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"For the Word of God and for the testimony of Jesus Christ" (Rev 1:9)

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Morning Service - 11am

Prelude The Lord Is in His Holy Temple

Call to Worship 1 Chronicles 29:10-13

Opening Hymn * RHC 44 – "We Praise Thee, O God, Our Redeemer"

Opening Prayer Jonathan Kim

Responsive Reading Psalm 10

Psalm 10:12-13, 16-18 Second Hymn *

(to the tune of St Agnes, RHC 57)

1 Samuel 17:44-53 Scriptural Text Pastoral Prayer Eld Foong Kon Yu Sermon Message David and Goliath

Closing Hymn * RHC 46 – "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

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 68

Q: What is required in the Sixth Commandment?

A: The Sixth Commandment requireth all lawful endeavours to preserve our own life, and the life of others.

Scriptural Reference:

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

Heidelberg Catechism Q & A 106

Q. But this commandment seems only to speak of murder?

A. In forbidding murder, God teaches us, that he abhors the causes thereof, such as envy, hatred, anger, and desire of revenge; and that he accounts all these as 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.

Chaotic World

There was nothing, no space, no time but only void and darkness. God created the universe full of stars, planets and all the countless heavenly bodies. He created the earth with light, water, plants, animals and everything that is needed to sustain life. Next he created Adam and Eve who through them populated the whole world with humans. God declared that His creation is good. Everything was orderly. However when Adam and Eve sinned they caused not only the downfall of man but everything else. The animals were suddenly afraid of man and became aggressive. Scripture records the first murder in that Cain killed Abel. The world that we live in turns tipsy turvy. Romans 8:22 For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. We remember the famous song "What a Wonderful World". Yes, despite the decay and chaos it is still a beautiful world but it could have been perfect. It must have a wonderful, amazing sight to behold through the eyes of Adam and Eve. Food was aplenty without the hard work tilling the ground.

However sin causes man to lose the fellowship with God. We no longer live in the Garden of Eden. The world is filled with thorns and thistles. All kinds of sickness thrive. We face difficulties and challenges in our daily lives.

Man continually rebelled against his Creator. It was so bad that God sent in the flood sparing only Noah and his family. After the universal flood, the longevity of man dropped drastically.

Throughout history, man have been trying to out-smart and killing each other. Each wants to control the other. We initiate quarrels and wars in order to survive and to achieve power. Today man resort to frauds, scams and more self-destruction all for personal and selfish agenda. "What is there for me?" seems to be the question of the day.

By God's Grace we do have a choice to live in Christ or in chaos. Jesus chose to go to war against chaos. The Church is the lion hearted bride who will advance upon the territory of hell. The Church is the blood bought, Spirit-filled means by which God will chase away the chaos and fully reclaim this world.

This means that the church is not a safe haven for cowards or an ivory tower gathering of snobs who thumb their noses to the world. It is not a gathering of believers who are waiting idlily on Jesus to come and deliver us from the barren world. We are in a spiritual war but we do not need hardware weapons, swords, or angry tweets. We advance with the Gospel. We take back territory little by little until this whole world has been reclaimed for Christ. To do this, we preach the Gospel to the whole world as God commands. Unsaved souls are ripe unto harvest. We have a choice. Christ or chaos? For me and my house, we will be choosing Christ!

Dear brethren, the Lordship of Christ represents one of Christianity's most fundamental doctrines. This doctrine affirms Jesus' absolute authority over all creation and every aspect of our existence. The following article by Rev. Jack Sin (published in Sovereign Hope weekly, 8th December 2019) provides a valuable insight into the practical implications of this doctrine for us.

THE LORDSHIP OF CHRIST IN OUR LIVES

As we meditate on Phil 2:5-11 on the suffering of our Lord and the teaching of the Lordship of Christ in our lives, let us ponder what it means practically to have Christ as the Lord of our lives. The following thoughts came to mind.

1. Let God be the Lord of our **Thinking**

Our mental faculties ought to be subject to the word and will of God and let him guard and guide us in what we think to have a healthy mental life. Phil 4;8 and 2 Cor 10;5 speak of that submission to the Lord for the battle field is the mind today as the evil one seeks to corrupt thee mind of the young and old.

2. Lord of our Hearing

Our ears are meant to hear the word of God and in edifying communication with others and not for gossip, tale-bearing and half-truths that are unhelpful. Do we incline our ears to hear the word of God and other edifying messages or conversations?

3. Lord of our Seeing

Our eyes are designed to read God's word and to see where we are going and not for unedifying content, unsound movies and websites. Do we focus our eyes on that which build up our faith in the Lord?

4. Lord of our **Talking**

Our lips or mouth are created to praise and magnify the Lord in worship and thanksgiving. It is not to spread lies and rumours about others or complaint against God. Do we use our lips to comfort exhort encourage and edify others? Let us guard our lips that it will speak no guile.

5. Lord of our **Doing**

Our actions and demeanour are guided by the teaching of God's word. Hence, our conduct and propriety should be in a manner worthy of His calling. Whatever we do, let us do it all for the glory of God. Do something good for Jesus everyday as one senior pastor had always said.

6. Lord of our Going

Our feet bring us to many places. Our directions in life are guided by the compass and map of His inspired word. Wherever we go, let us seek to witness and share Christ with our gospel feet to bring honour and glory to the name of Christ our Lord.

Something for us to ponder over prayerfully and act upon.

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 said David to the Philistine, Thou comest to me with a sword, and with a spear, and with a shield: but I come to thee in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom thou hast defied."

1 Samuel 17:45

Last 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

Five Keys to God's Law

As part of the introductory chapter of his book, "God's Rules for Holiness: Unlocking the Ten Commandments", Dr Peter Masters (pastor of Metropolitan Tabernacle) briefly sets out five facts that are vital for us to know about the Ten Commandments if their full scope and depth is to be seen. They are:—

- 1.) They reflect God's character. What a motive this is to respect and study them!
- 2.) They keep their full authority today. It is so important to know that they tower above the old ceremonial and civic laws given temporarily to the children of Israel.
- 3.) They were designed for believers. Certainly, they are binding on all mankind, but when their full contents are recognised, they are especially relevant to Christian people, even providing rules for worship and for the structure of the church.
- 4.) And this key has a dramatic effect on how we apply the Commandments each one covers a whole family of sins.
- 5.) These Commandments, though mainly expressed in negative form, are also **commands to perform the opposite positive virtues.** The last two keys particularly revolutionise our use of this mighty code for holiness.