

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!

Let us enter into a time of worship with hearts full of gratitude, remembering all that the LORD has done for us. May the LORD draw us near to Him, and help us to appreciate the splendour of His truth!



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COME AND WORSHIP

But to Your Name Give Glory

It has always been God's plan to bless His people and crown Israel with glory. Yet, the nation must remember its humble beginnings, and recognise that all that they have become is the result of God's mercy.

¹ Not unto us, O LORD, not unto us,
But to Your name give glory,
Because of Your mercy,
Because of Your truth.

² Why should the Gentiles say,
"So where *is* their God?"

PSALM 115:1-2

1. Renounce human glory

Psalms 115:1a

- a. There's an innate human desire to bask in glory
- b. Israel must refuse to boast in themselves

2. All glory redound to God

Psalms 115:1b

a. Examples of Israel's glory

i. They conquered greater and mightier nations in the Promised Land

ii. The nation rose to glory under King David's reign

b. Israel enjoyed these blessings only because of the LORD God



c. Because of His mercy

Psalm 115:1c

i. Israel was redeemed from the house of bondage in Egypt

ii. God kept His covenant and forgave the people when they sinned and rebelled against Him

d. Because of His truth

Psalm 115:1d

i. Israel was given a set of good and righteous Laws

ii. By abiding in God's commandments, Israel would be blessed

3. A Resolute faith

a. Others may taunt Israel's faith in God Psalm 115:2

b. Israel must remain steadfast in their confidence in the LORD

REMEMBER THE LORD YOUR GOD

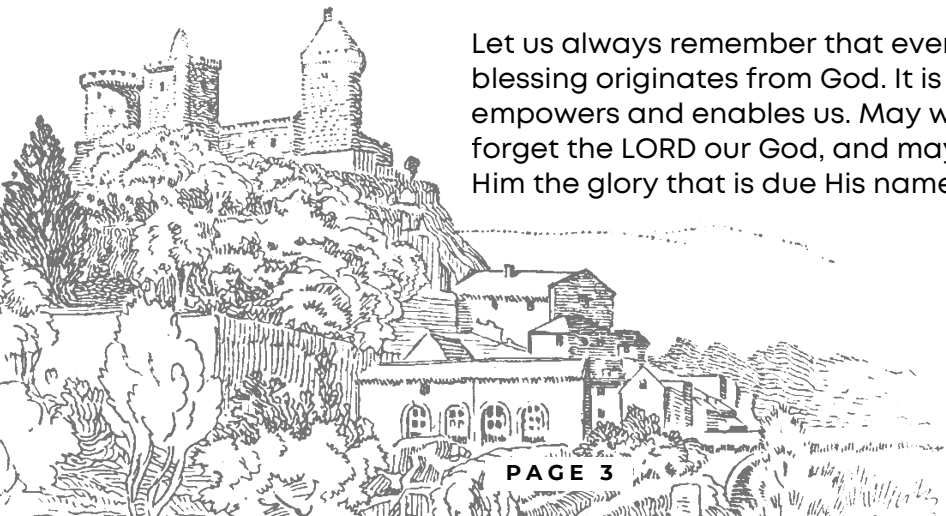
Israel's history serves as a cautionary tale, reminding us not to forget the LORD our God when we are abundantly blessed.

May we heed the words Moses spoke to the people of Israel:

“And you shall remember the LORD your God, for *it is* He who gives you power to get wealth, that He may establish His covenant which He swore to your fathers, as *it is* this day.

Deuteronomy 8:18

Let us always remember that every blessing originates from God. It is He who empowers and enables us. May we never forget the LORD our God, and may we give Him the glory that is due His name!



