

# 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 07 JULY 2024

### ORDER OF WORSHIP

Morning Service – 11am

**Prelude** The Lord Is in His Holy Temple

Call to Worship Psalm 22:22-28

*Opening Hymn* \* RHC 19 – "Come, We That Love the Lord"

Opening PrayerJonathan KimResponsive ReadingPsalm 114Psalm 114

Second Hymn \* Psalm 114

(to the tune of All Saints New, RHC 438)

Scriptural Text 1 Samuel 1

Pastoral Prayer Eld Foong Kon Yu

Sermon Message Joy Cometh in the Morning

Closing Hymn \* RHC 313 – "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go"

Benediction/3-Fold Amen \* Eld Foong Kon Yu

**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 12**

# Q: What special act of providence did God exercise toward man in the estate wherein he was created?

A: When God had created man, he entered into a covenant of life with him, upon condition of <u>perfect obedience</u>, forbidding him to eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, upon the pain of <u>death</u>.

### Comments:

When God made Adam and Eve, he said that if they kept his commands, they should live for ever; but if they broke his commands, they should die. This was the *Covenant of Life*. God then put forth his first command, which was that they should not eat of a particular tree, called the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. Their regard for this would show how far they were willing to obey him in all things.

### Scriptural Reference:

Genesis 2:16-17; Galatians 3:12

# **BLESSED ARE THE HUNGRY FOR HIS WORD**

They say a hungry man is an angry man so how can a hungry person be blessed? Humans only look at hunger as physically filling our stomachs. There are several things that man can be hungry about such as food and raiment, knowledge, fame, power, richness, affection but the bible here meant hunger for God and His teachings. Hungering for God is to long for the intimate relationship which joins heaven and earth, and unites the Creator and the created in a family where love predominates. This is the greatest of all hunger for when we are in tune with the Almighty, all yeaning is satisfied by the Lord. The man who hungers after righteousness rarely desires lesser things. The fourth of the nine beatitudes reads *Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.* (Matthew 5:6).

Christ told the disciples (and us as well) "Blessed are those which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled. The rich man hungered for financial security, the Pharisees sought the praises of man, the athletes hunger for greater success to be top performers but Christians desire to be Christ-like. Only Christians are the only ones in the group mentions who are confident to reach their objective in this life. All other desires than that of the Christian's will fade with time and soon all the long desired achievements would come to nought. What is the use of huge balance when you cannot use them; the dusty medals are but forgotten, nobody praises you after you are unable to boast of your capabilities. To be more Christ-like will increase in value as we are nearer our final destination of heaven.

Have you ever wondered what does Jesus mean when He said that He is the bread of life, he that cometh shall never hunger; and he that believth shall never thist? The Israelites were sustained in the wilderness by mana provided by God. Deprived of daily sustenance the nation would have perished. There is a lot of significance when Jesus said that "Moses gave you that bread from heaven; but my Father gives you the true bread (Jesus Himself) from Heaven. The bread of God satisfies all hunger and gives life to the world. He is able to supply all your needs. No other man can promise this and will never be able to achieve this even if he had said so.

John wrote in Rev 7:9-17 that the great multitude that gathered in heaven would not hunger nor thirst. The Apostle emphasised that we (in heaven) would hunger nor thirst because the Lamb of God assumed the responsibility for supplying all our eternal needs.

What do you hunger for? Is it not time to change our priorities to be Christ-like?

**Eld Foong** 

(Calvary Jurong BP Church, Singapore)

## WELCOME TO NEW LIFE B-P CHURCH LONDON

Our Lord's Day activities begins with the **Worship Service** at **11.00 am** followed by a **Bible Study** at **1:30pm**. 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, please join our Worship Service and Bible Study on our live-stream via YouTube - https://www.youtube.com/@NewLifeBPCLondon

We thank God for providing Eld Foong to minister to the church till end of August.

**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.

**Afternoon Bible Study** – Eld Foong will lead a study taken from Micah 1.

### **MEMORY VERSE**

### Last Week

"Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh."

**Matthew 25:13** 

### This Week

"My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience."

James 1:2-3

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

Dear all,

When attending the church Worship Service and Bible Study, 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 online.
- Please place your offerings in the offering box when entering or exiting the church.
- During worship services, please continue to sit with your own households.

To join our online services or for more information, please visit the church website (<a href="www.newlifebpc.org.uk">www.newlifebpc.org.uk</a>) or call the church manse (020 73280869).

With the Lord's blessing,

John Poh & Jonathan Kim, Task Force Members