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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 20 NOVEMBER 2016

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Morning Service – 11am

Evening Service – 4pm

Prelude

The Lord Is in His Holy Temple

Call to Worship

Psalm 9:1-2

Philippians 2:5-11

*Opening Hymn **

RHC 17 – *"Begin, My Tongue,
Some Heavenly Theme"*

RHC 62 – *"All Glory to Jesus"*

*Opening Prayer **

Jonathan Kim

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*Gloria Patri **

Glory Be to the Father

*Christology Creed **

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Responsive Reading

Psalm 39

*Second Hymn **

Psalm 39 verses 1-4, 7-8
(to the tune of Martyrdom, RHC 38)

*Announcements &
Memory Verse*

Jonathan Kim

Jonathan Kim

*Tithes & Offerings &
Doxology **

RHC 352 – *"All the Way My
Savior Leads Me"*

Scriptural Text

Malachi 3:7

John 20:30-31

Pastoral Prayer

Dr Carl Martin

Dr Carl Martin

Sermon Message

Return to the Lord

Why John's Gospel was Written

*Closing Hymn **

RHC 561 – *"Come with Contrite
Hearts"*

RHC 267 – *"Only Trust Him"*

*Benediction/3-Fold
Amen **

Dr Carl Martin

Dr Carl Martin

Postlude

The Lord Bless You

* 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

TRAIN UP A CHILD

Adapted from New Life BP Church Singapore Weekly, Sunday 9th October 2016

“Proverbs 22:6 – Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.”

This verse from Solomon instructs us how to train a child according to God’s word. The Bible tells us that children are a reward from God (Ps 127:3). Therefore, it is appropriate that we seek God’s wisdom in training our children. Moses wrote almost 4000 years ago that we are to teach our children by talking about them when we sit at home, when we walk along the way, when we lie down and when we get up. (Deut 6:7).

First things first

The soul of a child is the first thing to be considered. These little ones are precious in our sight but nothing is so dear than that which will never die. “The heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat” (2 Pet 3:10) but whether the soul which dwells in the child will live in happiness or suffer in misery will depend on us. We are to train with this perspective in mind and this can only be done with knowledge of the Bible. We cannot make our children love the Bible and only the Holy Spirit can give us a heart that delights in the Word. But we can make sure that they are familiar with the Word of God. We are to instil in our children that a proper knowledge of the Word is the foundation of a right relationship with our Heavenly Father.

Train them to have the habit of obedience, faith and truth

Parents, if you want to see your children happy, then train them to obey. Teach them to obey while they are young, or else they will be protesting against God all their lives, thinking they are independent of His control. We are to train our children to be discerning and not blindly obey. This will take a lot of patience, wisdom and agonising in prayer for we ourselves are not perfect. I came across an interesting quote, “While we try to teach our children all about life, our children teach us what life is all about.” God, our Heavenly Father is also using them to teach us.

Next to obedience is the habit of faith. As parents, we have to train them to believe in what we instruct them from God’s word. Unbelief made Eve eat the forbidden fruit when she doubted God’s word, “thou shalt surely die.” Unbelief kept Israel in the wilderness for forty years. Our training of our child would be in vain if we do not train them to have implicit faith. Believing faith in obedience to God will serve to guide a child when he grows up for we were warned that we are living in perilous times during the last days (2 Tim 3:1-5).

Speaking the truth is far less common than we think. There is much falsehood and deceit in the world – half-truths, exaggerations, untruths, and blatant lies. The devil is the father of them and he deceived Eve by a bold lie. Christians know that they are to speak the truth. The challenge is when we are placed in situations where speaking the truth may hurt ourselves and others. Train our children to be truthful in whatever circumstances. Impress upon them that anything less than the truth is a lie.

Maintain an awareness of over indulgence and setting an example.

The Bible tells us that we have all sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. Children inherited this from Adam and we are told that "Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child." (Prov 22:15a). It is natural for parents to be tender and affectionate towards our own children. Sometimes this blinds us to their faults and weaknesses. Punishment and correction are difficult things to do and nothing is more unpleasant than giving pain to our children whom we love. Yet God's word says that "the rod of correction shall drive it far from him." (Prov 22:15b). It is clear that the Bible requires parents to discipline our children (Prov 3:12, Heb 12:6).

Instructions and training will mean nothing unless they are supported by authenticity in our lives. This is a real challenge as they see our ways and note our conduct.

