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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 13 JULY 2025

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Morning Service – 11am

Prelude

The Lord Is in His Holy Temple

Call to Worship

Psalm 47:1-2

*Opening Hymn **

RHC 31 – “Blessed Be the Name”

Opening Prayer

John Poh

Responsive Reading

Psalm 9

*Second Hymn **

Psalm 9:1-9

(to the tune of Evan, RHC 379)

Scriptural Text

1 Samuel 16

Pastoral Prayer

Eld Foong Kon Yu

Sermon Message

God’s Choice

*Closing Hymn **

RHC 421 – “Have Thine Own Way, Lord!”

*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 67

Q: What is the Sixth Commandment?

A: The Sixth Commandment is, THOU SHALT NOT KILL.

Scriptural Reference:

Exodus 20:13 and Deuteronomy 5:17 – “Thou shalt not kill”

Heidelberg Catechism Q & A 105

Q. What doth God require in the sixth commandment?

A. That neither in thoughts, nor words, nor gestures, much less in deeds, I dishonour, hate, wound, or kill my neighbour, by myself or by another; but that I lay aside all desire of revenge; also, that I hurt not myself, nor wilfully expose myself to any danger. Wherefore also the magistrate is armed with the sword to prevent murder.

Dear brethren, this week's article has been specially written by Elder Foong Kon Yu for our church family. We pray that you will be greatly edified and encouraged as you read through the article.

Honesty

All of us know the universal slogan “Honesty is the Best Policy”. We may have had many unpleasant experience dealing with people who are dishonest. We encountered betrayals, have been backbitten, cheated of our material and trust. Stop there for a minute and think again. Before we condemn the culprits let us also examine ourselves before God. Honesty or rather dishonesty is one of the reasons that cause us to sin. Adam and Eve did not disclose to God of their wrong but tried to cover them up. Of course knew everything but Ada, and Eve did not owe up until God called for them.

What drives us to be dishonest. We have our pride and own agenda to achieve what we want. We would not care if we achieve our target at the expense of others. So when God asked us to love our neighbour, it includes considering their feeling and their losses as a result of our action. In short, be considerate of the others around us. Consider the consequences of our selfish action.

Adam blamed God for creating Eve, Eve blamed the serpent. After Abraham was caught lying that Sarah was only his sister, he blamed Abimelech, the king of Gerar for threatening his life. Abraham went as far as blaming God for sending him on a dangerous journey where he justified for his lying about his wife. Later he blamed Sarah for the problems that resulted in the birth of Ishmael through Hagar. King Saul blamed his people for his sin in not completing the orders that God gave in the war against the Amalekites. There are numerous examples in the bible and that you have real life experience.

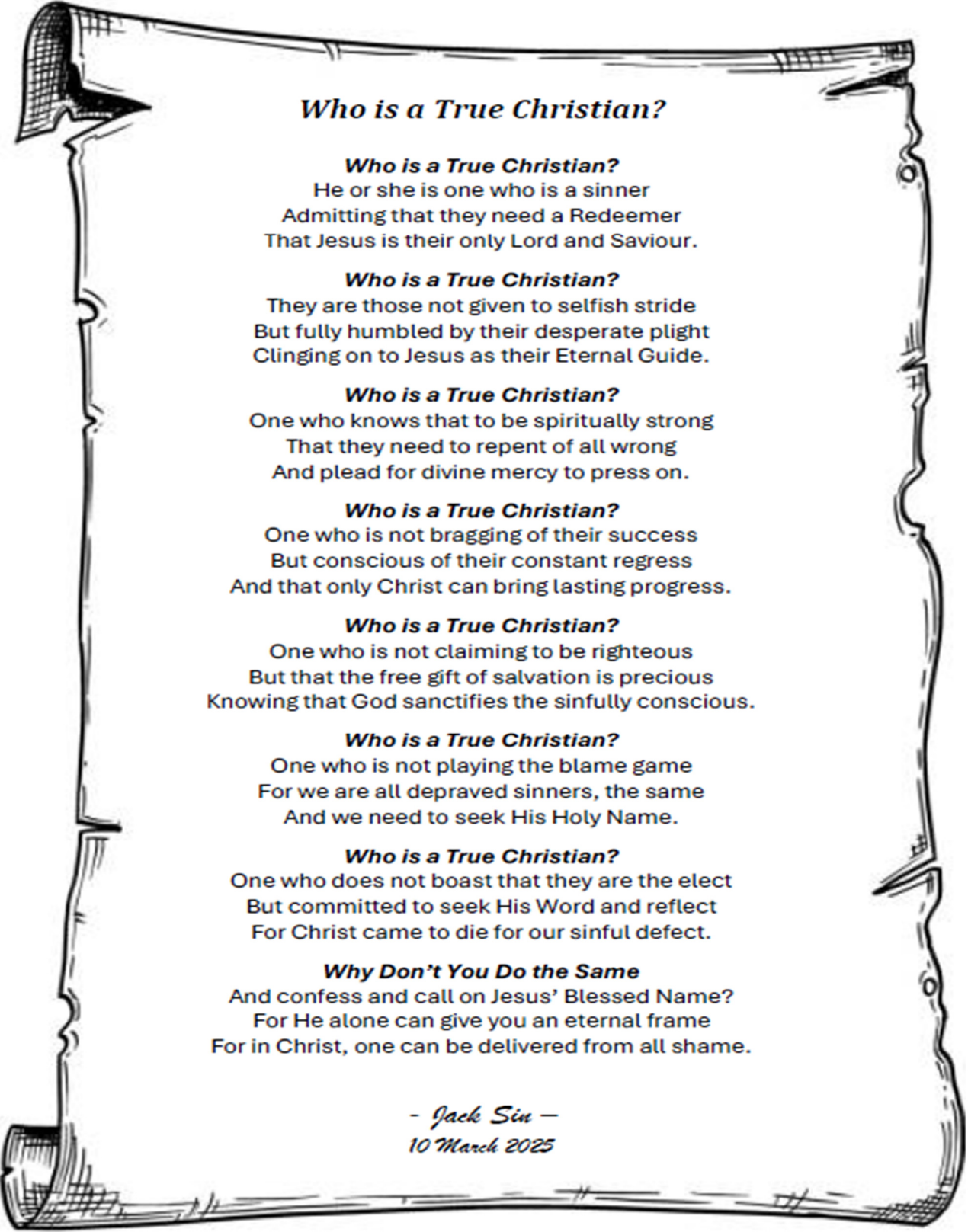
By now you probably have seen the pattern that when one sins one justifies for the reason of the action. We ought to come up front and be honest in dealing with our wrong. Repent and seek the forgiveness of our friends and God. This is the only way. Frauds and scams are schemed for personal gains at the expense of others. What does this bring us to? Distrust! We dare not even answer calls on our phones from an unknown mobile number nor to help strangers who might be in need. We take caution as a way to protect ourselves. Dishonesty caused the society to be suspicious of everyone and everything that we are not familiar with. Unfortunately some of these fraudsters and scammers claim that they are Christians too. If they are then they should stop their destruction acts. One such person whom I met when caught justified that the money that he gained through ungodly means was to enable him to help the church with a bigger tithe. God Forbid! God does not need such “sacrifice”. He wants us to live an honest obedient life. We tithe and give to the church because we are grateful for His blessings. Remember that before you came to this world what did you give? Until God blessed you with your own earnings; what do you have? If God does not bless us, what do we have? Zero!

