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

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LORD’S DAY 27 FEBRUARY 2011

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Morning Service – 11am

Evening Service – 4pm

Prelude

The Lord Is in His Holy Temple

Call to Worship

Psalm 145:1-5

Psalm 145:10-13

*Opening Hymn **

RHC 226 – “The Lord is King!”

RHC 229 – “Thy Kingdom Come, O God”

*Opening Prayer **

Jonathan Kim

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*Gloria Patri **

Glory Be to the Father

Responsive Reading

Psalm 60

Exodus 19:1-24

*Second Hymn **

Psalm 60 verses 1-2, 4-5
(to the tune of Evan, RHC 379)

RHC 259 – “Lamp of Our Feet”

Announcements & Memory Verse

Jonathan Kim

Jonathan Kim

*Tithes & Offerings & Doxology **

RHC 380 – “Close to Thee”

Scriptural Text

Matthew 9:27-34

Exodus 24:1-18

Pastoral Prayer

Rev Timothy Ki

Rev Timothy Ki

Sermon Message

Jesus the Restorer

The Rule by God

*Closing Hymn **

RHC 278 – “Look to the Lamb of God”

Insert – “How I Love Thy Law, O Lord”

*Benediction / 3-Fold Amen **

Rev Timothy Ki

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Postlude

The Lord Bless You

RHC 80 (stanzas 1 & 5)

* Congregation Stands

THE LORD IS IN HIS HOLY TEMPLE

The Lord is in His holy temple,
The Lord is in His holy temple:
Let all the earth keep silence,
Let all the earth keep silence before Him -
Keep silence, keep silence before Him. Amen.

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, Amen.

THE LORD BLESS YOU

The Lord bless you and keep you;
The Lord lift His countenance upon you,
and give you peace, and give you peace;
The Lord make His face to shine upon you,
And be gracious unto you, be gracious,
The Lord be gracious, gracious unto you. Amen.

Church Theme 2011 – “Continue in the Word” – 2 Timothy 3:14

BIBLICAL PRAYER – PART 16

At this point, I think it will be an edifying experience to study about times and occasions when Jesus prayed in the Gospel. (1) Jesus prayed when He was baptized. Luke 3:21, "Now when all the people were baptized, it came to pass, that Jesus also being baptized, and praying, the heaven was opened." This baptism has roused many curious minds about the nature of this baptism. If John's baptism was a baptism of repentance, why did Jesus go to him and get baptized? It is not easy to answer this question. However, there may be some things we need to consider. (a) Jesus did not have to die because He was innocent. He could not be killed unless He laid His life down voluntarily. It was not impossible that Jesus died because He was sinless, and death is the wage of sin. But the fact is that Jesus died. And we all know that it was His vicarious death. It implies that it is possible that His baptism was for us too. According to R. L. Dabney, Turretin said that Jesus took baptism vicariously. What it simply implies is that His baptism does not lead us to a conclusion that He had something to repent. (b) Right from the beginning, Jesus was known to be the lamb of God. In fact, the same John who baptized Jesus testified it in John 1:29. John 1:33 says, "And I knew him not: but he that sent me to baptize with water, the same said unto me, Upon whom thou shalt see the Spirit descending, and remaining on him, the same is he which baptizeth with the Holy Ghost." John 1:29 means that Jesus was the One who bore the sins of His people vicariously. Jesus is the One who takes our sins away. (c) Therefore, we may say that his baptism was for His people. It becomes clear by seeing what happened afterwards. The Holy Spirit came down on Him. A new era had dawned. It also indicates that His baptism was a public inauguration of His ministry. During this important event, Jesus was praying.

(2) Jesus prayed early in the morning at a quiet place. On the previous day, He was busy with His ministry. It appears that the pattern of the Lord's spiritual life was quite different from ours. If we had been busy in the ministry, on the following day we would want more rest. However, Jesus did not stop His early morning devotions to the Father. It is also an indication that He prepared a new day with prayers. Mark 1:35, "And in the morning, rising up a great while before day, he went out, and departed into a solitary place, and there prayed." (3) Jesus spent a whole night praying before He chose His disciples. Luke 6:12, "And it came to pass in those days, that he went out into a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God." (4) Jesus prayed before He fed 5,000 people with five barley loaves and two small fishes. In this case, prayer was in the form of giving thanks. John 6:11, "And Jesus took the loaves; and when he had given thanks, he distributed to the disciples, and the disciples to them that were set down; and likewise of the fishes as much as they would." Matthew, Mark, and Luke said that the Lord looked up to heaven and blessed. Jesus also gave thanks over the bread and the cup at the Lord's Supper. It is worth noting that the Gospel of Luke has more passages about the Lord's prayer life than any other Gospels. (5) Jesus prayed after He fed 5,000 people and before He walked on water. Matthew 14:23, "And when he had sent the multitudes away, he went up into a mountain apart to pray: and when the evening was come, he was there alone." (6) Jesus prayed before He asked His disciples about the views the people had of Him. Luke 9:18, "And it came to pass, as he was alone praying, his disciples were with him: and he asked them, saying, Whom say the people that I am?" We cannot see that Jesus asked such question to know of His popularity amongst people. Eventually, this question led Him to ask His own disciples about their views of Him in 9:20, which brought forth a confession of true faith from Peter. After this, He told them about His upcoming death and resurrection. (7) Jesus prayed when He was transfigured. Interestingly, Matthew and Mark do not mention His prayer, but Luke says in Luke 9:28-29, "And it came to pass about an eight days after these sayings, he took Peter and John and James, and went up into a mountain to pray. ²⁹ And as he prayed, the fashion of his countenance was altered, and his raiment was white and glistening."

(8) Jesus' prayer motivated His disciples to pray. Luke 11:1, "And it came to pass, that, as he was praying in a certain place, when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples." (9) Jesus prayed when parents asked Him to pray for their children. Matthew 19:13-15, "Then were there brought unto him little children, that he should put *his* hands on them, and pray: and the disciples rebuked them. ¹⁴ But Jesus said, Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven. ¹⁵ And he laid *his* hands on them, and departed thence." (10) Jesus prayed for Peter not to fail. Luke 22:32, "But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren." (11) Jesus could have prayed for His rescue from the hands of His enemies, but He did not make such prayers to the Father. Matthew 26:53, "Thinkest thou that I cannot now pray to my Father, and he shall presently give me more than twelve legions of angels?" It indicates that in his prayer life, submission to the Father was always in the priority. His prayer was to fulfill the will of the Father.

There are also a few passages in which we find the actual words of Jesus' prayers. (1) The foremost famous one is obviously the Lord's Prayer we find from Matthew 6:9-13. (2) Jesus thanked the Father in His prayer. Jesus responded to the rejections of people in various cities. He spoke of the consequences of their rejections of Him, which would be the final judgment. Then, He prayed to the Father in Matthew 11:25-27, "At that time Jesus answered and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes. ²⁶ Even so, Father: for so it seemed good in thy sight. ²⁷ All things are delivered unto me of my Father: and no man knoweth the Son, but the Father; neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and *he* to whomsoever the Son will reveal *him*." It was a prayer about God's sovereign grace over individuals for their salvation. This prayer is well reflected in Paul's prayers in Ephesians 1. (3) When a deaf man with a speech impediment was brought to Him, Jesus put His finger into his ears, spit and touched his tongue. Then He looked up to heaven and said, Ephphatha, which means "be opened." Ephphatha was His prayer. It was not a long prayer, but effective prayer. Mark 7:34, "And looking up to heaven, he sighed, and saith unto him, Ephphatha, that is, Be opened." (4) Jesus prayed before Lazarus' tomb. John 11:41-42, "Then they took away the stone *from the place* where the dead was laid. And Jesus lifted up *his* eyes, and said, Father, I thank thee that thou hast heard me. ⁴² And I knew that thou hearest me always: but because of the people which stand by I said *it*, that they may believe that thou hast sent me." His prayer was almost evangelistic. He wanted the answer to His prayer would provide an opportunity to the unbelievers to believe. (5) We should not miss His great prayer in John 17. (6) Jesus prayed just before He was arrested in the Garden of Gethsemane. Matthew 26:39, "And he went a little further, and fell on his face, and prayed, saying, O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou *wilt*." Matthew 26:42, "He went away again the second time, and prayed, saying, O my Father, if this cup may not pass away from me, except I drink it, thy will be done." (7) Lastly, Jesus prayed on the cross. Matthew 27:46, "And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is to say, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?" Luke 23:34, "Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do. And they parted his raiment, and cast lots." Luke 23:46, "And when Jesus had cried with a loud voice, he said, Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit: and having said thus, he gave up the ghost."

