

Youth Worship

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

WELCOME TO YOUTH WORSHIP!

Great is the mercy of God in calling us His people. Let us worship Him with grateful hearts, cherishing our relationship with Him and delighting in His presence!



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COME AND WORSHIP

RETURN, O LORD!

What could be more frightening than the wrath of God? It is the withdrawal of His presence. Confronted with this terrifying reality, Moses offered a wise and vital prayer.

¹³ Return, O LORD!
How long?

And have compassion on Your servants.

¹⁴ Oh, satisfy us early with Your mercy,
That we may rejoice and be glad all our days!

¹⁵ Make us glad according to the days
in which You have afflicted us,
The years *in which* we have seen evil.

PSALM 90:13-15

1. God's Presence

a. Moses understood the importance of God's Presence

b. He wouldn't enter the Promised Land without
His Presence

Exodus 33:15

c. There was no significance in inheriting the Land if God was
not with Israel



2. Moses' earnest plea to God

- a. Return to Israel Psalm 90:13a
- b. Have compassion on His servants Psalm 90:13b
- c. Satisfy them early with His mercy Psalm 90:14

3. A time of afflictions

- a. Sin provokes the righteous wrath of God
- b. Afflictions fill our years with sorrow
- c. Joy and gladness dissipate in times of suffering

4. Restoration of joy

- a. What can restore joy amid affliction?
- b. Moses did not request for any material blessing
- c. He knew that only reconciliation with God could restore joy and gladness

TREASURING GOD'S PRESENCE

Is joy a defining feature of your life? It can be a telltale sign of whether God's presence is with you. Too often, we place our hopes in various pursuits, seeking to fill our empty hearts with joy and gladness, yet fail to recognise God as the true Source of joy.

We take God's presence for granted when we forget Him in times of ease and seek Him only when we are overwhelmed. Let us not wait for affliction to plague us before we draw near to the LORD. Instead, may we gain the wisdom to treasure God and His presence, so that joy and gladness may abound in our lives!

ORDER OF WORSHIP

YOUTH WORSHIP SERVICE

18 APRIL 2026

Prelude

Pianist: Lorraine Lai

Call to Worship

Pastor Jonathan Jacob

Opening Prayer

Pastor Jonathan Jacob

Song Leading

1. 10,000 Reasons

2. Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

Hannah Hoo and Ong Yanning

Pianists: Lorraine Lai and

Rayne Quek

Cajonist: Jamie Li

Scripture Reading

Text: Deuteronomy 32:15-35

Chloe Tang and Gloria Lim

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Moses Kwek

Message

“But Jeshurun grew fat and kicked”

Text: Deuteronomy 32:15-35

Pastor Jonathan Jacob

Closing Prayer

Pastor Jonathan Jacob

Offering

Postlude

Pianist: Rayne Quek

MY NOTES

18 APRIL 2026

“BUT JESHURUN GREW FAT AND KICKED”

DEUTERONOMY 32:15-35

WORSHIP SONGS

10, 000 Reasons

by Jonas Myrin and Matt Redman

Chorus

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
O my soul,
Worship His holy name.
Sing like never before,
O my soul,
I'll worship Your holy name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning,
It's time to sing Your song again.
Whatever may pass,
And whatever lies before me,
Let me be singing when the evening comes.

Chorus

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
O my soul,
Worship His holy name.
Sing like never before,
O my soul,
I'll worship Your holy name.

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger,
Your name is great and Your heart is kind.
For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing,
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

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Chorus

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
O my soul,
Worship His holy name.
Sing like never before,
O my soul,
I'll worship Your holy name.

And on that day, when my strength is failing,
The end draws near and my time has come,
Still, my soul will sing Your praise unending;
Ten thousand years and then forevermore.

Chorus

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
O my soul,
Worship His holy name.
Sing like never before,
O my soul,
I'll worship Your holy name,
Worship Your holy name,
Lord, I'll worship Your holy name.

(end)

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

By Keith & Kristyn Getty, Matt Papa

What is our hope in life and death?
Christ alone, Christ alone.
What is our only confidence?
That our souls to Him belong.