ORDER OF WORSHIP

YOUTH WORSHIP SERVICE

15 NOVEMBER 2025

Prelude

Pianist: Rayne Quek

Call to Worship

Pastor Mitchell Tan

Opening Prayer

Pastor Mitchell Tan

Song Leading

1. Rejoice
2. The Power of Your Love

Gabriel Ou and Gabrielle Wan
Pianists: Lorraine Lai and
Rayne Quek
Cajonist: Rayne Quek

Scripture Reading

Text: Deuteronomy 8:1-6

Laura Chan and Chloe Tang

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Mark Tan

Message

“Man shall not live by bread alone”

Text: Deuteronomy 8

Pastor Mitchell Tan

Closing Prayer

Pastor Mitchell Tan

Offering

Postlude

Pianist: Lorraine Lai

MY NOTES

15 NOVEMBER 2025

“MAN SHALL NOT LIVE BY BREAD ALONE”

DEUTERONOMY 8

WORSHIP SONGS

Rejoice

By Keith & Kristyn Getty


Rejoice in the Lord, now and always;
Sing it again, we rejoice.
Delight in the love He has shown us,
Gratefully lift up your voice.

His gentleness among us
Will join our hearts with praise.
We gather in His goodness;
A family of grace.

Chorus:

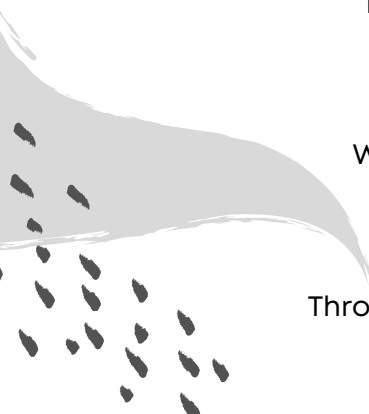
With each breath He's given,
Praise the Lord!
In these times we live in,
We will praise the Lord!
Throughout every season, I am sure
We have every reason
To praise the Lord.

Rejoice and be anxious for nothing,
Praying for all that you need.
Come with a song of thanksgiving;
Lay your requests at His feet.



His peace will fall upon us
To guard our hearts and minds.
In Christ who reigns eternal
The Shepherd of our lives.

Chorus:



With each breath He's given,
Praise the Lord!
In these times we live in,
We will praise the Lord!
Throughout every season, I am sure
We have every reason
To praise the Lord.

Rejoice in the Lord now and always;
Tell of the good He has done.
Worship the Lord to remember
All of the joy yet to come.

The hope that burns within us
The dark cannot destroy.
With praise that's never ending,
We say again, "Rejoice!"

Chorus:

With each breath He's given,
Praise the Lord!
In these times we live in,
We will praise the Lord!
Throughout every season, I am sure
We have every reason
To praise the Lord.
We have every reason
To praise the Lord.

(end)



The Power of Your Love

By Geoff Bullock

Lord, I come to you.
Let my heart be changed, renewed,
Flowing from the grace that I found in You.
And Lord I've come to know
The weaknesses I see in me,
Will be stripped away
By the power of Your love.

Chorus:

Hold me close, let Your love surround me.
Bring me near, draw me to Your side;
And as I wait I'll rise up like the eagle,
And I will soar with You,
Your Spirit leads me on
In the power of Your love.

Lord, unveil my eyes,
Let me see you face to face,
The knowledge of Your love,
As You live in me.
Lord, renew my mind.
As Your will unfolds in my life,
In living ev'ry day
In the power of Your love.

Chorus

(end)

REVIEW OF GOD'S WORD

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

YWS MESSAGE - 8 NOVEMBER 2025

“YOU ARE A HOLY PEOPLE TO THE LORD”

DEUTERONOMY 7

INTRODUCTION

1. The pronouncement to be holy had been made before
(Exodus 19:6; Leviticus 19:2)
2. Why it was necessary to repeat such a pronouncement in Deuteronomy 7
 - a. To reiterate what had been taught before
(This was the essence of this book)
 - b. The very real danger of forgetting
 - c. To reinforce this truth to a new generation
3. Full obedience is one way to be a holy people to the LORD our God

ADDRESSING THE THINGS THAT PREVENT OBEDIENCE (Deuteronomy 7:1-5, 16-26)

