - a. Not to covet what others have
 - b. Not to seek more for ourselves
 3. To be committed to fulfil God's word
 - a. To overcome our fears
 - b. To find courage to obey
 4. May we seek to practise these lessons in our lives and live well for the Lord!
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REFLECTIONS

YOUTH WORSHIP REFLECTIONS

Esther Tang

Hello everyone! At our last Youth Worship, we read from Deuteronomy 2, which provided us with Moses' summary of their journey to the Promised Land. During their long journey, the LORD taught them valuable lessons, especially with regard to the blessings which He gave to them.

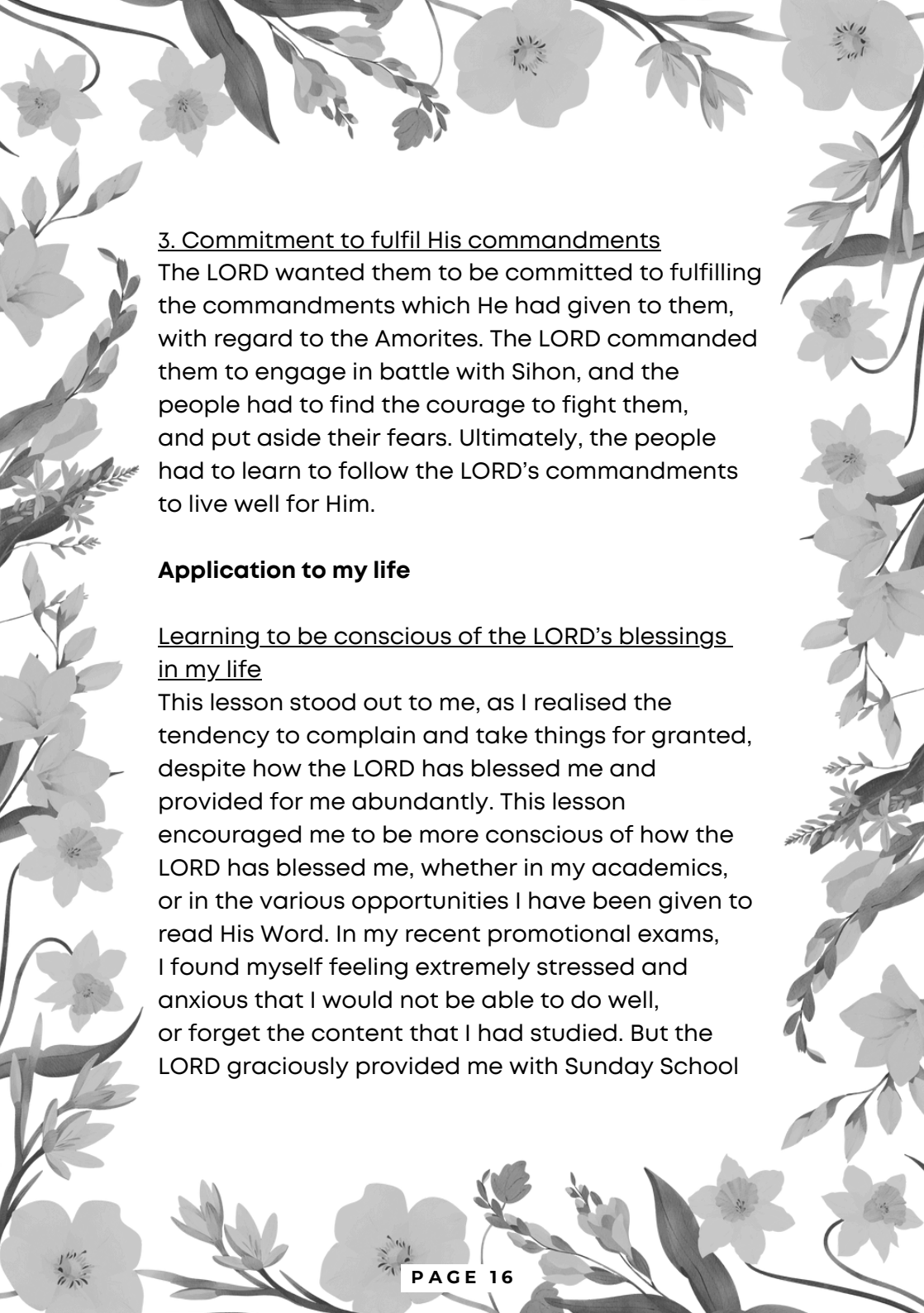