Who holds our days within His hand?
What comes, apart from His command?
And what will keep us to the end?
The love of Christ, in which we stand.

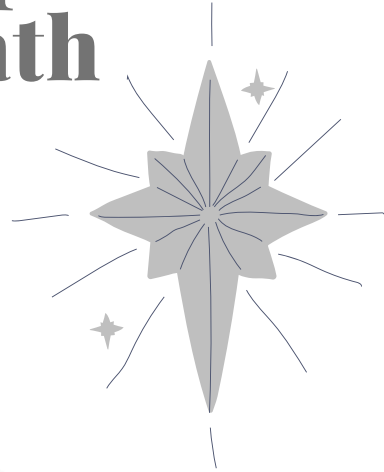
Chorus:

O sing hallelujah!
Our hope springs eternal;
O sing hallelujah!
Now and ever we confess
Christ our Hope in life and death.

What truth can calm the troubled soul?
God is good, God is good.
Where is His grace and goodness known?
In our great Redeemer's blood.

Who holds our faith when fears arise?
Who stands above the stormy trial?
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
Unto the shore, the rock of Christ?

Chorus



Unto the grave, what shall we sing?
"Christ, He lives! Christ, He lives!"
And what reward will heaven bring?
Everlasting life with Him.

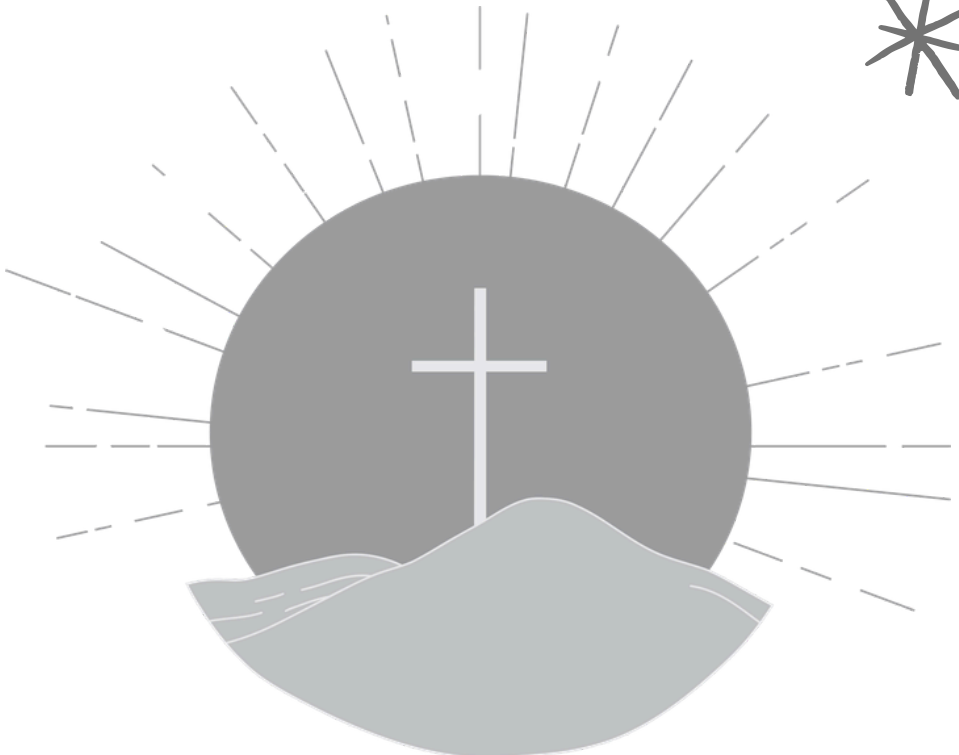


There we will rise to meet the Lord,
Then sin and death will be destroyed,
And we will feast in endless joy,
When Christ is ours forevermore.



