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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 15 FEBRUARY 2026

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Morning Service – 11am

Prelude

The Lord Is in His Holy Temple

Call to Worship

Psalm 99:1-5

*Opening Hymn **

RHC 36 – *“High in the Heavens, Eternal God”*

Opening Prayer

Jonathan Kim

Responsive Reading

Psalm 40

*Second Hymn **

RHC 130 - I Waited for the Lord My God
(reference Psalm 40:1-5, 11)

Scriptural Text

1 Kings 18:24

Pastoral Prayer

Rev John Armstrong

Sermon Message

“The Battle for the Truth”

*Closing Hymn **

RHC 304 – *“- I Am Trusting Thee. Lord Jesus”*

*Benediction/3-Fold Amen **

Rev John Armstrong

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.

WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM QUESTION 99

Q: What rule hath God given for our direction in prayer?

A: The whole Word of God is of use to direct us in prayer; but the special rule of direction is that form of prayer which Christ taught his disciples, commonly called THE LORD’S PRAYER.

Comments:

We are here taught that in praying to God we have the whole Bible as a guide. But specially we have a pattern or example set us in the prayer which Christ taught his disciples. This is usually called the Lord’s Prayer – that is, the prayer of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Scriptural Reference:

1 John 5:14. Matthew 6:9

Dear brethren, this week's article is the 4th from series entitled "What time is it?" written by Rev Okman Ki, Pastor Emeritus of Hope Bible-Presbyterian Church in Australia. This is reproduced for our edification.

What time is it? – Part 4

Romans 13:12 says, "The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light." I am going to continue with the signs of "the day" as J. C. Ryle explains. The first two signs were (1) the missions to the heathen and (2) the interest in the Jewish nation.

3. **The spread of knowledge and communication between nations:** When I first visited Cambodia 25 years ago, not many people owned even landlines. I had to go to a place where phone service was provided and paid the fees calculated by the duration of time I used the phone. Within the next few years, wireless phones were found everywhere, and now smartphone use is common. Just think about travelling beyond the bounds of people's own countries a hundred years ago. Only a few had that privilege of travelling overseas. Now everyone moves in every direction, and our population is like a swarm of bees disturbed. Time and space are made nothing of. Seas, mountains, and rivers are no longer obstacles. God separated the nations in the days of Babel. Man is working hard to make them all one again. Daniel 12:4 says, "But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, *even* to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased."
4. **The wars and shakings of nations:** Just think about the worldwide catastrophic wars since 1900. The two world wars, Korean War, Vietnam War, Cambodian War, wars in the Middle East. Russia invaded Ukraine, and recently there was a war between Thailand and Cambodia. There are countless other wars not mentioned here. Empires were destroyed, and countries were dissolved and rezoned. Kings, princes, presidents, and great men and women have been driven from their high positions. Interestingly, these upheavals have taken place in the face of increased knowledge, civilization, and desire for peace. Matthew 24:7-8 says, "For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places. ⁸ All these *are* the beginning of sorrows."
5. **The drying up of the Mahometan power:** Probably, it is an interesting point from Bishop Ryle's perspective. He was born in 1816 and died in 1900. With the historical background of his era, see how you could view his opinion. At least 350 years ago, men doubted whether the Turks might not overrun Europe. No army seemed able to resist them. Province after province fell into their hands. When Martin Luther in his sermons wanted an illustration of boundless worldly power, he would choose for his example "the Turkish power." But now all has changed. Without much outward violence the

Mahometan strength has gradually dwindled away. Now no one talks about the power of the Turkish Empire. Ryle saw that the days of pure and intolerant Mahometanism were already in the past. Then he quoted Revelation 11:12-15, "And they heard a great voice from heaven saying unto them, Come up hither. And they ascended up to heaven in a cloud; and their enemies beheld them. ¹³ And the same hour was there a great earthquake, and the tenth part of the city fell, and in the earthquake were slain of men seven thousand: and the remnant were affrighted, and gave glory to the God of heaven. ¹⁴ The second woe is past; *and*, behold, the third woe cometh quickly. ¹⁵ And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become *the kingdoms* of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever." Well, I am not sure if we could say that the Mahometan's aggressive power has died out by now. However, one thing must be right – all opposition to the cross of Jesus will inevitably perish.

