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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 16 JULY 2023

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Morning Service – 11am

Prelude

The Lord Is in His Holy Temple

Call to Worship

Psalm 29:1-2

Opening Prayer

Jonathan Kim

Opening Hymn *

RHC 18 – “Come, Thou Almighty King”

Responsive Reading

Psalm 64

Second Hymn *

Psalm 64 verses 1-2, 7-10
(to the tune of tune of St Agnes, RHC 57)

Scriptural Text

Ephesians 4:11-16

Pastoral Prayer

Eld George Chew

Sermon Message

Church Growth

Closing Hymn *

RHC 233 – “O Breath of Life”

Benediction/3-Fold Amen *

Eld George Chew

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 69

Q: What is forbidden in the Sixth Commandment?

A: The Sixth Commandment forbiddeth the taking away of our own life, or the life of our neighbour unjustly, or whatsoever tendeth thereunto.

Comments:

This commandment respects *life*. It acknowledges that God is its Giver, and that therefore no one has a right to take it away without just reason. It commands us to take all proper care of our health, as well as of the health of others. And it forbids us to take away our own life – which is *suicide*; or the life of another – which is *murder*.

Scriptural Reference:

Ephesians 5:29, Matthew 10:23, Mark 6:31, Psalm 82:3-4, Job 29:13, 1 Kings 18:4

FINAL JUDGMENT UPON SECRET SINS

Jonathan Edwards (1703-1758)

“But unto them that are contentious, and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, indignation and wrath, Tribulation and anguish, upon every soul of man that doeth evil, of the Jew first, and also of the Gentile.”—Romans 2:8-9

WHEN the Day of Judgment comes, [the wicked] shall rise to the resurrection of damnation. When that day comes, all mankind that have died from off the face of the earth shall arise—not only the righteous, but also the wicked. “And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt” (Dan 12:2). “And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works” (Rev 20:13). The damned in hell know not the time when the Day of Judgment will be; but when the time comes, it will be made known. It will be the most dreadful news that ever was told in that world of misery. It is always a doleful time in hell. The world of darkness is always full of shrieks and doleful cries. But when the news is heard that the Day appointed for the judgment is come, hell will be filled with louder shrieks and more dreadful cries than ever before.

When Christ comes in the clouds of heaven to judgment, the news of it will fill both earth and hell with mourning and bitter crying. We read that all the kindreds of the earth shall wail because of Him, and so shall all the inhabitants of hell. Then must the souls of the wicked come up to be united to their bodies and stand before the Judge. They shall not come willingly, but shall be dragged forth as a malefactor is dragged out of his dungeon to execution. They were unwilling when they died to leave the earth to go to hell. But now they will be much more unwilling to come out of hell to go to the last judgment. It will be no deliverance to them: it will only be a coming forth to their execution. They will hang back, but must come. The devils and damned spirits must come up together. The last trumpet will then be heard: this will be the most terrible sound to wicked men and devils that ever was heard. Not only the wicked that shall then be found dwelling on the earth shall hear it, but also those that are in their graves. “Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation” (Joh 5:28-29).

Then must the souls of the wicked enter their bodies again, which will be prepared only to be organs of torment and misery. It will be a dreadful sight to them when they come to their bodies again, those bodies that were formerly used by them as the organs and instruments of sin and wickedness and whose appetites and lusts they indulged and gratified. The parting of soul and body was dreadful to them when they died, but their meeting again at the resurrection will be more dreadful...Thus shall they rise out of their graves, and shall lift up their eyes and see the Son of God in the clouds of heaven in the glory of His Father with all His holy angels with Him (Mat 25:31). Then shall they see their Judge in His awful majesty. [This] will be the most amazing sight to them that ever they saw and will still add new horrors. That awful and terrible majesty in which He will appear and the manifestation of His infinite holiness will pierce their souls...

Then must they appear before their Judge to give up their account. They will find no mountains or rocks to fall upon them that can cover them and hide them from the wrath of the Lamb. Many of them will see others at that time. [Some] were formerly their acquaintance, who shall appear with glorious bodies, with joyful countenances and songs of praise, and mounting up as with wings to meet the Lord in the air, while they are left behind. Many shall see their former neighbours and acquaintance, their companions, their brothers, and their wives taken and they left. They shall be summoned to go and appear before the Judgment Seat. Go they must, however unwilling. They must stand at Christ’s left hand in the midst of devils and wicked men. This shall again add still further amazement and will cause their horror still to be in a further degree than ever. With what horror will that company come together!

Then shall they be called to their account. Then shall be brought to light the hidden things of darkness. Then shall all the wickedness of their hearts be made known. Then shall be declared the actual wickedness they have been guilty of. Then shall appear their secret sins that they have kept hid from the eye of the world. Then shall be manifested in their true light those sins that they used to plead for and to excuse and justify. And then shall all their sins be set forth in all their dreadful aggravations. All their filthiness will be brought to light to their everlasting shame and contempt. Then it shall appear how heinous many of those things were that they in their

lifetime made light of. Then will it appear how dreadful their guilt is in thus ill-treating so glorious and blessed a Savior.

And all the world shall see it! Many shall rise up in judgment against them and condemn them: their companions whom they tempted to wickedness, others whom they have hardened in sin by their example shall rise up against many of them. The heathen that have had no advantages in comparison of them and many of whom have yet lived better lives than they shall rise up against them. And they shall be called to a special account: the Judge will reckon with them, they shall be speechless, they shall be struck dumb, their own consciences bearing testimony against them and shall cry aloud against them. For they shall then see how great and terrible a God He is against Whom they have sinned. Then shall they stand at the left hand, while they see others whom they knew on earth sitting at the right hand of Christ in glory, shining forth as the sun, accepted of Christ and sitting with Him to judge and condemn them.

Then the sentence of condemnation shall be pronounced by the Judge upon them.“ Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels” (Mat 25:41). This sentence will be pronounced with awful majesty. There shall be great indignation; and dreadful wrath shall then appear in the Judge—in His voice with which He shall pronounce the sentence. What a horror and amazement will these words strike into the hearts of the wicked on whom they shall be pronounced! Every word and syllable shall be like the most amazing thunder to them and shall pierce their souls like the fiercest lightning! The Judge will bid them depart from Him. He will drive them from His presence as exceedingly abominable to Him. And He shall give them the epithet accursed: they shall be an accursed company, and He will not only bid them depart from His presence, but into everlasting fire, to dwell there as their only fit habitation. What shows the dreadfulfulness of the fire is that it is prepared for the devil and his angels. They shall lie forever in the same fire in which the devils, those grand enemies of God, shall be tormented! When this sentence shall be pronounced, there shall be, in the vast company at the left hand, tremblings, mourning, crying, and gnashing of teeth in a new manner—beyond all that ever was before. If the devils—those proud and lofty spirits—tremble many ages beforehand at the bare thoughts of this sentence, how will they tremble when it comes to be pronounced! And how, alas! will wicked men tremble! Their anguish will be aggravated by hearing that blessed sentence pronounced on those who shall be at the right hand: “Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world” (Mat 25:34).

Then the sentence shall be executed. When the Judge bids them depart, they must go. However [unwilling], yet they must go. Immediately upon the finishing of the judgment and the pronouncing of the sentence will come the end of the world. The frame of this world shall be dissolved—the heavens be dissolved, and then the earth shall be set on fire. As God in wrath once destroyed the world by a flood of water, so now shall He cause it to be all drowned in a deluge of fire; and the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and “the elements shall melt with fervent heat” (2Pe 3:10); and that great company of devils and wicked men must then enter into those everlasting burnings to which they are sentenced.

In this condition, they shall remain throughout the never-ending ages of eternity. Their punishment shall be then complete, and it shall remain in this completion forever. Now shall all that come upon them that they so long trembled for fear of, while their souls were in a separate state. They will dwell in a fire that never shall be quenched, and here they must wear out eternity...There is no reckoning up the millions of years or millions of ages; all arithmetic here fails, no rules of multiplication can reach the amount, for there is no end. They shall have nothing to do to pass away their eternity, but to conflict with those torments. This will be their work forever and ever. God shall have no other use or employment for them. This is the way that they must answer the end of their being. And they never shall have any rest, nor any atonement, but their torments will hold up to their height and shall never grow any easier by their being accustomed to them. Time will seem long to them, every moment shall seem long to them, but they shall never have done with the ages of their torment.

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Jonathan Edwards (1703-1758): American Congregational minister; well-known Puritan preacher and author during the Great Awakening; born in East Windsor, Connecticut Colony.

WELCOME TO NEW LIFE B-P CHURCH LONDON

Our Lord's Day activities begins with the **Worship Services** at **11.00 am**. 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 [admin 'at' newlifebpc.org.uk](mailto:admin@newlifebpc.org.uk).

Tithes & Offerings – There is 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. Please bring your own lunch as only drinks will be provided.

MEMORY VERSE

Last Week

"In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;"

Ephesians 1:7

This Week

*"There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;
One Lord, one faith, one baptism,
One God and Father of all, who is above all,
and through all, and in you all."*

Ephesians 4:4-6

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

Dear all,

While the legal Covid restrictions having been lifted, we will continue to observe the following precautions:

- We continue to urge those who feel unwell (especially with Covid symptoms) to stay home and join us at our online services.
- No offering will be collected during the worship service. Offerings can be made at the offering box when entering or exiting the church.
- During worship services, please continue to sit with your own households.
- While not required, the use of face covering is voluntary. 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,

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