Chorus

(end)



REVIEW OF GOD'S WORD

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

YWS MESSAGE - 11 APRIL 2026

“REMEMBER THE DAYS OF OLD”

TEXT: DEUTERONOMY 32:7-14

INTRODUCTION

1. Deuteronomy 32 is known as the “Song of Moses”
2. Deuteronomy 32:1-6 – The beginning of the song
 - a. A great consciousness of God (Deuteronomy 32:1-4)
 - b. A candid assessment of Israel’s spiritual state (Deuteronomy 32:5)
 - c. A challenge for them to reconsider their ways (Deuteronomy 32:6)

THE CALL TO REMEMBER

⁷ *“Remember the days of old,
Consider the years of many generations.
Ask your father, and he will show you;
Your elders, and they will tell you:*

Deuteronomy 32:7

1. Israel was to remember the past
 - a. The days of old
 - b. The years of many generations
 - c. What God has done for them since the beginning!

2. They were to consult the older ones

- a. Their father
- b. Their elders

3. Why the call to remember?

Because God knew they were in danger of forgetting

- a. When they have eaten and are full (Deuteronomy 8:12a)
- b. When they have built beautiful houses and dwell in them (Deuteronomy 8:12b)
- c. When they have been enriched with livestock and wealth (Deuteronomy 8:13)
- d. When their hearts are lifted up (Deuteronomy 8:14)

THE BLESSINGS OF GOD TO REMEMBER

1. God's plan for them to inherit the promised land

*⁸ When the Most High divided their inheritance to the nations,
When He separated the sons of Adam,
He set the boundaries of the peoples
According to the number of the children of Israel. Deuteronomy 32:8*

- a. God had specially prepared the land of Canaan for Israel's inheritance
- b. He had set the boundaries of the nations to pave the way for Israel to conquer the land

2. God's regard for them as His inheritance

⁹ *For the LORD's portion is His people;
Jacob is the place of His inheritance.* Deuteronomy 32:9

- a. God saw Israel as His portion and inheritance
- b. God had chosen them as His special treasure above all peoples
cf. Deuteronomy 7:6
- c. This is in spite of Him knowing their rebellious nature!

3. God's care and protection for them

¹⁰ *"He found him in a desert land
And in the wasteland, a howling wilderness;
He encircled him, He instructed him,
He kept him as the apple of His eye.* Deuteronomy 32:10

- a. Israel was once in a desolate state
- b. But God specially encircled them with His presence
- c. He instructed them through Moses
- d. He saw them as precious in His sight (apple of His eye)

4. God's leading and training of them

¹¹ *As an eagle stirs up its nest,
Hovers over its young,
Spreading out its wings, taking them up,
Carrying them on its wings,*

¹² *So the LORD alone led him,
And there was no foreign god with him.* Deuteronomy 32:11-12

- a. A beautiful imagery of a mother eagle training her eaglets
 - i. She would stir up the nest to train them to fly
 - ii. She would hover over them to watch over them
 - iii. She would carry them on her wings when they struggle
- b. This is how the Lord led Israel!
 - i. He would train them
 - ii. He would watch over them
 - iii. He would be there to rescue them when they falter

5. God's abundant provision for them

¹³ *"He made him ride in the heights of the earth,
That he might eat the produce of the fields;
He made him draw honey from the rock,
And oil from the flinty rock;*

¹⁴ *Curds from the cattle, and milk of the flock,
With fat of lambs;
And rams of the breed of Bashan, and goats,
With the choicest wheat;*

And you drank wine, the blood of the grapes. Deuteronomy 32:13-14

- a. He gave them great success
- b. He blessed them with the produce of the land
 - i. Honey
 - ii. Oil
 - iii. Best of livestock
 - iv. Choicest wheat
 - v. Wine
- c. There is so much that God had given to Israel!

LESSONS FOR US TO LEARN

1. Remember God's blessings
 - a. The danger of forgetting is so real
 - b. We must learn to recall all His blessings for us
 - i. Individually
 - ii. As a church
2. Renew our appreciation of His blessings
 - a. Not to take them for granted
 - b. To cherish every blessing He has given to us
3. Respond to Him in grateful remembrance
 - a. To return to Him
 - b. To renew our love for Him
 - c. To serve Him