Lovingly,

Your Pastor

WELCOME TO NEW LIFE B-P CHURCH LONDON

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. Do invite your friends to come to Church.

APPOINTMENTS FOR THE WEEK			WELCOME
Fri 04 March	7:30pm	Young Adults Fellowship Bible Study on Philippians	We extend a warm welcome to all worshippers this Lord's Day. We like to welcome Belenda, Simon Tut & Family, Ellser Chan & Family to our worship services last Lord's Day.
Sat 05 March	4:00pm	Prayer Meeting & Bible Study Study on Shorter Catechism	
<i>Next Lord's Day</i>	<i>Morning Service</i>	<i>Evening Service</i>	LORD'S DAY DUTIES
<i>Preacher</i>	Dr Stephen Scott-Pearson	Dr Stephen Scott-Pearson	TODAY: 27/02/2011
<i>Message</i>	Samson's Great Prayer	Casting All Your Care	Chairman: Jonathan Organist: Anthony Pianist: Joy Ushers: Daniel / Constance Sunday School: Jonathan / Joy Lunch: Mrs Ki Washing Up: Volunteers PA Crew: Jonathan
<i>Text</i>	Judges 16:28	1 Peter 5:7	NEXT WEEK: 06/03/2011
NEWS/ANNOUNCEMENTS			Chairman: Joey Organist: Anthony Pianist: Joy Ushers: Daniel / Evelyn Sunday School: Jonathan / Joy Lunch: Maureen Washing Up: Volunteers PA Crew: Jonathan
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ladies Fellowship: Ladies Fellowship will take place after lunch today. Please see Mrs Ki for more information. • Sunday Pre-Lunch Bible Study: Pastor Ki will continue the series of studies on "<i>The Doctrine of the Church.</i>" • Basic Bible Knowledge: Pastor Ki will continue the BBK course next week after lunch at the manse. • Saturday Prayer Meeting & Bible Study: Come and join us to pray and to study God's Word. • Pray for those who are sick: Douglas, Barbara, Prema, Eld Ford, Lydia, Margaret, May Chew, Brian, Samuel, Mrs Ki • Pray for those who are/will be on travel: Barbara, Eld George & May Chew, Joey & Family, Margaret • Easter Camp 2011 (22/4 to 25/4): Please take note of the dates for the camp. The camp speaker is Pastor John Sherwood. More information will be provided later. 			
Worship Service Collections - Last Sunday: £513.53, Lunch: £65.05 Attendance - Morning: 39 (A) 7 (C), Evening: 14 (A)			MEMORY VERSE
SHORTER CATECHISM QUESTION 61			Last Week
Q: What is forbidden in the Fourth Commandment? A: The Fourth Commandment forbiddeth the <u>omission or careless performance</u> of the duties required, and the profaning the day by <u>idleness</u>, or doing that which is in itself <u>sinful</u>, or by <u>unnecessary thoughts, words, or works</u>, about our <u>worldly employments or recreations</u>.			"Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?" Romans 8:35
Comments: This commandment forbids: 1. The omission of Sabbath duties; 2. The careless discharge of them; 3. Being idle; 4. Committing sin; 5. Being engaged, without proper reason, in worldly matters.			This Week "As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter." Romans 8:36
Scriptural Reference: Isaiah 58:13, 14; Malachi 1:13			Next Week "Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us." Romans 8:37