



# 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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### ORDER OF WORSHIP

#### *Morning Service – 11am*

#### *Evening Service – 4pm*

*Prelude*

*The Lord Is in His Holy Temple*

*Call to Worship*

Psalm 18:1-3

Psalm 34:1-3

*Opening Hymn \**

RHC 37 – *"Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven"*

RHC 15 – *"How Shall I Sing That Majesty"*

*Opening Prayer \**

Peter Koy

John Poh

*Gloria Patri \**

*Glory Be to the Father*

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*Responsive Reading*

Psalm 3

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*Second Hymn \**

*Psalm 3 verses 1-6*  
(to the tune of Manoah, RHC 201)

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*Announcements & Memory Verse*

Peter Koy

John Poh

*Tithes & Offerings & Doxology \**

RHC 359 – *"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"*

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*Scriptural Text*

1 Samuel 1:1-2:11

John 18:12-14, Matthew 26:57-68

*Pastoral Prayer*

Dr Carl Martin

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*Sermon Message*

*Mothers, People of Destiny*

*On Trial, Jesus before the Priests*

*Closing Hymn \**

RHC 245 – *"Channels Only"*

RHC 193 – *"'Tis Midnight and on Olive's Brow"*

*Benediction/3-Fold*

Dr Carl Martin

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*Amen \**

*Postlude*

*The Lord Bless You*

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\* 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.

*"Growing in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ" - 2 Peter 3:18*

# A LIFE CHANGING ENCOUNTER WITH JEHOVAH

Adapted from Maranatha Messenger - 22nd November 2015

## *Isaiah 6:1-8*

### Introduction

This is an amazing account of a man who is totally transformed by his meeting or encounter with his God. Isaiah is an important prophet of the Old Testament and this is about 740BC and Isaiah lived during the reign of 5 kings. After the death of King Uzziah, Isaiah was affected by the death of the good king, Uzziah. As a good king had reigned for more than 5 decades . His death ended of a time of growth and power for Israel. For Isaiah and the entire nation, it ushered in a time of uncertainty, and doubt. For Isaiah, this is to be a time of the rediscovery of God. Isaiah had his attention focused only on Uzziah, but now that Uzziah was dead, his attention was rightly redirected back to the Lord. Are you distracted by something or someone that God has to remove first before you will focus on God? Is it your work, games, studies, handphone distractions, internet, social media(face book ,twitter )movies, social media, wealth, friends, pets or plants or what? Isaiah had a fresh encounter with God and he has to say no to something he liked . There are practical lessons to be learnt. Consider the following:

#### I. Verse 1-4 A SOBER SIGHT OF ALMIGHTY GOD

- A. Verse 1 **He witnessed God's exalted Place** - Isaiah saw God in His excellent sovereignty and majesty. An earthly king may have died, but the eternal Lord still reigned above. He saw the Lord in all His magnificent glory and it had a profound impact on the life of Isaiah. We need to remember just Who is in control of this Uzziah and their lives! Do you have this clear perspective of who God is today and what He wants to do with you? Something to pray and think about.
- B. Verse 2-3 **He witnessed God's excellent Power** - The angelic beings in the temple proclaimed the thrice holy nature of the God of Heaven. Those angelic obeyed, were careful to honour the holiness and purity of the Lord. they were created to proclaim the majestic glory of the Lord! Isaiah learnt the Lord was a thrice holy God and He alone deserved our attention and the glory! Our duty before the Lord is to glorify. Are we set apart for Him and consecrated and sanctified? (**1 Corinthians 10:31**) Isaiah learned that it was not about Uzziah or him but it is all about His mighty God! He, and He alone deserves to be in the place of honour in our lives (**James 1:17**). Give yourself and let God be authorized in our hearts.
- C. Verse 4 **He witnessed God's exciting Providence** - The ***“house was filled with smoke”***. This was a symbol of the somber presence of God and God's ***“train”*** filled the temple! God was the central figure in the whole Temple and he was exalted! Isaiah was reminded, that king Uzziah, a good human monarch was dead, but the real eternal King of glory was there! He had not leave nor forsake us, but the eternal Lord was still with us always (Hebrews 13:5). Are we conscious of the presence of God daily with us and it should affect the way we behave and conduct ourselves forever (**Matthew 28:20; Hebrews 13:5**).

## II. Verse 5-7 A SERIOUS SENSE OF SINFULNESS

- A. Verse 5 He Sensed His Own depraved Condition - When Isaiah saw the Lord, he instantly realized his own depraved heart. Are you conscious of your own depravity and God's holiness? That is what happens when you get close to Him! He, reveals the depravity and sinfulness of sin in our own lives. He saw the Lord in His glory and holiness and he was made aware of his own shortcomings! Until we see God and are confronted with our own sinful condition before Him, we will remain haughty and proud, but when we come face to face with Who He is and what we really are, it will produce sincere humility and the true confession of sins! We need to see our own failures and our need for evangelical repentance of sins before the Lord, we need to come clean with the Lord about our own condition, and we will seek the revival of our hearts! We need to realise our depraved and fallen condition and seek the Lord for the full searching and cleansing of our hearts daily (Psalm 6:6-18).
- B. Verse 6-7 He Sensed His Own desirable Change - the Lord does not just expose our sins, He also provides a means for our cleansing with His blood! That is why He died on the cross for us with Isaiah, it was an angel with a coal from the altar. It symbolises the precious blood of Jesus that cleanse and purge us from all our sins (**1 John 1:7-9**)! We need to see Him as He is and we see ourselves as we are, then we will come before Him in humility and confess and repent our sins. The closer you get to Him, you will realize our waywardness and sinfulness, and we deal with it in repentance before the Lord, we will need His cleansing of our hearts to be able to stand in His holy presence.

## III. Verse 8 A SOLID CONSCIENCE AND CALLING

- A. We are to be Ready - Isaiah was totally washed and cleansed, and now he is ready and he hears the call of the Lord to full time service. God will not use a defiled vessel. And said "**Here am I**", send me. He was saying, "We need to submit, surrender and sacrifice to God today (**Romans 12:1-2**). Isaiah said to the Lord and that he is available to serve Him and he did not give any excuses, no, if or buts. He said **Send me (not send him) and I am willing to what you want me to do!** Like a faithful SAF soldier, let us be ready and available to the Lord and be willing to do and that He will use you for His glory. Remember the acrostic FATS that we need to develop in our lives – Faithful, Available, Teachable and Stickable and let have FATS. Let us be alert and disciplined and ready for the Lord's use (1 Peter 3:15).

## Conclusion

This a good example of a life changed by God forever. There was confrontation, confession commission and conviction by God. Isaiah saw, and sensed and he was totally changed! A focused and clean heart is what we need today. Will you turn away from the world of distractions and turn to Him today and be saved and be revived? Those who have sinned and backslided now is the time to return to Him for His mercy and grace endures forever. Have you been there before and do you need to pray as the Lord leads to be transformed by His grace? Pray about what the Lord will have you to do for Him with your life today and do something about it for the Lord before it is too late. DIN or Delay It Not!

*Rev Jack Sin*

# 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  |
|---|------------------------------|--|--|
| Weds 9th Mar  | 7pm                          | <b>Mid-Week Outreach Bible Study</b>                                   | We extend a warm welcome to all worshippers this Lord's Day. We do hope that you have a blessed time of worship on this day.   |
| Sat 12th Mar  | 4pm                          | <b>Bible Study &amp; Prayer Meeting</b><br>Study of Calvin's Institute |  |
| Next Lord's Day   | Morning Service              | Evening Service  | LORD'S DAY DUTIES  |
| <b>Preacher</b>   | Dr Carl Martin               | Dr Carl Martin   | <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>TODAY: 06/03/2016</u></b></p> <p><b>Chairman:</b> Peter / John<br/> <b>Organist:</b> Anthony<br/> <b>Pianist:</b> Michael<br/> <b>Ushers:</b> Tom / Evelyn<br/> <b>Sunday School:</b> Rachael / Keene / Hannah<br/> <b>Lunch:</b> Hannah<br/> <b>Washing Up:</b> Volunteers<br/> <b>PA Crew:</b> Scott</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>NEXT WEEK: 13/03/2016</u></b></p> <p><b>Chairman:</b> Jonathan<br/> <b>Organist:</b> Anthony<br/> <b>Pianist:</b> Matthew<br/> <b>Ushers:</b> Joel / Yetta<br/> <b>Sunday School:</b> Rachael / Keene / Hannah<br/> <b>Lunch:</b> Nina<br/> <b>Washing Up:</b> Volunteers<br/> <b>PA Crew:</b> Josias</p> |
| <b>Message</b>  | The Help of Christian Living | Following Jesus at a "Safe" Distance                                   |  |
| <b>Text</b>   | Titus 2:11-12                | John 18:15-18  |  |
| NEWS/ANNOUNCEMENTS  |                              |  |  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Pre-lunch Bible Study:</b> This week, Dr Martin will continue with the study on "Building Firm Foundations".</li> <li>• <b>Pray for those who are sick:</b> Douglas, Barbara, Prema, Margaret, May Chew, Constance, Deborah, Pastor &amp; Mrs Ki, Dr Carl Martin, Dr Scott-Pearson, Dr David Allen, Nina, Helen, Eld Chew's mother, Shirley, Daniel, Dr Tow, Matthew, Jonathan's father, Meredith, Toby, Ellie, Odelia, Anthony, Bethany.</li> <li>• <b>Pray for those seeking employment:</b> Yetta, Nana, Keene.</li> <li>• <b>Pray for those on travels this week:</b> Margaret, Prema, Jiak Eng, Constance.</li> <li>• <b>Pulpit Ministry:</b> Pray for Dr Martin as he serves as the minister and as he continues his PhD studies.</li> <li>• <b>Lord's Supper:</b> We will be observing the Lord's Supper next week. Please come with hearts prepared.</li> <li>• <b>Saturday Bible Study:</b> Dr Martin will be starting a series on Calvin's Institute. Books can be purchased from John or Jonathan for £7.</li> <li>• <b>Psalter:</b> Hannah is organising the purchase of a Psalter with music scores, please speak to her if you wish to purchase one - they are £15 each.</li> <li>• <b>The Task Force wishes all mothers a "Blessed Mother's Day".</b></li> </ul> |                              |  |  |
| <p><b>Worship Service Collections</b> – Last Sunday: £942.01, Lunch: £46.00<br/> <b>Attendance</b> - Morning: 30 (A) 12 (C), Evening: 15 (A) 2 (C)</p>  |                              |  |  |

## SHORTER CATECHISM QUESTION 4

**Q: What is God?**

*A: God is a spirit – infinite, eternal, and unchangeable – in his being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness, and truth.*

Comments:

The first thing we are here told concerning God is, that he has no *body* as we have. The second thing is, that he is not limited like us by want of power, affected by time, or subject to change. And the third thing is, that in character he is wise, and holy, and just, and good, and true. This is *our* God – the greatest of all beings, and the best.

Scriptural Reference:

John 4:24, Job 11:7, Daniel 4:35, Psalm 90:2, Psalm 102:26, 27

## MEMORY VERSE

| Last Week   | This Week  | Next Week   |
|---|--|---|
| <p><i>"He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength."</i></p> <p><b>Isaiah 40:29</b></p> | <p><i>"Salvation belongeth unto the Lord: thy blessing is upon thy people."</i></p> <p><b>Psalms 3:8</b></p> | <p><i>"All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out."</i></p> <p><b>John 6:37</b></p> |