REFLECTIONS

YOUTH WORSHIP REFLECTIONS

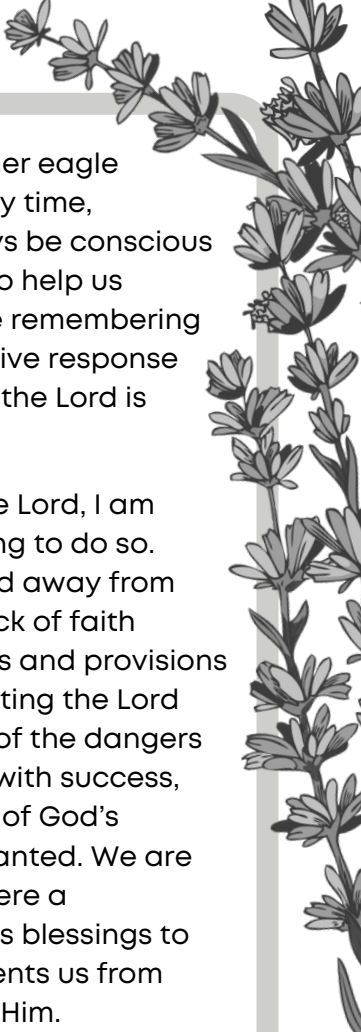
by Leon Lai

Hi everyone, welcome back to another week of Youth Worship! Last week, we continued to learn about the “Song of Moses” and his call to remember the Lord.

The importance of remembering the Lord


Throughout Youth Worship, we have learned about several examples of great faith, such as Moses, Joshua and Caleb. They looked to the Lord for help, remembering Him, and in doing so, they found strength amidst their struggles. What stands out to me about these examples is how they did so without fear, fully trusting in God. These are examples I strive to follow as I face my own challenges. For me, a natural reaction when encountering challenges is one of fear and anxiety. However, a response I am trying to practise is to remember the previous difficulties and milestones the Lord has already seen me through. In doing so, it grants me the confidence that the Lord will help me through the challenges that lie ahead.

“As an eagle stirs up its nest,
Hovers over its young,
Spreading out its wings, taking them up,
Carrying them on its wings,
So the LORD alone led him,
And there was no foreign god with him.”
Deuteronomy 32:11-12



As I reflect upon this, the imagery of a mother eagle hovering near her child, ready to help at any time, comes to mind. Although we may not always be conscious of it, God is watching over us and is ready to help us whenever we seek Him. As I seek to practise remembering the Lord, I hope to one day have an instinctive response of peace rather than anxiety, knowing that the Lord is with me and will provide.

Besides the importance of remembering the Lord, I am reminded of the danger that lies in forgetting to do so. We read about instances when Israel turned away from God as their faith in Him faltered. Israel's lack of faith occurred despite experiencing the blessings and provisions of the Lord. To me, this shows us how forgetting the Lord can be a slippery slope leading to sin. One of the dangers we face is the problem of pride. When met with success, it is easy to attribute it to ourselves instead of God's provisions, and we take His blessings for granted. We are reminded of this in Deuteronomy 8:12-17, where a prosperous Israel forgets about God and His blessings to their own power and might. This pride prevents us from seeking God and could draw us away from Him.



“Pride goes before destruction,
And a haughty spirit before a fall.”
Proverbs 16:18

Furthermore, the danger of pride is that it can be blinding, preventing us from seeing that we are in the wrong. As such, we need to always be conscious of it and guard ourselves. Even when we go through successes in life, we should remain humble and remember that our blessings come from God. By doing so, we can prevent ourselves from forgetting the Lord and straying away from Him.



Practical steps to remembering God

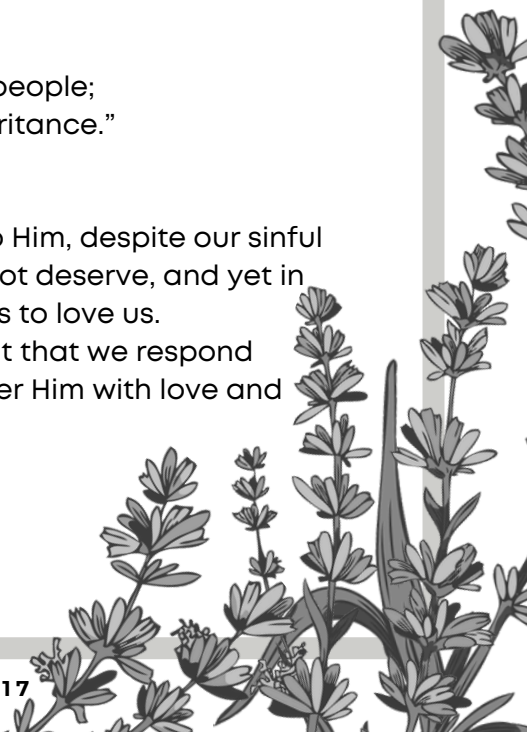
I am sure this lesson of remembering the Lord is not new to many of us. However, it is in our human nature to forget as we are easily caught up in our busy schedules and various responsibilities. As a result, it is only through conscious effort that we will be able to remember God. For me, I find having practical steps useful in helping me to do so. For example, building good habits such as daily devotions and setting aside time to pray helps me to set my mind on Him. Another practice I have is pasting Bible verses in front of my table or next to my bed, as it reminds me of God's word when I study and when I wake up. Building these routines into my daily schedules helps me to remember the Lord throughout my day.

Remembering God as a response to His love

In Deuteronomy 32, we read about how the Lord sees Israel as His portion and inheritance, despite their rebellious nature.

“For the LORD’s portion is His people;
Jacob is the place of His inheritance.”
Deuteronomy 32:9

We, too, are seen as precious to Him, despite our sinful ways. This is something we do not deserve, and yet in God's great mercy, He continues to love us. As children of God, it is only right that we respond by sparing no effort to remember Him with love and thankfulness.






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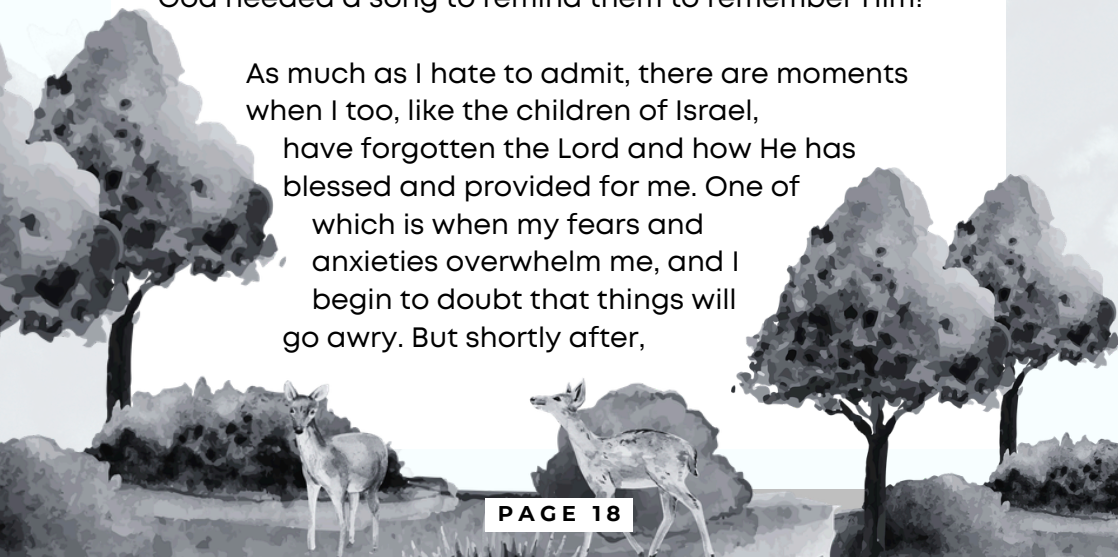
BY MICHELLE CHOO

Hello young people and welcome back to another week of Youth Worship!

Last week, we continued reading and learning from Deuteronomy 32, the Song of Moses. In Moses' song, there was a call for the children of Israel to remember the Lord and His provision. The children of Israel had forgotten the Person of God. All throughout, God had always provided for them, despite them sinning and complaining against Him—from the time He delivered them from Pharaoh, God had led them through the wilderness, providing them with food and water, and protecting them with His hand. We see the extent of these blessings recorded in Deuteronomy 32:13-14, where the Lord provided for them in abundance. Yet, there was an utter lack of thankfulness for how much the Lord had done for them, to the point where God needed a song to remind them to remember Him!



As much as I hate to admit, there are moments when I too, like the children of Israel, have forgotten the Lord and how He has blessed and provided for me. One of which is when my fears and anxieties overwhelm me, and I begin to doubt that things will go awry. But shortly after,



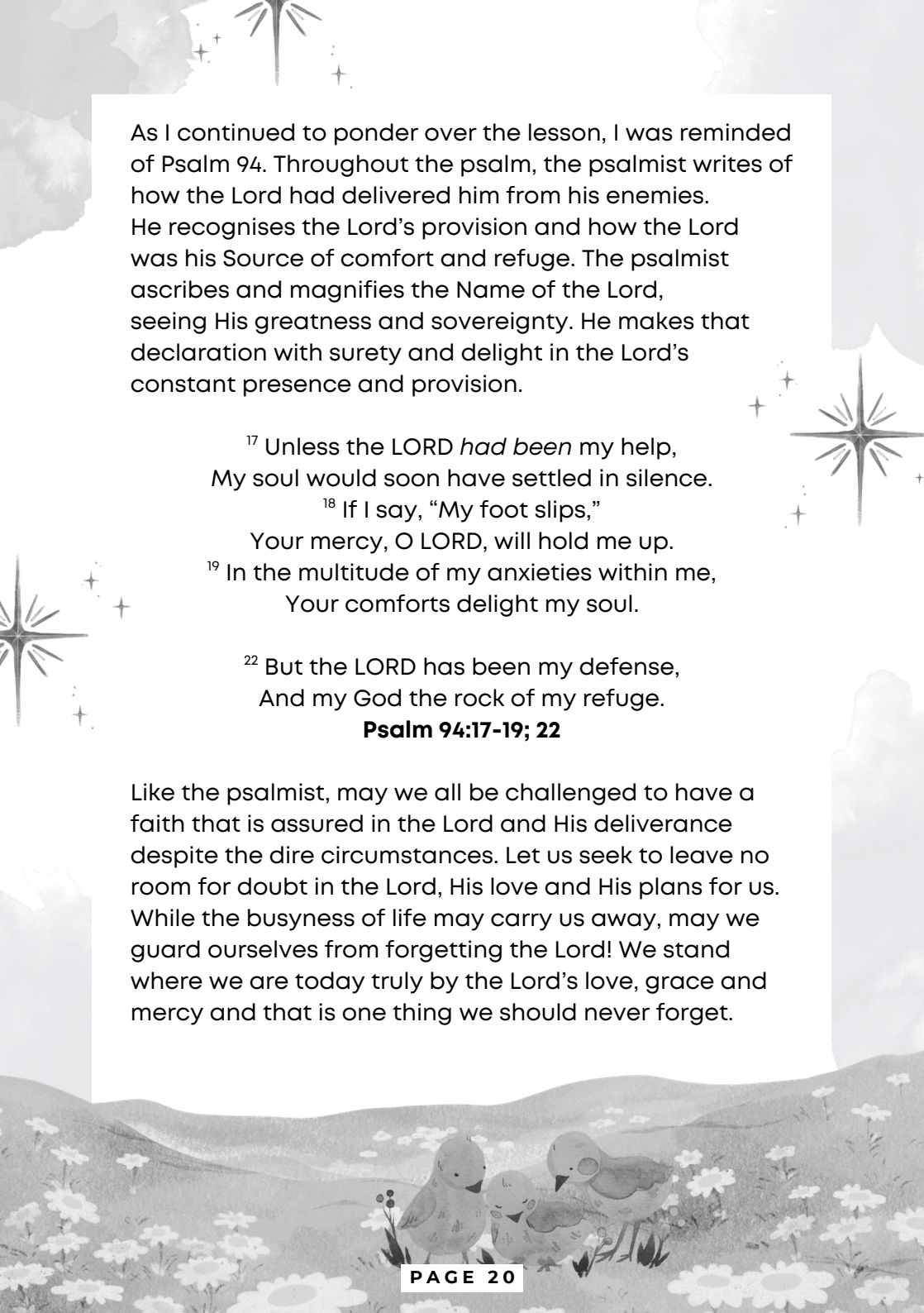
the Lord proves me wrong and I'll feel rebuked—in my moment of doubt, it proved not only that I had forgotten God, but also my lack of faith in Him.