1. Moses warned about the influence which could prevent them from obeying God's command
 - a. Commands had been given to prevent them from being influenced

- b. How the external influence from these nations could begin
 - i. Making a covenant (a treaty or an agreement) with them
 - ii. Showing them mercy
 - iii. The union of marriage
 - c. Terrible consequences if the nation of Israel was to be influenced badly
2. A warning about the internal struggle which could stop them from obeying God's command
- a. God's clear commands were reiterated by Moses once again
 - b. Moses knew of the people's struggle with fear
 - c. He encouraged them
 - i. He encouraged them to remember God and His deeds
 - ii. He encouraged them to believe in what God shall do for them
 - iii. He encouraged them that God was among them

AN UPLIFTING WORD CONCERNING THOSE HOLY TO GOD (Deuteronomy 7:6-11)

- 1. Features of a people who were holy to the LORD their God
 - a. They were graciously declared to be holy
 - b. They were chosen
 - c. They were loved by God
- 2. Those declared to be holy needed to respond by practising holiness
 - a. Know the LORD their God
 - b. Keep and observe what had been commanded that day

RELEVANT LESSONS WE CAN TAKE AWAY

1. Let us know, in Christ, we too are holy to our God (1 Peter 2:9-10)
2. Equipped with this knowledge, let us make every effort to practise holiness in our lives
 - a. Deepen our knowledge of God
 - b. Obey His words
3. Let us also find grace from God to obey God's word
 - a. Deal with the negative influences in our lives
 - b. Battle the fears that stop us from obeying God's word

REFLECTIONS

YOUTH WORSHIP REFLECTIONS

Joel Tan

“For you are a holy people to the LORD”

We are all in need of a reminder from time to time.

Last week’s message from Deuteronomy 7 led me to consider what it means to be a “holy people to the LORD”.

The people of Israel held this identity and stood before God as He declared them so. They were chosen to be “a people for Himself” and “a special treasure above all the people on the face of the earth.” Similarly, the Apostle Peter also described that in the Lord Jesus Christ, we too are “a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people.” (1 Peter 2:9) As I pondered this truth, I am reminded that I too, share this wonderful standing before the LORD.

Reminder: Once in the bondage of sin

In appreciating this truth better, I can’t help but be reminded of who I was before knowing the LORD. Moses spared no effort to point out Israel’s past of being held captive in “the house of bondage” and under “the hand of Pharaoh”. In the same vein, I was once a slave to sin, trapped in darkness, “not a people” of God and “had not obtained mercy”. I was dead in my trespasses, walked according to the course of this world and was separated from God. Blinded by darkness, I had no agency of my own to break free from the reins of sin and death. To think that I could be redeemed from such dire straits to become part of God’s own people, was a special reminder and encouragement to my heart.




Reminder: The Love of God

The One who made this possible is none other than the LORD Himself. He was the One who brought the people of Israel out of bondage with a mighty hand. He was the One who redeemed them and chose them to be His special people. He did this out of His great love. Despite Israel being the “least of all peoples”, He made them to be the object of His love and He expressed it in keeping the oath of giving them the Promised Land. I am reminded all over again that it is with this love that the LORD chose me to be among His people. He has shown me mercy in calling me out of darkness into His marvellous light and made me alive together with the Lord Jesus Christ, so that I may sit together in the heavenly places with Him (Ephesians 2:5-6). It is only through His immense love that I can stand redeemed and holy before Him - a Holy God.

Response: Living out my standing before God

As a recipient of His salvation and love, my heart is challenged to live out this precious standing that I have been given by practising holiness in my life and removing the things which prevent me from doing so. The LORD commands me to be holy, therefore I want to do so by first deepening my knowledge of Him who is fully and innately holy, that I may know what holiness is and to practise it. This also means obeying His Word, therefore I seek to examine my life and deal with the sins, fears and influences that will ensnare me and hinder my obedience to God. Encompassing all these is to constantly hide this truth in my heart and to proclaim the praises of His wondrous love shown to me!



