

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!

The Word of God imbues life and strength.
May our souls be deeply refreshed and
renewed by the Scriptures which
God imparts!



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COME AND WORSHIP

ESTABLISH THE WORK OF OUR HANDS

Moses was truly an astute and outstanding servant of the LORD. Many are the mighty deeds which he had performed for the nation of Israel as the chosen leader of God. Yet, to Moses, the most fundamental need was to seek the LORD in establishing the work of his hands.

He concluded his song with these insightful prayers.

¹⁶ Let Your work appear to Your servants,
And Your glory to their children.

¹⁷ And let the beauty of the LORD our God be upon us,
And establish the work of our hands for us;
Yes, establish the work of our hands.

PSALM 90:16-17

1. A prayer for God to reveal

a. His work

i. God's hand is constantly at work

ii. But not all are able to perceive the the LORD's works

iii. May He help His servants to discern His works!



b. His glory

i. Glory is to be found in the LORD

ii. May that glory be revealed to His children!

2. A prayer for God to bestow His beauty

a. The LORD is “beautiful” in every sense of the word

i. His Holiness

ii. His Love

iii. His Faithfulness and more

3. A prayer for God to establish the work of our hands

a. God has given to each one work to fulfil

b. This work will be in vain if the LORD does not establish

LET US SEEK GOD HUMBLY

We are encouraged to observe the great and glorious works of the LORD in our lives, in Bethany, and in our IPC family. Let us not take the LORD for granted but to humbly pray for Him to reveal greater works which we may attempt. Unless God establishes, the work which we do will be futile. Let us earnestly plead for the LORD to establish the work of our hands that it may be fruitful for His kingdom!



ORDER OF WORSHIP

YOUTH WORSHIP SERVICE

25 APRIL 2026

Prelude

Pianist: Esther Tang

Call to Worship

Pastor Mark Tan

Opening Prayer

Pastor Mark Tan

Song Leading

1. Lord, I'm In Your Hands
2. You Are My All In All

Joel Tan and Jovan Wong

Pianists: Lorraine Lai and
Esther Tang

Scripture Reading

Text: Deuteronomy 32:36-43

Thaddeus Heng and Laura Chan

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Benjamin Quah

Message

"The LORD will judge His people"

Text: Deuteronomy 32:36-43

Pastor Mark Tan

Closing Prayer

Pastor Mark Tan

Offering

Postlude

Pianist: Lorraine Lai

MY NOTES

25 APRIL 2026

“THE LORD WILL JUDGE HIS PEOPLE”

DEUTERONOMY 32:36-43

WORSHIP SONGS

LORD, I'M IN YOUR HANDS

Lord, I'm in Your hands;
Lord, I'm in Your heart;
In Your thoughts, in Your plans.
Never on my own.

Lord, I'm in Your hands;
Lord, I'm in Your heart;
In Your thoughts, in Your plans.
Never left alone.

And when the darkness closes in,
And fear begins to rise,
Help me to remember
That You're always by my side.

