



# ***NEW LIFE***

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*"For the Word of God and for the testimony of Jesus Christ" (Rev 1:9)*

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Dear Readers,

### **VICTORY (1 John 5:1-11)**

All of us desire to live victorious Christian lives. This is promised us by the Bible. 1 Jn 5:4 "For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith." (memory verse). Living the Christian life can sometimes be difficult. We face temptations of all kinds, wherever we are and whatever decisions we make.

The starting point for us is that we believe that "Jesus Christ is born of God". We believe it by faith. It means that Jesus had come from God, He is eternal and He is very God. We love Jesus. We believe with our mind and love with our heart. Faith in Jesus involves our intellect and our emotion. Furthermore when we say we love God (Him that begat) we also love the brethren (them that are begotten). Loving God and the brethren must come together. It is also a quality of the new birth. 1Jn 3:14 "We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren."

Christians are to keep the commandments of God. The ten commandments were given through Moses (Exo 20:3-16) and summerized by Jesus into two basic relationships (Mt 22:36-40). These commandments are not burdensome. God gives us the grace. We are given the assurance of victory. We can overcome the temptations of the devil and the attractions of the world. The Christian is an overcomer. He is born of God. He is a child of God. Jn 1:12 "But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name." As God's children we can call on God to help us in time of testing.

#### **WHO IS AN OVERCOMER?**

##### **A BELIEVE JESUS AS GOD'S SON vv5, 6**

This is an evangelical criteria. "He that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God." This is the confession of Peter. Mt 16:16 "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God." Jesus asked the blind man, "Dost thou believe on the Son of God?" Jn 9:35. Victory comes with the right doctrine of the deity of Christ. We may be weak but Christ is strong. 2 Cor 12:10 "For when I am weak, then am I strong." We can overcome because Jesus had before us overcome the evil one.

Satan's strongest attack on the believer concerns his salvation. Let us review this matter again. Jesus says "Ye must be born again." Nicodemus had difficulty understanding this. Jesus explains: "Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God." (Jn 3:5). Water represents cleansing which means spiritually cleansing by the blood of Jesus. Heb 9:22 "And almost all things are by the law purged with blood." The Holy Spirit is the divine agency producing the new birth.

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**B WITNESS OF THE HOLY TRINITY vv7-9**

This is a theological criteria. We are victorious in our Christian life through the witness of the Holy Trinity in our life. God the Father is Creator. We address our prayers to Him because we are children of God Jesus the Son is our Redeemer and Intercessor. He prays for us as the great High Priest. Heb 7:25 "Wherefore he is able to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them." The Holy Spirit who is also called the Comforter helps us to pray effectively. Rom 8:14 "For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the children of God."

We believe in the Holy Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. They are the cause and witness of our salvation. They are in unity and concern for our struggles in the Christian life. They are united to help the struggling child of God to survive in this cruel world. They want our victory as much as we do. They are One in unity.

**C RECORD OF GOD'S WORD vv10,11**

There is an inner witness of our salvation. God has made our conscience sensitive to His presence and work in our life. For example since we became Christians we love to pray and desire to read the Bible. We want to worship God as commanded by Scripture and have fellowship with the brethren. These changes are perceptible and they are marks of a Christian.

This then is the historical criteria. God assures us victory through His Word. The written record of God's Word assures us of our salvation, of answered prayers and now of victory. We overcome through His Word. 1 Cor 10:13. Ps 119:9.

*Rev Patrick Tan*

**FOOD FOR THOUGHT:**

1 What are some common temptations that come your way as you try to live for Christ? What did you do about those temptations?

2 Are you successful in keeping the 10 commandments? What are some of your problems?

3 Do you believe in the deity of Christ, i.e. Jesus is the Son of God. Have you any doubts about the claim of Jesus to be God?

4 Do you believe in the Holy Trinity? It is not easy to explain the Trinity in human terms, but can you explain their work in our lives?

5 How can you use God's Word to overcome temptations? Try the following Bible verses: Rom 13:14; 2 Tim 2:22.



**Read the Bible in A Year**

Calendar of Daily readings for April 2006:

<u>Day</u>	<u>Family</u>	<u>Private</u>
1	Lev 4	Psa 1,2 Prov 19 Col 2
2	Lev 5	Psa 3,4 Prov 20 Col 3
3	Lev 6	Psa 5,6 Prov 21 Col 4
4	Lev 7	Psa 7,8 Prov 22 1 Thes 1
5	Lev 8	Psa 9 Prov 23 1 Thes 2
6	Lev 9	Psa 10 Prov 24 1 Thes 3
7	Lev 10	Psa 11,12 Prov 25 1 Thes 4
8	Lev 11,12	Psa 13,14 Prov 26 1 Thes 5
9	Lev 13	Psa 15,16 Prov 27 2 Thes 1
10	Lev 14	Psa 17 Prov 28 2 Thes 2
11	Lev 15	Psa 18 Prov 29 2 Thes 3
12	Lev 16	Psa 19 Prov 30 1 Tim 1
13	Lev 17	Psa 20,21 Prov 31 1 Tim 2
14	Lev 18	Psa 22 Eccl 1 1 Tim 3
15	Lev 19	Psa 23,24 Eccl 2 1 Tim 4
16	Lev 20	Psa 25 Eccl 3 1 Tim 5
17	Lev 21	Psa 26,27 Eccl 4 1 Tim 6
18	Lev 22	Psa 28,29 Eccl 5 2 Tim 1
19	Lev 23	Psa 30 Eccl 6 2 Tim 2
20	Lev 24	Psa 31 Eccl 7 2 Tim 3
21	Lev 25	Psa 32 Eccl 8 2 Tim 4
22	Lev 26	Psa 33 Eccl 9 Tit 1
23	Lev 27	Psa 34 Eccl 10 Tit 2
24	Num 1	Psa 35 Eccl 11 Tit 3
25	Num 2	Psa 36 Eccl 12 Phile
26	Num 3	Psa 37 Song 1 Heb 1
27	Num 4	Psa 38 Song 2 Heb 2
28	Num 5	Psa 39 Song 3 Heb 3
29	Num 6	Psa 40,41 Song 4 Heb 4
30	Num 7	Psa 42,43 Song 5 Heb 5

# The Christian's Daily Remembrancer

by Ps. James Smith

23 April 2006

## “Have faith in God” Mark 11:22

“WITHOUT FAITH IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO PLEASE HIM.” Our God Has spoken. His Word is truth: believe it, plead it, expect the fulfilment of it. He cannot deceive you. His ear is open to you. Try Him. What do you want? Why do you want it? If you really need, if your motives are good, plead with God for it; expect Him to bestow it; and receive it as coming from Him. In every trial, for all you need, have faith in God. He will be gracious unto you. He is ever with you. He is ready to help you. He rejoices over you to do you good. His word is true from the beginning. He is the faithful God. He keepeth covenant and mercy. Believe in God for all that your circumstances require. Patiently wait His time for your supplies. Never stop praying or expecting because He delays: never doubt Him but trust in Him with all your heart. He is God, thy God; He is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that you ask or think. This is thy direction, thy duty, thy privilege: have faith in God. Walk with God, talk with God, expect from God, do all for God, be entirely devoted to God. “Casting all your care upon Him; for He careth for you.” Therefore will I look unto the Lord.

Begone, unbelief! My Saviour is near,

And for my relief He'll surely appear:

By prayer let me wrestle that He will perform;

With Christ in the vessel, I smile at the storm.

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Trusting in our Redeemer's blood,

Now let our souls draw near to God,

Upon the mercy seat;

Boldly into the holiest come,

And feel ourselves with God at home,

Where truth and mercy meet.

# In Green Pastures Devotional Readings for Every Day of the Year

By J.R. Miller, D.D.

23 April 2006

## MORNING

**PROVERBS 3:12** “For whom the LORD loveth he correcteth; even as a father the son in whom he delighteth.”

WE are apt to put it just the other way. “My father does not love me, or he would not be so severe with me,” a boy says. Then he points to another boy whose father lets his son do as he pleases, and never restrains or corrects him. “That father loves his boy, and is always kind to him,” he says.

So it may seem just at the time. But to be left without discipline, to have no chastening, no correction, no restraining or withholding, is not proof of love. A father who does this with his son is letting him go to destruction unhindered. The one who corrects and chastens is intent on saving his son. Chastening is, therefore, a proof of love. God chastens us because He wants to save us and make something of us.

It should be a comfort to us to know, when we have trials or afflictions, that instead of being a proof that God does not love us, it is just the reverse—a new assurance of our heavenly Father's tender affection and deep interest in us.

## EVENING

### CHRISTIAN HISTORY

CHRISTIAN history is one of the best evidences of the deity of Christ. No mere man could touch the world's life as Jesus Christ has touched it. It is nothing less than the energy of God working in men's hearts that has produced the marvellous results which we see wherever the gospel has gone. Men's bodies may not now be instantaneously healed by a divine touch, but men's moral lives are transformed by the same divine touch as in the old miracles of gospel days. Nations are lifted up into purity, justice, truth, freedom, and righteousness. Are not these great moral and spiritual miracles as wonderful attestations of the divine mission of Christ as the physical miracles that marked the days of the incarnation?