Vera Kang



“You are a holy people to the LORD your God”

Last week at Youth Worship, we learned how God reminded the new generation of Israelites that they were a holy people to Him. As a holy nation, they were to fully obey the commandments that God had given.

Problems that hinder our obedience to the Lord

However, the Lord also addressed problems that would prevent the children of Israel from obeying His commandments. Externally, there was the influence of other nations which threatened to turn the children of Israel away from God. Internally, the children of Israel grappled with fear and discouragement.

Like the Israelites, I sometimes struggle to fully obey God’s commandments. For instance, the first commandment is: “You shall have no other gods before me” (Deuteronomy 5:6). While I know and believe that God is the one true God, I recognise that the problem of having “idols of the heart” is something I must guard against. One such “idol”

is that of academic achievements or my studies. While it is not at all wrong to study hard, the danger is being consumed by my work such that the Lord no longer takes first place in my life. This is especially so during stressful seasons, when few of my thoughts are spiritual and all I can think about is the next task to be done. The influence of my peers in school could also hinder me from giving the Lord first place in my life. This is because there is often an unspoken pressure of how many hours should be spent on studying or other kinds of achievements you must obtain.

What it means to be a holy people to the Lord

The Israelites were declared holy by the Lord—it was not by their own effort! To be holy people to the Lord is to be chosen as His special people. It also means that the Lord had set His love upon them and demonstrated that love by delivering them from their bondage in Egypt (Deuteronomy 7:7-8).

This lesson gave me a renewed appreciation for the Lord's love. It was out of His love that He has chosen us and set His love upon us. This is independent of who we are and the weaknesses we may have! This love has also been demonstrated to us when Christ died

for us while we were still in the bondage of sin. In response, I am challenged to practise holiness by fully obeying His Word. To do so, I know that I need to firstly know His Word so much better and hide it in my heart. It is only by doing so that I may obey what the Lord has commanded!

While there may be problems that hinder us from obeying the Lord, we can seek His grace to help us fully obey. Practically, I seek to be wary of the things that hinder me from obeying the Lord.

To deal with the problem of failing to give the Lord first place in my life, I am learning to set my mind on spiritual things by dwelling on His Word at different points of the day.

I was reminded of Psalm 91:14 which reads,

“Because he has set his love upon Me,
therefore I will deliver him;
I will set him on high,
because he has known My name”.

As the Lord has first set His love upon us, may we be challenged to determine to love Him in response! This love will undergird our desire to obey His commandments, so that we may truly be a “holy people to the Lord”.

I WILL STRETCH OUT MY HAND

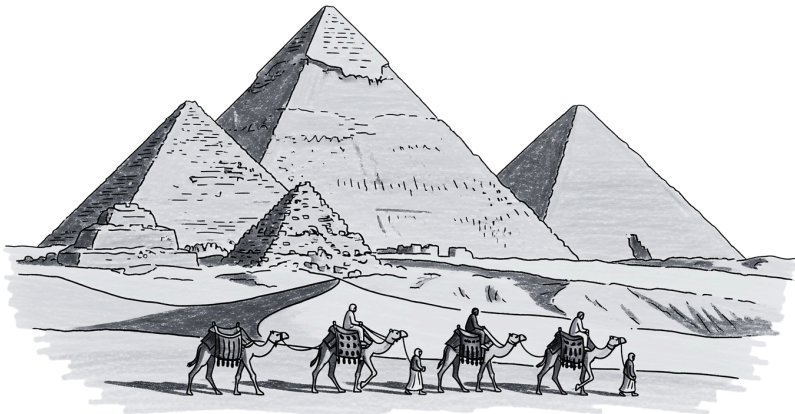
God revealed more than His glorious name;
The elders of Israel need not find anyone to blame.
Moses must speak with confidence and authority;
He must declare the Name of God most boldly.