Lessons for the people to learn

1. Consciousness of God's blessings

The LORD wanted them to be conscious of the blessings which He had poured upon them, in how they lacked nothing while in the wilderness. He provided abundantly, giving them food, water and garments, while also providing them with guidance, in the form of the cloud by day and fire by night.

2. Content with God's blessings

The LORD also wanted to teach them to be content with the blessings He gave, and not covet the possessions of the other nations which they had to pass through.



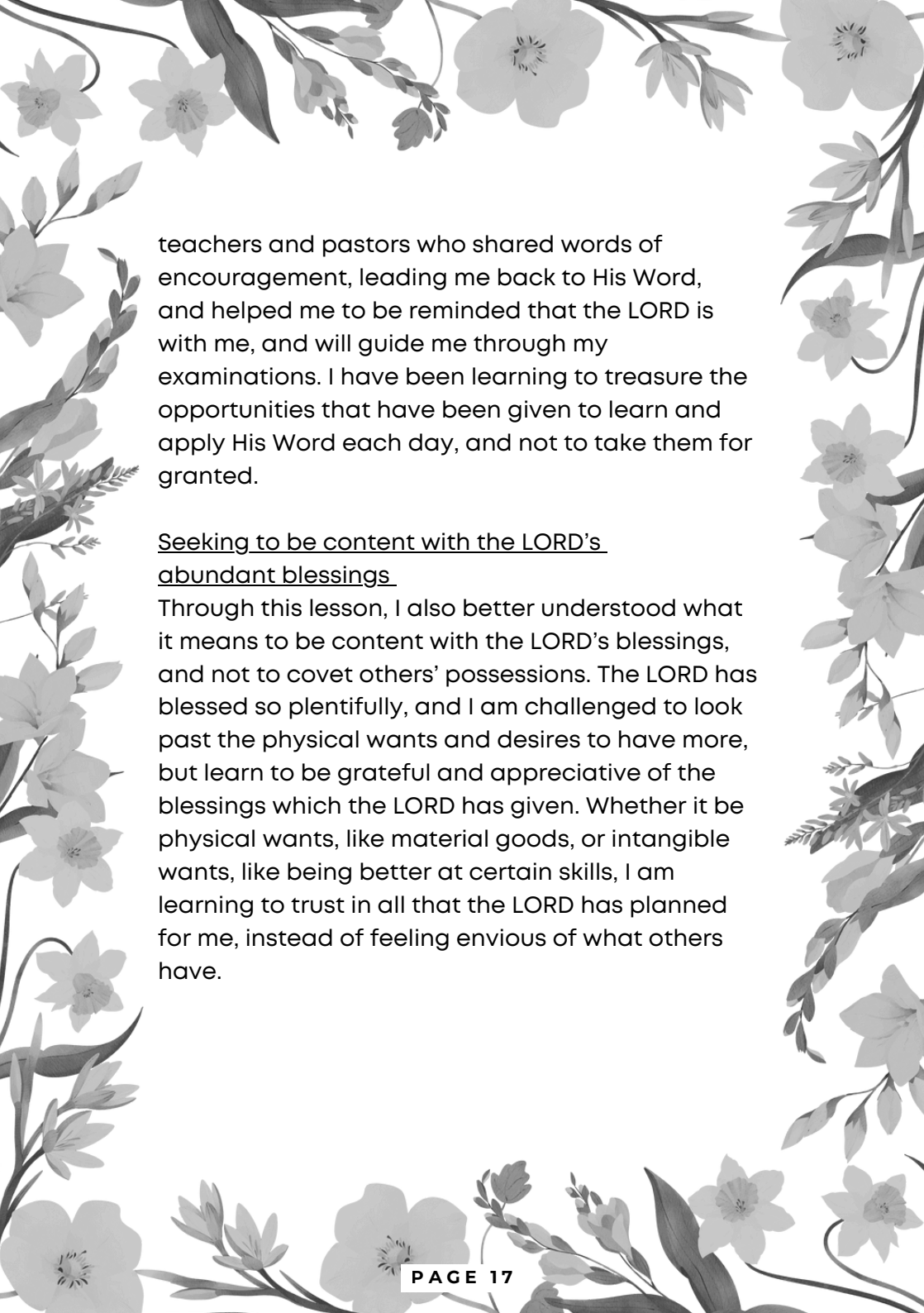
3. Commitment to fulfil His commandments