**WELCOME TO NEW LIFE B-P CHURCH LONDON**  
**CHURCH THEME: STRIVING TO LIVE ABOVE OUR SPIRITUAL BLESSINGS**  
**IN CHRIST (Ephesians 1:3)**

Our **worship services** begin promptly at **11.00 am and 4.00 pm.**

Please stay back for Bible Study and fellowship lunch after the morning worship and for tea after the evening service. Invite your friends to come to Church.

| Worship Services                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                  |                                                                       | WELCOME                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
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| <i>Chairman:</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Mok Chee Cheong                                  | Seetoh Yoong Chiang                                                   | <p style="text-align: center;">NEWS/ANNOUNCEMENTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Evening Service:</b> Westminster Larger Catechism (WLC)</li> <li><b>This week:</b></li> <li><b>Q84: Shall all men die?</b></li> <li><b>Q85: Death, being the wages of sin, why are not the righteous delivered from death, seeing all their sins are forgiven in Christ?</b></li> <li><b>Q86: What is the communion in glory with Christ, which the members of the invisible church enjoy immediately after death?</b></li> <li><i>Next week:</i></li> <li><b>Q87: What are we to believe concerning the resurrection?</b></li> <li><b>Q88: What shall immediately follow after the resurrection?</b></li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;">Do stay back and find out the answers from the Word of God.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary preparations:</b> This will take place on Jun 25. For those interested in helping out, please see Mok or Jonathan.</li> <li>• <b>Book Sales:</b> All books displayed on the book table are ½ price off.</li> <li>• <b>Prayer Meetings:</b> Please purpose in your heart to come every Wednesday and Saturday for a time of corporate prayer and bible study. Prayer is the spiritual power house of the church. We need more prayer warriors like you.</li> <li>• <b>Easter Camp:</b> Thank God for a blessed and fruitful camp. Also, thanks for those who have contributed to the success of the camp.</li> </ul> |
| <i>Speaker:</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Rev Kenneth Harris                               | Mok Chee Cheong                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
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| <i>Text:</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Matthew 27:46                                    | John 7:25-53                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
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| <i>Chairman:</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Lim Ming Yann                                    | Anthony Poh                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <i>Speaker:</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Mok Chee Cheong                                  | Mok Chee Cheong                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <i>Message:</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Effect of Christ on Death<br>WLC Questions 84-86 | The Resurrection<br>WLC Questions 87-88                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <i>Pianist:</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Yanning                                          | Feng Qian                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
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| <i>Ushers</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Ming Yann/Wah Soon                               | Anthony/Jeff                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <i>Sunday Sch:</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Yanning                                          | Carol                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <i>Singspirat'n:</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Yoong Chiang/Anthony                             | Ming Yann/Feng Qian                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <i>Lunch:</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Maureen                                          | Constance                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <i>Washing-up:</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Prema/Yetta                                      | YAF Group 1                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <i>Bible Study:</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | DHW – Genesis 21                                 | DHW – Genesis 22                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Appointments of the Week                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                  |                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Wed 26 Apr                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 7:30 pm                                          | <b>Mid Week Prayer Meeting:</b><br>C'man: Mok                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Fri 28 Apr                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 7.00 pm                                          | <b>Young Adults Fellowship:</b><br>Led by Anthony                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Sat 29 Apr                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 4.00 pm                                          | <b>Prayer Meeting &amp; Bible Study:</b><br>Spkr/C'man: Lim Ming Yann |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Last Week's Worship Service Collections                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                  |                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Offering:</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | £288.56                                          | <b>Book Sales:</b> £1.50                                              | <b>Renovation:</b> £250.00                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| The Shorter Catechism                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                  |                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Q.96 What is the Lord's Supper?</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                  |                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <p>Ans: The Lord's Supper is a sacrament, wherein by giving and receiving bread and wine, according to Christ's appointment, His DEATH is showed forth; and the worthy receivers are, - not after a corporal and carnal manner, - but by faith made partakers of His body and blood, with all His benefits, to their spiritual nourishment and growth in grace.</p> <p><i>Comments: The Lord's Supper is so called because it is a feast instituted by our Lord Jesus Christ. It is likewise called the Communion. The outward act in it is eating bread and drinking wine, according to Christ's appointment; and the inward meaning of it is the sacrifice of Christ – the broken bread telling of His broken body, and the poured-out wine telling of His shed blood. In itself it is of no value whatsoever, but when received in faith it quickens our love to God, deepens our faith in Christ, and promotes the welfare of our souls. The Roman Catholic Church teaches that the bread in the Communion is changed into the actual flesh of our Lord; but this is an error. We can only receive Christ by faith.</i></p> |                                                  |                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |