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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 MAY 2018

ORDER OF WORSHIP

	<i>Morning Service – 11am</i>	<i>Afternoon Service – 3pm</i>
<i>Prelude</i>	<i>The Lord Is in His Holy Temple</i>	
<i>Call to Worship</i>	Psalm 117	2 Timothy 1:8-10
<i>Opening Hymn *</i>	RHC 42 – “Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him”	RHC 55 – “Our Great Savior”
<i>Opening Prayer *</i>	Jonathan Kim	Jonathan Kim
<i>Gloria Patri *</i>	<i>Glory Be to the Father</i>	
<i>Responsive Reading</i>	Psalm 118	---
<i>Second Hymn *</i>	<i>Psalm 118 verses 24-29</i> (to the tune of Dundee, RHC 555)	---
<i>Announcements & Memory Verse</i>	Jonathan Kim	Jonathan Kim
<i>Tithes & Offerings & Doxology *</i>	RHC 558 – “We Plough the Fields”	---
<i>Scriptural Text</i>	1 Kings 18:22-37	Isaiah 55:1-13
<i>Pastoral Prayer</i>	Rev Mark Lehman	Rev Mark Lehman
<i>Sermon Message</i>	<i>The Infinite God</i>	<i>The Gospel in Isaiah</i>
<i>Closing Hymn *</i>	Insert – “Infinite God, to Thee We Raise”	RHC 57 – “Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee”
<i>Benediction/3-Fold Amen *</i>	Rev Mark Lehman	Rev Mark Lehman
<i>Postlude</i>	<i>The Lord Bless You</i>	

* 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.

ARE YOU WORTHY OF LOVE?

Adapted from New Life BPC Singapore Newline, Sunday 11th March 2018

Read an article about a prominent person and you probably will see this phrase “net worth”. It is used to measure how much a person is valued in monetary terms and usually those featured are people of high net worth. The society places these people on a pedestal for others to admire for they have “arrived”. Likewise, in the various forms of media, you can see beautiful women and handsome men selling and marketing all sorts of products. With Instagram, comes Instagram models with their millions of followers and they are ranked yearly on who has the most followers. By the world’s standard, if you achieve this, you will be “loved”.

Our culture is that of meritocracy, a common perception is that if you go to a good school, get good grades, you will be rewarded with a career because you are of good worth. Proving oneself to be of worth is certainly a driving factor in the increasing stress levels in the society these days. The students studying to get the best grades, the young men and women working to get the biggest promotions, the people working out and monitoring what they eat so that they look their best, the housewives trying to keep the idea of a perfect home, the middle-aged men going through midlife crisis, all of which are people trying to prove their worth, either to others or society according to the standards set in this world.

“So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them. And God saw every thing that he had made, and behold, it was very good.”
Gen 1: 27, 30a

Our intrinsic worth comes from God, being made in his image, for he declared it was very good. This worth does not change with how much a person can contribute to the society. All are beloved in God’s sight. With the fall of man, all have sinned and separated themselves from God. God, who is holy, did not abandon us but provided us with a way back to him.

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved” John 3:16, 17

God, by sending Jesus Christ to die on the cross for all our sins, showed how much he love us and how precious we are in his sight. God’s love for us is not based on our performance. We do not need to prove ourselves to cause God to love us any more than he already does. He loves us, even more than we love ourselves. Therefore, we need not worry about meeting the world’s standard for we are already of immense worth to God.

In this world, we probably experienced a lot of conditional love. Behave a certain way, perform well in your job or studies or look a certain way and then you are of worth and therefore “loved”. However, by opening our lives to Christ, we will find total love and acceptance.

“The Lord hath appeared of old unto me, saying, Yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee” Jeremiah 31:3

Accept God’s gift of everlasting love. Open your life to Christ, accept Him as your Lord and Saviour and you can experience this everlasting love for there is none like it.

- Dn Freddie Tan

INFINITE GOD, TO THEE WE RAISE

Words: Charles Wesley, Hymns for Ascension 1746.
Music: St Chrysostom, Joseph Barnby, 1872 (RHC Hymn 429)

Infinite God, to Thee we raise
Our hearts in solemn songs of praise,
By all Thy works on earth adored,
We worship Thee, the common Lord;
The everlasting Father own,
And bow our souls before Thy throne.

Thee all the choir of angels sings,
The Lord of hosts, the King of kings;
Cherubs proclaim Thy praise aloud,
And seraphs shout the triune God;
And, "Holy, holy, holy," cry,
"Thy glory fills both earth and sky!"

Father of endless majesty,
All might and love they render Thee;
Thy true and only Son adore,
The same in dignity and power;
And God the Holy Ghost declare,
The saints' eternal comforter.

WELCOME TO NEW LIFE B-P CHURCH LONDON

Our worship services begin promptly at **11.00 am** and **3.00 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 30th May	No Mid-Week Outreach Bible Study		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 2nd June	3pm	Bible Study & Prayer Meeting <i>Study on the book of Hosea</i>	
Next Lord's Day	Morning Service	Evening Service	LORD'S DAY DUTIES
Preacher	Rev Mark Lehman	Rev Mark Lehman	<u>TODAY: 27/05/2018</u> Chairman: Jonathan Organist: Anthony Pianist: Anthony Ushers: Daniel / Margaret Lunch: Helen Washing Up: Volunteers PA Crew: Scott / Venise <u>NEXT WEEK: 03/06/2018</u> Chairman: John Organist: Michael Pianist: Anthony Ushers: Daniel / Tom Lunch: Maureen Washing Up: Volunteers PA Crew: Scott / Venise
Message	TBC	TBC	
Text	TBC	TBC	
NEWS/ANNOUNCEMENTS			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sunday School: This afternoon at 1:45pm the church will be holding Sunday School for young children and toddlers, led by Sisters Elizabeth, Nina and Barbara. Please invite friends and family to attend. • Church Pulpit Ministry: Pray for the Pulpit Ministry and for the calling of a new minister. • Metropolitan Tabernacle School of Theology 2018: 3rd - 5th July 2018. Theme: "<i>Depth and Scope of God's Truth</i>". • Ladies Fellowship: This will be held after lunch this Lord's Day. 			
Worship Service Collections - Last Sunday: £543.40; Lunch: £39.20, Baalah - £20.00 Attendance - Morning: 30 (A) 7 (C), Evening: 16 (A) 6 (C)			Church Maintenance Fund Total: £4,230.50

SHORTER CATECHISM QUESTION 13

Q: Did our first parents continue in the estate wherein they were created?

A: Our first parents, being left to the freedom of their own will, fell from the estate wherein they were created, by sinning against God.

Comments:

Adam and Eve did not keep God's command. They sought to please themselves instead of seeking to please God, and so they fell from a state of innocence into a state of sin.

Scriptural Reference:

Deuteronomy 30:19, Genesis 3:6

MEMORY VERSE

Last Week	This Week	Next Week
<i>"Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness."</i> Isaiah 41:10	<i>"For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness."</i> Psalm 84:10	<i>"But thou, O Lord, art a God full of compassion, and gracious, long suffering, and plenteous in mercy and truth."</i> Psalm 86:15