The LORD wanted them to be committed to fulfilling the commandments which He had given to them, with regard to the Amorites. The LORD commanded them to engage in battle with Sihon, and the people had to find the courage to fight them, and put aside their fears. Ultimately, the people had to learn to follow the LORD's commandments to live well for Him.

Application to my life

Learning to be conscious of the LORD's blessings in my life

This lesson stood out to me, as I realised the tendency to complain and take things for granted, despite how the LORD has blessed me and provided for me abundantly. This lesson encouraged me to be more conscious of how the LORD has blessed me, whether in my academics, or in the various opportunities I have been given to read His Word. In my recent promotional exams, I found myself feeling extremely stressed and anxious that I would not be able to do well, or forget the content that I had studied. But the LORD graciously provided me with Sunday School



teachers and pastors who shared words of encouragement, leading me back to His Word, and helped me to be reminded that the LORD is with me, and will guide me through my examinations. I have been learning to treasure the opportunities that have been given to learn and apply His Word each day, and not to take them for granted.

Seeking to be content with the LORD's abundant blessings

Through this lesson, I also better understood what it means to be content with the LORD's blessings, and not to covet others' possessions. The LORD has blessed so plentifully, and I am challenged to look past the physical wants and desires to have more, but learn to be grateful and appreciative of the blessings which the LORD has given. Whether it be physical wants, like material goods, or intangible wants, like being better at certain skills, I am learning to trust in all that the LORD has planned for me, instead of feeling envious of what others have.



Striving to fulfil the LORD's commandments

After learning this lesson, I better understand that the LORD has a wonderful plan for each and every one of us, but it would require that we fulfil His commandments. This makes me challenged to be wholly committed to fulfilling the LORD's Word, even as I continue along in Junior College, and as I face more challenges in my school life. I want to learn to be salt and light even amidst the temptations that I may face, and seek to live in a way that would be pleasing to the LORD. Even as I head towards the end of my first year in Junior College, I realise how many temptations there are, that could greatly affect my journey of faith. They may come in the form of friends trying to convince me to skip church and hang out with them, or even in trying to get me to disobey my parents through staying out late. Even though temptations are prevalent and probably would not disappear in my next year of Junior College, I am challenged to remain steadfast in His Word and in growing in my faith. This may come in the form of putting time spent with the LORD first, whether in quiet time or making going to church be my "non-negotiables". It may not be easy with my increasingly busier schedule, but I want to put the LORD first no matter what, so that I can learn to draw nearer to the LORD and deepen my relationship with Him.

YOUTH WORSHIP REFLECTIONS

Jovan Wong

At the last Youth Worship, Pastor Eugene taught from the book of Deuteronomy, and I was reminded of how God is a Faithful God. The journey through the wilderness was not easy for Israel, for it was dry, long, and often discouraging. Yet recorded in Deuteronomy 2:7, Moses reminded them, “For the LORD your God has blessed you in all the work of your hand. He knows your trudging through this great wilderness. These forty years the LORD your God has been with you; you have lacked nothing.”

God was not absent in their wandering and He was actively providing for and protecting them. For forty years, they lacked nothing. His presence was visible in the pillar of cloud by day and the fire by night. Similarly, God has been with us too, all this while, though we often take for granted what He has done for us. Whenever I look back and reflect on past seasons of my life, I never fail to recognise that God has been with me through it all. The very fact that I have a church like Bethany to go to every weekend is proof of the Lord’s blessing in my life.

One of my favourite hymns is “And Can It Be, That I Should Gain?” This hymn echoes my sentiments so well, “Amazing love! How can it be, that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me!” How can it be that God would still love me no matter how many times I fail Him? How can it be that I get to have a church like Bethany? Truly, His love is amazing.

This same faithful God who was with the Israelites for forty years in the wilderness is our God today.

What then shall we do in response to His blessings? We can follow the example of the Israelites when they obeyed God’s command to battle the Amorites. They did not let fear overcome them but were committed to do what the Lord told them to do.

Sometimes, following the Lord is not easy. We are hindered by our own sinful nature, by the ways of the world, and by the things we think we must “sacrifice” to follow Him. But when we consider what God has done for us – how can we not want to follow Him? For me, this is what continues to drive me to serve and live for the Lord. Whenever I am discouraged by the world, I look to the cross and am reminded of His amazing love for me.

Let us therefore be conscious of the Lord’s blessings and be committed to follow through with what He has commanded us to do!

I WILL SEND YOU TO PHARAOH

God had spoken to Moses most candidly;
He expressed concern for Israel's safety.
The Pharaoh had enslaved the whole nation;
Israel was under repression and subjugation.

The Lord then revealed to Moses His plan;
He would send Moses to be His right-hand man.
God would redeem Israel from severe bondage;
His people had suffered distress and heartache.

The very name of Pharaoh struck fear in many hearts;
Moses was in exile for forty years and it had been hard.
Yet, here the Lord was saying to Moses he was being sent;
Moses was stumped and he could not but express dissent!

How could an eighty-year old man attempt such a task?
In how many people could Moses have put his trust?
The Lord's plan seemed an impossible one to Moses;
Yet, he knew that the Lord never speaks without purpose!

Charles Tan

Inspiration: Exodus 3:9-10



ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOUTH CONFERENCE 2025: "Reconciled to God"

2 Corinthians 5:20

The much anticipated Youth Conference is around the corner! As we learn about being reconciled to God, may we appreciate our salvation so much more, and may it inspire us to live for Him in every aspect of our lives.

Details

Dates: 1-4 Dec 2025 (Monday - Thursday)

Venue: Bethany IPC

Time: 9.00am to 5.00pm daily

Age

Open to youths aged 13 and above.

Fellowship Lunch

Lunch will be provided every day. It would be an opportunity for us to relate to and fellowship with one another.

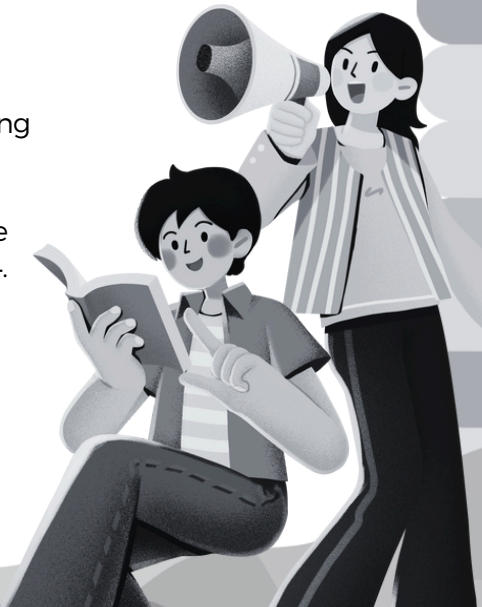
Fees

\$25.00

Do sign up early to assist in the planning of the programme.

If there are any queries, please feel free to contact Joshua Phang at 8028 6194.

You can register online by scanning the QR Code:



NEXT YWS



25 OCT 2025

“This is your wisdom and your understanding”

Text: Deuteronomy 4-5

God had a greater purpose for Israel than merely to possess the Promised Land. He chose Israel to be great and outstanding, bearing witness of Him among the nations. The people would stand out as wise and understanding above all others if they diligently observed God’s Word with hearts that had learned to fear Him.



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