6. **The increased attention to unfulfilled prophecy:** In a way, not many people paid attention to the book of Revelation one hundred years ago. However, we must be reminded of the Y2K fever. Many Christian churches talked about the return of Christ, and there was a surge of their interest in the book of Revelation and biblical prophecies of future events. Books on these subjects have been eagerly written and read. The study of unfulfilled prophecy still holds its ground. Daniel 12:9 says, "And he said, Go thy way, Daniel: for the words *are* closed up and sealed till the time of the end."

I know that we are all poor judges of our own times. We are apt to exaggerate the importance of events that take place under our own eyes. Though we have seen many significant events in our lifetime, I am far from saying that no bigger events will happen in the future. I do not fully know the meaning of the words, "the night is far spent, and the day is at hand."

However, from these words, I find that (1) there is a strong motive for diligence in the work of doing good to souls. We must hasten even more to spread the Gospel over the world. We must take more pains in endeavouring to sow the truth in him. The time is short. The night is far spent, and the day is at hand. (2) There is also great consolation for the believer in Christ Jesus. The believers, though they may be sick and weary now, will be finally set free from their infirmities and weariness. They will each have a glorious body like their Lord's. (3) There is an eternal parting with tears. Every wound in their hearts shall be completely healed. Every empty place and gap in their affections shall be entirely filled up. They shall find that those who have died in the Lord were not lost but gone before. They shall see that infinite wisdom arranged every bereavement, by which one was taken and another left. They shall magnify the Lord together with those who were once their companions in tribulation and acknowledge that He did all things well and led them by a right way. (4) There is no more feelings of loneliness. The believers shall no longer be scattered over the earth. They shall no longer lament that there are few to speak to as a man speaks with his friends.

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WELCOME TO NEW LIFE B-P CHURCH LONDON

Our Lord's Day activities begin with the **Worship Service** at **11.00 am** followed by a **Bible Study & Children's Sunday School** 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 worshipping 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 Rev John Armstrong to minister to us today.

Next week, Mr Charles Scott-Pearson will be ministering to us.

Tithes & Offerings – The offering box is located at the entrance to the Church Sanctuary.

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 – Rev Armstrong will conduct the study entitled “A Church Expanding” taken from Acts 6:7-8.

Children's Sunday School – held after the After-Service Fellowship at 1:30pm.

Chinese New Year Carry-In Lunch, 22 February – Do join us for our carry-in lunch next week. If you would like to contribute a dish, please inform Mark.

MEMORY VERSE

This Week

“And call ye on the name of your gods, and I will call on the name of the LORD: and the God that answereth by fire, let him be God. And all the people answered and said, It is well spoken.”

1 Kings 18:24

Last Week

“But straightway Jesus spake unto them, saying, Be of good cheer; it is I; be not afraid.”

Matthew 14:27

They shall be united to the general assembly and church of the first-born. They shall join the blessed company of all the believers of every name, people, and tongue. (5) There is a finding that their labours were not in vain. There are preachers, evangelists, missionaries, Bible study group leaders, or Sunday School teachers who seemed to reap no fruit. Missionaries have testified to the Gospel, and none seemed to believe. Teachers poured truth into children's minds line upon line, and none seemed to attend. All shall discover that they have not spent their strength for nought. They shall find that the seed sown can spring up after many days, and that sooner or later in all labour there is profit.

The Lord shall come and will not tarry as He promised. Yet a little while, the last sermon shall be preached, and the last congregation shall break up. The believers will be with the Lord. The night is far spent, and the day is at hand.