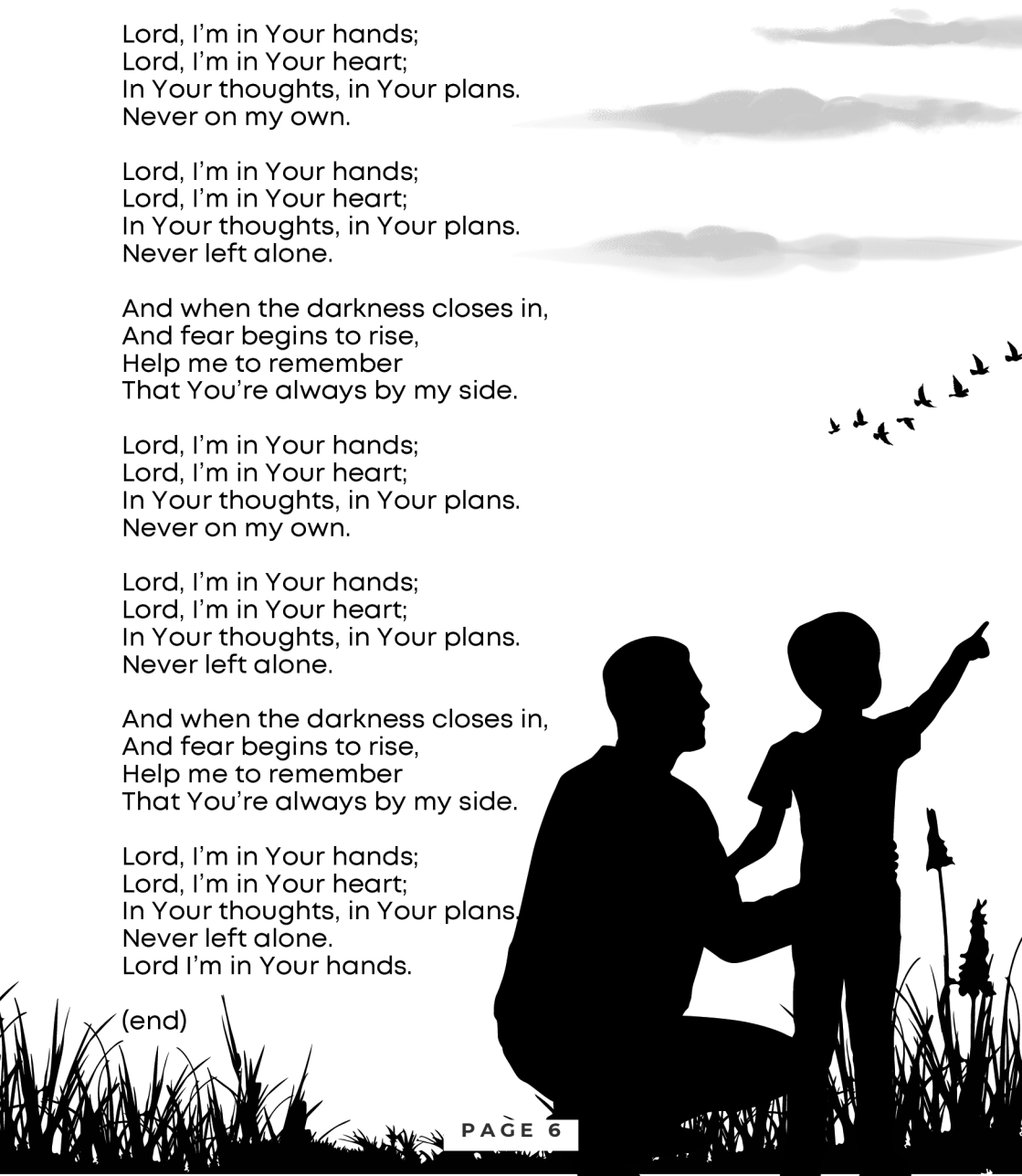
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Never left alone.
Lord I'm in Your hands.

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YOU ARE MY ALL IN ALL

By Dennis L. Jernigan

1. You are my strength when I am weak,
You are the treasure that I seek;
You are my all in all.
Seeking You as a precious jewel,
Lord, to give up, I'd be a fool;
You are my all in all.

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your Name!
Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your Name!

2. Taking my sin, my cross, my shame,
Rising again I bless Your Name;
You are my all in all.
When I fall down, You pick me up;
When I am dry, You fill my cup;
You are my all in all.

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your Name!
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REVIEW OF GOD'S WORD

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

YWS MESSAGE - 18 APRIL 2026

“BUT JESHURUN GREW FAT AND KICKED”

TEXT: DEUTERONOMY 32:15-35

INTRODUCTION

1. God had blessed His people significantly
 - a. They were reminded in the Song of Moses to respond well
 - i. To remember God and what He had done
 - ii. To renew their appreciation for God
 - b. But did they?
2. God knew His people well (Deuteronomy 31:19-21)
 - a. He knew the inclination of the behaviour of the nation of Israel
 - b. He knew that they would turn to other gods and serve them
 - c. He knew that they would provoke Him and break His covenant
 - d. So God asked Moses to write a song
 - i. To testify against them as a witness when they do commit these sins
 - ii. To warn them of the judgment to come

THE POOR RESPONSES OF JESHURUN WHICH WILL PROVOKE GOD

¹⁵ "But Jeshurun grew fat and kicked;

You grew fat, you grew thick,

You are obese!

Then he forsook God who made him,

And scornfully esteemed the Rock of his salvation.

¹⁶ They provoked Him to jealousy with foreign gods;

With abominations they provoked Him to anger.

¹⁷ They sacrificed to demons, not to God,

To gods they did not know,

To new gods, new arrivals

That your fathers did not fear.

¹⁸ Of the Rock who begot you, you are unmindful,

And have forgotten the God who fathered you.