Forget not His benefits

A habit I have been cultivating over the years is to be reflective. So for example, after every school semester, I would look back and think about how it went, and journal it down. Regardless of how challenges were presented to me, I was always able to trace the Lord's Hand throughout. I cannot help but respond with a heart of praise, because I could never imagine how much harder life could be without God. It is easier to be thankful when we reflect and trace the Lord's Hand in our life. But I am challenged to not just look back and give thanks to the Lord for carrying me through, but to continually remember His love and promises to me as I go through these challenges.

This process has really helped me to cultivate a greater consciousness of God and to remember what He has done for me. It helps me to remember that amidst the adversities in life, I have this great God who loves me and will carry me through, which changes my perspective from an inward looking one, to one that looks toward God. This is something I would definitely encourage you to try if you haven't already!





As I continued to ponder over the lesson, I was reminded of Psalm 94. Throughout the psalm, the psalmist writes of how the Lord had delivered him from his enemies. He recognises the Lord's provision and how the Lord was his Source of comfort and refuge. The psalmist ascribes and magnifies the Name of the Lord, seeing His greatness and sovereignty. He makes that declaration with surety and delight in the Lord's constant presence and provision.

¹⁷ Unless the LORD *had been* my help,
My soul would soon have settled in silence.

¹⁸ If I say, "My foot slips,"

Your mercy, O LORD, will hold me up.

¹⁹ In the multitude of my anxieties within me,
Your comforts delight my soul.

²² But the LORD has been my defense,
And my God the rock of my refuge.

Psalm 94:17-19; 22

Like the psalmist, may we all be challenged to have a faith that is assured in the Lord and His deliverance despite the dire circumstances. Let us seek to leave no room for doubt in the Lord, His love and His plans for us. While the busyness of life may carry us away, may we guard ourselves from forgetting the Lord! We stand where we are today truly by the Lord's love, grace and mercy and that is one thing we should never forget.

LET MY PEOPLE GO

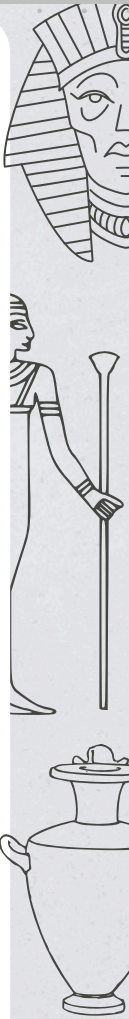
Moses and Aaron carefully approached the Pharaoh;
They presented this solemn word "Let My people go!"
They spoke as the appointed servants of the LORD;
They had a divine word from the LORD their God!

The request was for a Retreat in the Wilderness;
They wanted to worship God in His righteousness.
Pharaoh listened with a face that was livid with rage;
Nobody had ever dared to speak this way; this was an outrage.

The request was denied instantly by the Pharaoh;
The word of God he would certainly not follow.
He did not recognise the God of the Hebrews;
Hence, this request for time-out was refused!

He would not let the children of Israel leave Egypt;
God's word of warning had been free from deceit.
Moses and Aaron must know how difficult the task was;
They must find the strength to withstand Pharaoh's wrath.

Charles Tan
Inspiration: Exodus 5:1-5



ANNOUNCEMENT

GREETINGS FROM PERTH

Pastor Charles Tan sends greetings from Bethel IPC.
Pastor Ben Chong and Pastor Ben Quah add their
greetings. They will be returning home on Monday,
20 April 2026.



NEXT YWS



25 APRIL 2026

“The LORD will judge His people”

Text: Deuteronomy 32:36-43

For all the heinous sins of the people, our righteous God will surely exercise His divine judgment. Yet there is hope – God would show compassion to His servants when their afflictions lead them to recognise that there is no god besides the LORD. The repentant may look forward to God’s provision of atonement for His land and His people.



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