Stay strong in the Lord.

The integrity of the upright shall guide them: but the perverseness of transgressors shall destroy them. Proverbs 11:3

For every beast of the forest is mine, and the cattle upon a thousand hills. Psalms 50:10

God is Almighty and sits on the Throne Forever.



Who is a True Christian?

Who is a True Christian?

He or she is one who is a sinner
Admitting that they need a Redeemer
That Jesus is their only Lord and Saviour.

Who is a True Christian?

They are those not given to selfish stride
But fully humbled by their desperate plight
Clinging on to Jesus as their Eternal Guide.

Who is a True Christian?

One who knows that to be spiritually strong
That they need to repent of all wrong
And plead for divine mercy to press on.

Who is a True Christian?

One who is not bragging of their success
But conscious of their constant regress
And that only Christ can bring lasting progress.

Who is a True Christian?

One who is not claiming to be righteous
But that the free gift of salvation is precious
Knowing that God sanctifies the sinfully conscious.

Who is a True Christian?

One who is not playing the blame game
For we are all depraved sinners, the same
And we need to seek His Holy Name.

Who is a True Christian?

One who does not boast that they are the elect
But committed to seek His Word and reflect
For Christ came to die for our sinful defect.

Why Don't You Do the Same

And confess and call on Jesus' Blessed Name?
For He alone can give you an eternal frame
For in Christ, one can be delivered from all shame.

- Jack Sin -

10 March 2025

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 Eld Foong Kon Yu to minister to us this Lord's Day.

Eld Foong will minister to us for the entire month of July.

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 – Eld Foong will continue the series of studies from the book of Romans.

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

MEMORY VERSE

This Week

"Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the midst of his brethren: and the Spirit of the LORD came upon David from that day forward. So Samuel rose up, and went to Ramah."

1 Samuel 16:13

Last Week

"And Samuel said, Hath the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams."

1 Samuel 15:22

Dear Brethren,

Deacon Yue Kay from Sovereign Hope BP Church has graciously shared some meaningful reflections following his attendance at their recent camp, "Wise or Foolish Living in a Smartphone Era." His insights offer valuable guidance as we navigate the challenges of living faithfully in a digital age. We pray that these reflections will encourage and edify you as we continue our journey of faith together.

The following are the areas that I will follow on in my journey of faith:

- 1) **To examine daily my spiritual walk with God** with earnest assessment of my own heart to see if I really mean what I say. (Jer 17:9-10)
- 2) **To fight to maintain my love for Christ** as this world is always attempting to capture my affections of my heart. (1Jn 5:12 reminds us ~ "Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world...")
- 3) **To pray earnestly, day and night, for wisdom and insight**, that God would open my eyes, that I would see the beauty of Christ and how desirable he is and how superior he is and in every way that should excite my affections. (Psa 73:25 & 119:18)
- 4) **To look to Christ intently and steadfastly and earnestly** through His Word (2 Cor 3:18, Heb 3:1 & 12:3)
- 5) **To read good books and listen good sermons** to help me grow in all spiritual wisdom and understanding of the Word. (2Tim 2:15)
- 6) **To be among God's people who cherish Christ above all** ~ it's contagious and that is what churches are for (Heb 10:24-25)