Deuteronomy 32:15-18

1. Israel as Jeshurun (Deuteronomy 32:15)

a. A term of endearment and affection for Israel

i. It means "righteous and upright one"

ii. This was Israel in God's eyes

b. God had every intention of blessing the nation of Israel (Deuteronomy 8:7-10)

i. He assured them that He will bring them into a good land

ii. They will lack nothing

iii. When they have eaten and are full, they are to bless the LORD their God

2. But God knew how Jeshurun will provoke Him to anger and jealousy
 - a. They kicked (Deuteronomy 32:15a)
 - b. They forsook God who made him (Deuteronomy 32:15b)
 - c. They scornfully esteemed the Rock of their salvation (Deuteronomy 32:15c)
 - d. They committed idolatry (Deuteronomy 32:16-17)
 - e. They were unmindful and had forgotten God (Deuteronomy 32:18)
 - i. Though He had begotten them
 - ii. Though He had fathered them

GOD WARNED OF THE MANY EVILS AND TROUBLES THAT WILL COME UPON ISRAEL

*¹⁹ "And when the LORD saw it, He spurned them,
Because of the provocation of His sons and His daughters.*

*²⁰ And He said: 'I will hide My face from them,
I will see what their end will be,
For they are a perverse generation,
Children in whom is no faith.*

*²¹ They have provoked Me to jealousy by what is not God;
They have moved Me to anger by their foolish idols.
But I will provoke them to jealousy by those who are not a nation;
I will move them to anger by a foolish nation.*

*²² For a fire is kindled in My anger,
And shall burn to the lowest hell;
It shall consume the earth with her increase,
And set on fire the foundations of the mountains.*

*23 "I will heap disasters on them;
I will spend My arrows on them.*

*24 They shall be wasted with hunger,
Devoured by pestilence and bitter destruction;
I will also send against them the teeth of beasts,
With the poison of serpents of the dust.*

*25 The sword shall destroy outside;
There shall be terror within
For the young man and virgin,
The nursing child with the man of gray hairs.*

*26 I would have said, "I will dash them in pieces,
I will make the memory of them to cease from among men,"*

*27 Had I not feared the wrath of the enemy,
Lest their adversaries should misunderstand,
Lest they should say, "Our hand is high;
And it is not the LORD who has done all this."*

*28 "For they are a nation void of counsel,
Nor is there any understanding in them.*

*29 Oh, that they were wise, that they understood this,
That they would consider their latter end!*

*30 How could one chase a thousand,
And two put ten thousand to flight,
Unless their Rock had sold them,
And the LORD had surrendered them?*

*31 For their rock is not like our Rock,
Even our enemies themselves being judges.*

*32 For their vine is of the vine of Sodom
And of the fields of Gomorrah;
Their grapes are grapes of gall,
Their clusters are bitter.*

*33 Their wine is the poison of serpents,
And the cruel venom of cobras.*

Deuteronomy 32:19-33

1. God warned that He will judge them
 - a. The hiding of His face from them (Deuteronomy 32:20)
 - i. He will spurn them
 - ii. God will see what their end will be
 - iii. Without God blessing and hearing prayer, their end will come
 - b. His anger (Deuteronomy 32:22)
 - c. Disasters (Deuteronomy 32:23-26)
 - d. God will forsake them (Deuteronomy 32:30)
2. God's purpose when He judged and chastened His people (Amos 4:6-12)
 - a. So that they would return to the LORD
 - b. So that they would seek the LORD in humility and repentance

IT IS GOD'S PREROGATIVE TO JUDGE

*³⁴ 'Is this not laid up in store with Me,
Sealed up among My treasures?*

*³⁵ Vengeance is Mine, and recompense;
Their foot shall slip in due time;
For the day of their calamity is at hand,
And the things to come hasten upon them.'*

Deuteronomy 32:34-35

1. Vengeance is Mine (Deuteronomy 32:35a)

- a. God will exercise His vengeance
- b. His vengeance must be understood in the context of recompense
 - i. It is not revenge without restraint
 - ii. It is God's right and prerogative to make recompense
 - iii. God will do so as a fair and righteous Judge

2. Calamity will happen in due time (Deuteronomy 32:35b)

- a. Their foot shall slip
- b. They will experience the day of their calamity and the things to come

RELEVANT LESSONS WE CAN LEARN

1. Let us appreciate how merciful our God is

- a. He did not bring about calamity immediately though Israel provoked Him greatly
- b. He knew their inclination to sin
- c. He provided instruction and warnings
- d. He chastened His people so that they might return to Him

2. Let us return to God if we have sinned against and departed from God

- a. By taking heed to the instructions and warnings which are given
- b. When we are chastened by the Father, to repent in contrition and seek Him humbly

REFLECTIONS

YOUTH WORSHIP REFLECTIONS

BY JAYDEN POH

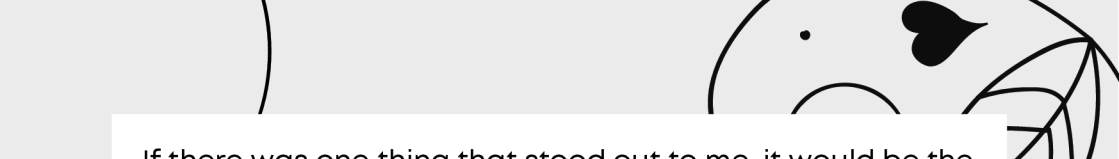
Introduction

Welcome back to Youth Worship. It is a great joy to be back in the house of the LORD!

