

## NEW LIFE BIBLE-PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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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 NOVEMBER 2022

### **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Morning Service – 11am Afternoon Service – 3pm

Prelude The Lord Is in His Holy Temple

**Call to Worship** Psalm 97:1, 6, 9 & 11-12 Psalm 98:1-6

Opening Prayer Pr Mok Chee Cheong Pr Mok Chee Cheong

Opening Hymn \* RHC 86 – "Safely Through Another Week" RHC 100 – "He Lifted Me"

**Responsive Reading** Psalm 32 ---

Second Hymn \* Psalm 32 verses 12-18 (to the tune of No Other Plea, RHC 301)

Scriptural Text Zephaniah 2:4-7 1 Corinthians 15:58

Pastoral Prayer Pr Mok Chee Cheong Pr Mok Chee Cheong

Sermon Message A Declaration for Your Apprehension The Practical Outflow of the

Resurrection

Closing Hymn \* RHC 273 – "Jesus, I come"

RHC 352 – "All the Way My Saviour Leads Me"

Benediction/3-Fold

Amen \* Pr Mok Chee Cheong Pr Mok Chee Cheong

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.

### 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.

### **SHORTER CATECHISM QUESTION 36**

# Q: What are the benefits which in this life do accompany or flow from justification, adoption, and sanctification?

A: The benefits which in this life do accompany or flow from justification, adoption, and sanctification, are, <u>assurance of God's love</u>, <u>peace of conscience</u>, <u>joy in the Holy Ghost</u>, <u>increase of grace</u>, and perseverance therein to the end.

#### Comments:

Here are five blessings enumerated for us, which, in this life, necessarily either go along with or flow from the three just described. They who are justified, adopted, and are being sanctified, enjoy for that reason: 1. Confidence that God loves them; 2. Freedom from the sense of guilt and fear of condemnation; 3. Gladness of heart in feeling that the Holy Spirit is dwelling in them; 4. A greater and greater increase of spiritual endowment; 5. The power of persevering in the enjoyment of all these graces to the end.

### Scriptural Reference:

1 John 4:16, Romans 5:1-2, Romans 15:13, Philippians 1:6

# ARE YOU UNDERVALUING YOUR SOUL?

### An Undervalued Soul

There is no earthly way to put a value upon your soul. The Bible records in Mark's gospel that the Lord Jesus asked the timeless question, "What shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul" (Mark 8:36)?

This high value of your soul calls you to cease building your life on this world. Your soul is eternal; the world is temporary. Your soul will never die; this world will pass away. The Bible is very clear that the world's clock is ticking. The Father has set the hour when His Son shall come again into the world. Then, He will judge every soul and destroy this world by the power of His glory.

How foolish then, for men and women to exhaust themselves to gain more and more of this world. Multitudes of men and women risk their health and their very lives for the littlest bit of this world's riches. They feel that the only way they will be content is to possess a larger slice of this world. Not one man or woman on Forbes's list of richest people in the world are satisfied that they have enough. They cry out, give me more of this world.

Because your soul is eternal, no earthly value can be put upon it. Your soul will live beyond the timeframe of this world. When your clay body is laid to rest in the grave, your soul will not be dead. You will live on for all eternity.

In this account, the Lord has warned that all the money, all the gold and all the silver in this world cannot buy you eternal life, nor deliver your soul from a lost eternity in hell. Peter stated, "...Ye are not redeemed by corruptible things such as silver and gold... But with the precious blood of Christ..." (1Peter1:18-19). The Bible is clear that the Lord Jesus alone has the power to save your soul.

It was for precious never-dying souls that the Lord Jesus, the Son of God, came from heaven to earth. His very name, "Jesus", means Saviour. He became God incarnate, when He took our human nature into union with his Godhood. He became God and Man in one person by a supernatural conception in Mary's womb.

The Lord's supernatural birth led to His supernatural life. He fed the hungry thousands from a boy's lunch. He healed every sick person who ever came to Him. He raised Lazarus from the dead. He raised Jairus 'daughter and the Roman Centurion's son from the dead. Nicodemus, a Pharisee, rightly concluded, "For no man doeth thee miracles that thou doest, except God be with him" (John 3:2).

It was for precious never-dying souls that our Lord Jesus suffered and died on the cross of Calvary. When He voluntarily offered up Himself unto death as a sacrifice for sin, the Lord was on a mission to save souls. He took their place on the cross to shed His blood as an atoning sacrifice to free souls from the guilt of sin. Knowing that "the wages of sin wages is death" (Romans 6:23), He offered up His life to save sinners from eternal death.

Christians, therefore, trust in Christ as their Lord and Saviour to save their souls. They trust in Him for complete salvation. A Christian no longer places his or her future hope in the material things or fleshly pleasures of this world. From these verses in Mark's gospel we learn that Christians are willing to deny themselves of this world, no matter the personal cost. Their hope for full salvation is in the death of Christ, and nothing else.

Christians know that in eternity they will have Christ as their Saviour, and dwell in the blessedness of God Himself. For all these reasons Christians freely choose Christ over the world, even when they must deny themselves of worldly gain. You too must see to it that your soul is saved by believing on the Lord Jesus Christ as your Saviour. All the riches of this world cannot save your soul, but the Lord Jesus can, for He is rich in grace, rich in mercy and full of power to save sinners from death and hell. Call on the Lord Jesus Christ today asking Him to give you eternal life. That will give true value to your soul and work for your eternal gain.

Article is written by Pastor Ian Goligher (Retired — Cloverdale Free Presbyterian Church), dated Sunday, November 13, 2022

## WELCOME TO NEW LIFE B-P CHURCH LONDON

Our Lord's Day activities begins with the **Church Prayer Meeting** at **10:15 am** followed by the **Worship Services** at **11.00 am and 3.00 pm**. Do invite your friends to come to Church.

### **NEWS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Dear Worshippers, we extend a warm welcome to you this Lord's Day. We hope that you have a blessed time of worship with us today.

For those unable to attend Church in person, we are streaming our worship services online. To join our online services or for more information, please call the church manse, or email us at <a href="mailto:admin'at' newlifebpc.org.uk">admin'at' newlifebpc.org.uk</a>.

**Tithes & Offerings** – There will be an offering box at the entrance to the Church Sanctuary for you to place your offerings in.

Children's Sunday School – held after Morning Service at 1:30pm

**After-Service Fellowship** – Join us for lunch fellowship after the morning worship service. <u>Please bring your own lunch</u> as only drinks will be provided.

Help is needed to clean up the church premises on 11 & 18 December 2022 after lunch

Worship Service Collections: Last Sunday - £492.00, Maintenance Fund: £100.00

**Church Maintenance Fund Total:** £9,740.50

### **MEMORY VERSE**

### Last Week

"The children of Israel brought a willing offering unto the LORD, every man and woman, whose heart made them willing to bring for all manner of work, which the LORD had commanded to be made by the hand of Moses."

**Exodus 35:29** 

### This Week

"For in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive."

1 Corinthians 15:22

### **Next Week**

"Seek ye the LORD, all ye meek of the earth, which have wrought his judgment; seek righteousness, seek meekness: it may be ye shall be hid in the day of the LORD'S anger."

Zephaniah 2:3

### Pre-cautions for Worship Services held at the church premises:

With the lifting of the legal Covid restrictions on 24th Feb 2022, we will continue observing the following precautions:

- No offering collection during the worship service. Offerings can be made at the offering box when entering or exiting the church.
- Temperature measurements will still be taken for every worshipper and visitor for the time being. We continue to urge those who feel unwell (especially with Covid symptoms) not to come to the church services but join us at our online services.
- During worship services, please continue to sit with your own households.
- As per the current government advise, we suggest you use a face covering when attending the services. Please bring your own face covering.

To join our online services or for more information, please visit the church website (www.newlifebpc.org.uk) or call the church manse (020 73280869).

With the Lord's blessing,

John Poh & Jonathan Kim Task Force Members