Train with continual prayer

Our best effort will come to nothing without the blessing of the Lord. We will wear ourselves out unless God touches the hearts of our children. Matt 19:14 "But Jesus said, Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven." The Lord loves to be petitioned for our children. Therefore, approach this sacred work with unceasing prayer.

An old pastor, who was already in his mid-50s, once shared with me his family reunion dinner. His father had reached out to dish his son some delicacies. He said, "Father, I am already more than 50; I can take care of myself", to which the patriarch replied, "I am your father and you will always be my son". We will always be parents to our children. May The Lord help us as we train up our children in the way he should go.

This article is written after reading a sermon on training up a child in the way he should go, by J.C. Ryle who lived more than a century ago.

The message ([http://www.gracegems.org/SERMONS/The Duties of Parents.htm](http://www.gracegems.org/SERMONS/The_Duties_of_Parents.htm)) is still as relevant today for God's word is quick and powerful (Heb 4:12).

- Eld. Yap Chee Kian

The Word Made Flesh ***The Ligonier Statement on Christology***

We confess the mystery and wonder
of God made flesh
and rejoice in our great salvation
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

With the Father and the Holy Spirit,
the Son created all things,
sustains all things,
and makes all things new.
Truly God,
He became truly man,
two natures in one person.

He was born of the Virgin Mary
and lived among us.
Crucified, dead, and buried,
He rose on the third day,
ascended to heaven,
and will come again
in glory and judgment.

For us,

He kept the Law,
atoned for sin,
and satisfied God's wrath.
He took our filthy rags
and gave us
His righteous robe.

He is our Prophet, Priest, and King,
building His church,
interceding for us,
and reigning over all things.

Jesus Christ is Lord;
we praise His holy Name forever.

Amen.

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 23rd Nov 7pm Mid-Week Outreach Bible Study Sovereign Grace Advent Testimony Fri 25th Nov 7pm <i>Foreshadowings of the Antichrist - Goliath</i> Mr Richard Monteith Sat 26th Nov 4pm Bible Study & Prayer Meeting	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.

Next Lord's Day	Morning Service	Evening Service	LORD'S DAY DUTIES
Preacher Message Text	Dr Carl Martin Are you Robbing God? Malachi 3:8	Dr Carl Martin A New Chapter of Ministry John 21:1-3	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>TODAY: 20/11/2016</u></p> <p>Chairman: Jonathan Organist: Anthony Pianist: Matthew Ushers: Daniel / Yetta Sunday School: Hannah/Rachael Lunch: Nina Washing Up: Volunteers PA Crew: Keene</p>

NEWS/ANNOUNCEMENTS	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-lunch Bible Study: This week, Dr Martin will continue with the study on "Building Firm Foundations". • Basic Bible Knowledge Class, 3pm: Dr Martin will continue the series of studies aimed at those wishing to become church members. • Baptism instruction classes: Any who are interested in being baptised, we are scheduling a series of Baptismal classes in the coming weeks. Please speak to Dr Martin for more information. • Pulpit Ministry: Pray for Dr Martin as he serves as the minister and for the continuation of his PhD studies. • Church Maintenance Fund: The Church needs to undergo some significant repairs in the coming months; a Maintenance Fund has been set up for anyone wishing to offer a love gift to assist with the costs. 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>NEXT WEEK: 27/11/2016</u></p> <p>Chairman: John Organist: Anthony Pianist: Michael Ushers: Tom / Margaret Sunday School: No Sunday School Lunch: Maureen Washing Up: Volunteers PA Crew: Scott / Joel</p>
<p>Worship Service Collections – Last Sunday: £652.73, Lunch: £34.50 Church Maintenance Fund: £200 Attendance - Morning: 30 (A) 8 (C), Evening: 23 (A) 3 (C)</p>	

SHORTER CATECHISM QUESTION 41

Q: Where is the Moral Law summarily comprehended?

A: The Moral Law is summarily comprehended in THE TEN COMMANDMENTS.

Comments:

The Moral Law is the law which teaches us how we ought to think and act with regard to God and man. When God created man, he set this Moral Law in his heart, so that he knew his duty without a Bible. But when man sinned, this knowledge was partly lost, and God therefore had to give it anew. He gave it fully in the Bible, and briefly in the Ten Commandments.

Scriptural Reference:

Deuteronomy 10:4, Matthew 19:17

MEMORY VERSE

Last Week	This Week	Next Week
"Better is little with the fear of the Lord than great treasure and trouble therewith." Proverbs 15:16	"Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall." Proverbs 16:18	"I waited patiently for the Lord; and he inclined unto me, and heard my cry." Psalms 40:1