Last week at Youth Worship, we learnt of Israel forsaking the LORD and the stark reminders and warnings which God gave to them as recorded in Deuteronomy 32:15-35.

I Must Not Forget

Despite the children of Israel being referred to as Jeshurun (which is a term of closeness and endearment), they “grew fat and kicked” with disdain and contempt. This described how they grew in their errors and sinfulness, despite having been blessed by God. Because of their provocations towards the LORD, they were deeply warned of the consequences of forsaking God who begot and fathered them. The song of Moses was intended to serve as a reminder to the people of Israel to renew their appreciation for the LORD and to warn them of their sinful inclinations.



If there was one thing that stood out to me, it would be the danger of forgetting the LORD.

Forgetting the LORD is a concern that I struggle with as in my journey of faith. In my academics and projects, there were times amid setbacks when I initially found myself forgetting to turn to Him. Because of this, I found no way of overcoming these challenges alone. It was only when I returned to the LORD, and through His word, I found much-needed comfort and strength to persevere, labour, and overcome these adversities that I once thought were impossible.

*“But by the grace of God I am what I am,
and His grace toward me was not in vain;
but I labored more abundantly than they all, yet not I,
but the grace of God which was with me.”*

1 Corinthians 15:10

As I trace every blessing, I must not forget that it was none other than the grace of the LORD that was given to me, despite my errors and forgetfulness. If I were to forget Him and turn away from Him, His grace would then be without effect.

As I reflect upon this, I am reminded of how much I need the LORD and ought to appreciate His goodness towards me!

The need to return to the LORD

As we have learnt, Israel was truly blessed as we trace the LORD's hand in their history. Having been led out of Egypt through the Red Sea, guided by the pillar of cloud and fire towards the Promised Land, and triumphing over their enemies, it was none other than the LORD who had loved, cared for, and provided for them. Sadly, despite all these, the children of Israel took these blessings for granted and forsook the LORD.

We read through Amos 4:6-11, which records how Israel did not return to God despite the blessings and woes delivered to them. One thing that shook me was the question of what it means to return to God, more specifically, from a personal standpoint: my approach to returning to Him.

Similar to the children of Israel, the danger of failing to respond to the LORD's teachings and blessings can be very real.

The more I reflect, the more I recognise my errors and sinfulness. Personally, it is not just a genuine Repentance that I needed, but also a hope and longing to relate to the LORD. Only then may I cultivate a heightened sense of consciousness of God and consistency in my walk with the LORD. By memorising Bible memory verses, reflecting upon past lessons learnt, and setting aside time to seek Him through His Word, I hope to develop a greater consistency in my daily walk with Him. Even if all these are said, there will still be times when I struggle with these sins and fail to see the LORD's hand. Much correction and chastening from the LORD would be needed so that I would learn and see a glimpse of His love towards me.

*⁵ And you have forgotten the exhortation
which speaks to you as to sons:
“My son, do not despise the chastening of the Lord,
Nor be discouraged when you are rebuked by Him;
⁶ For whom the Lord loves He chastens,
And scourges every son whom He receives.”
Hebrews 12:5-6*

The LORD deeply loves whom He chastens and scourges. If I desire to remember the LORD, I too must return to Him with a greater sense of humility!

My challenge

Perhaps there are some struggles or challenges which hinder us, or sins that cause us to stumble and fail to see the LORD's hand. My hope is that we may cultivate a deeper sense of consciousness of God, and consistency in our walk with the LORD. Knowing that it is through the recognition of our sinful errors, genuine repentance, and a desire to know Him better that we may learn to walk with the LORD more meaningfully!




YOUTH WORSHIP REFLECTIONS

BY JEROME LAI

Hello everybody, and welcome back to another week of Youth Worship! I am so glad that you have taken the time to join us this Saturday afternoon. May it be a meaningful time of worship for you!