God had appeared to His people in their sorrow;
He would redeem them and offer hope for tomorrow.
He was aware of the affliction they had suffered;
The cruel ways of the Egyptians would not be tolerated.

God would take them out of the land of the Egyptians;
He would bring them to a land beyond mere description.
The people must heed the voice of Moses, God's servant;
They will see God's hand outstretched and learn obedience.

The Pharaoh must be expected to resist God's demand;
But he would soon learn just who is in true command.
God would cause Israel to plunder the Egyptians;
But to the Lord's word they must not be disobedient.

Charles Tan
Inspiration: Exodus 3:18-22



ANNOUNCEMENTS

NO YOUTH WORSHIP IN THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

In view of the events taking place on the next two Saturdays in church, we will not be meeting for Youth Worship.

Youth Worship resumes after the Youth Conference, on 13 December 2025.

PRE-CONFERENCE SPECIAL 2025

Youth Conference is soon approaching! A Pre-Conference Special will be held to prepare our hearts for Camp.

Date: 29 November 2025 (Saturday)

Time: 3.00pm

Location: Sanctuary

The session will be followed by an afternoon tea. Please join us for a time of fellowship over tea.

GREETINGS FROM PERTH

Pastor Charles Tan is ministering in Bethel this week and he sends greetings to all. He will be returning on Monday, 17 November 2025.

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.

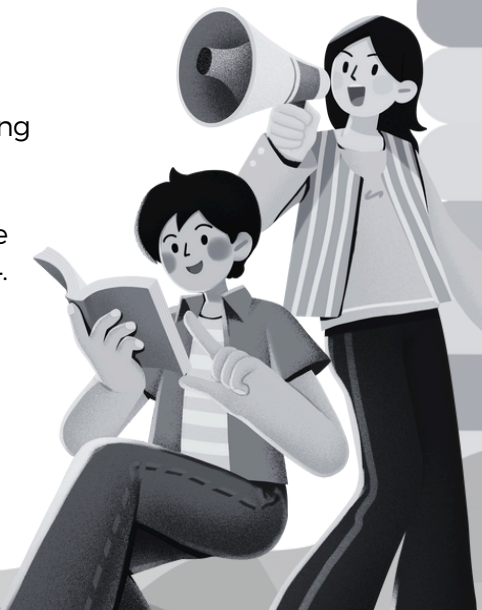
Fees

\$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:





Christmas

CAROLLING 2025

Christmas remains a precious and joyous time of celebrating the advent of our Great Redeemer and Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. Let us be encouraged to declare His wondrous praise and share the Light of His Gospel to those around us!

We're glad to have our Christmas Carolling this year. If you're interested, kindly register at the Booth in the Fellowship Hall on Sundays.

Details

Date: 6 December 2025, Saturday

Venue: Sanctuary

Time: 3.00pm

We will begin with a time of Worship in the Main Sanctuary (Level 2), followed by a Fellowship Tea at Level 1.



Christmas

AT SHANGRI-LA 2025

Our special Christmas Service and Christmas Lunch will be held on 25 December 2025.

Let us anticipate a glorious time of extolling the LORD our God!

Details

Date: 25 December 2025, Thursday

Venue: Shangri-La

Time: 10.30am

Christmas Worship Service will commence at 10.30am, followed by Christmas Lunch.

Please plan to sign up early!

Kindly scan the QR below to register for Christmas Lunch. If you've any inquiries, please approach us at the booth in the Fellowship Hall on Sundays and we will assist you.



NEXT YWS



13 DECEMBER 2025

“What does the LORD your God require of you?”

Text: Deuteronomy 9-10

The LORD’s blessings upon sinful Israel underscores His boundless mercy and love. Having experienced God's goodness despite their rebellion, Israel should treasure their second chance to keep the covenant of God. What does the LORD God require of them, but to fear Him, to walk in all His ways and to love Him, to serve Him with all their heart and with all their soul, and to keep His commandments for their good?



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