Recently, we have been learning about the “Song of Moses” from Deuteronomy 32. We read last week about how Israel, in their abundance of blessings, “grew fat and kicked” and forsook God. They also turned to worship foreign gods because they had forgotten God who had fathered them. As recompense (punishment) for Israel’s rejection, God would hide His face from them, and great calamities would befall Israel.

Failing to Remember God



What scares me from this text is how easily Israel forsook God, who had been with them from their exodus out of Egypt, to their journey in the wilderness and even their victories against vicious enemies. Despite all that God had done for them, Israel failed to even simply remember Him and instead turned to worship false gods.

Another thing which scares me is the danger that we would be in if God should choose to hide His face from us. I am reminded of what the psalmist wrote in Psalm 104...

*“You hide Your face, they are troubled.
You take away their breath,
they die and return to their dust.”
Psalm 104:29*

I am humbled to know that all I have, be it physical provision, spiritual protection and life itself, all come from God who has abundantly blessed. Without Him, I am ultimately left with nothing.

The Proud Heart

Why then is it that we so often forget God?

*“Lest – when you have eaten and are full, and have built beautiful houses and dwell in them, and when your herds and your flocks multiply, and your silver and your gold are multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, when your heart is lifted up, and you forget the LORD your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage”
Deuteronomy 8:12-14*

The sombre reality is that our sinful human hearts are so often inclined to foolish pride. In the triumphant moment of success, we cannot help but attribute it to ourselves. We hence fail to recognise that it was the LORD our God who had seen us through and blessed us all this while.

“That he understands and knows Me...”

How can we learn from the Israelites and avoid falling into the trap of forgetting the LORD?

“Thus says the LORD:

*“Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom,
let not the mighty man glory in his might,
nor the rich man in his riches;*

*But let him who glories glory in this,
that he understands and knows Me, that I am the LORD,
exercising lovingkindness, judgment and righteousness
in the earth. For in these I delight,” says the LORD.”*

Jeremiah 9:23-24

One way in which we can remember God is through understanding and knowing Him. After all, everything that God gives us is ultimately for us to understand and know Him as our Heavenly Father who provides for, protects and loves us as His children.

If I may share personally, I am discovering what it means to have a personal relationship with God, and to be able to call Him “Heavenly Father”. In being able to talk to Him through prayer, I have discovered a sweetness of joy in just being able to draw close to Him. As much as we may find some sense of joy in the activities in our lives, such as hanging out with friends, winning CCA competitions, attaining academic achievements and more, none of the joy derived from these experiences can quite be described as sweet.

It is in understanding God as the One who provides each blessing that we do not forget Him. It is in knowing God Himself, as Heavenly Father, that we may find true joy in life. This blessing of a relationship with Him provides a joy far greater than what any other blessing on this earth can give, and I hope that you too, will be able to come to know God as your Heavenly Father! May our challenge be to not only enjoy the blessings in life, but to enjoy the Blesser Himself!

LET MORE WORK BE LAID ON THE MEN

Pharaoh rejected what Moses and Aaron said;
Concerning the Lord, he was not afraid!
He was filled with pride and arrogance;
He would show Israel his countenance!

The Pharaoh would punish the people;
Moses and Aaron represented Israel.
The targets were the men labourers;
He would begin to add even more pressure.

He demanded that more work be done by the slaves;
Did they really believe that their God could save?
Pharaoh was the power and authority of the land;
Who could deliver the children of Israel from his hand?

This plan of Pharaoh was calculated carefully;
His mighty power cannot be removed easily.
Who were Moses and Aaron in his sight?
Pharaoh was full of his own authority and might.

Charles Tan
Inspiration: Exodus 5:6-9



ANNOUNCEMENT

SERVING AT JUNIOR CAMP 2026

One way to express our faith is through service to the LORD!
The upcoming Junior Camp provides an opportunity for us to learn to serve with joy and purpose.

If you'd like to serve as a Helper at Camp, kindly sign up via the QR code below:



Details of the Camp are as follows:

Theme : "Great and Precious Promises"

Date : 1-4 June 2026

Time : 8:30am - 4:30pm

If you have any enquiries, kindly approach either of the Camp Organisers:

1. Pastor Benjamin Quah
2. Teacher Ainslie
3. Teacher Janelle
4. Teacher Yingsui
5. Teacher Yuanli



NEXT YWS



2 MAY 2026

“Set your hearts on all these words”

Text: Deuteronomy 32:44-47

One key lesson for the nation of Israel to learn was to have the highest regard for the Word of the LORD. The regard for God and His Word begins first in the heart. The nation of Israel was commanded to set their hearts on all the words of the law. The blessings of God would ensue if they were to observe and love His Word.



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