

2) Sin is wilful defiance against God and failing to meet His standards. Adam disobeyed God and through him, all man are tainted with original sin. This reality of original sin is clearly seen in a child's natural tendency towards lying, fighting, anger, malice and falsehood and our daily transgression of God's laws.

For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. (Rom 6:23)

3) The Bible tells us that death entered into the world because of the sin of Adam and original sin is passed on to all posterity. We know that this is because the wages of sin is death. (Rom 3:23) This death is not only the physical bodily death, but also the spiritual eternal death which is separation from God. ***BUT*** God has a redemption plan for man through Jesus Christ who came to die on the Cross for our sins. Share these verses with the person concerned.

But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. (Rom 5:8)



That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. (Rom 10:9)

For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. (Rom10:10)

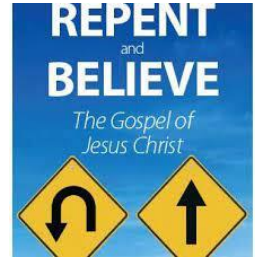
For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. (Rom 10:13)

What man could not do to save himself, God accomplished on the cross. Jesus exchanged His righteous, holy nature for our sinful nature so that we can stand before God as completely clean and pure, new creations with the old sin nature. God provided the perfect sacrifice for our sin, by His love and grace and mercy and we cannot do it ourselves. Only those whose natures have been transformed by grace and faith can escape the wrath of God and live in His love and mercy. Let us truly believe God and commit our lives to seeking Christ by faith and repent of our sins; we will not die but live eternally with Him.

Biblical evangelism begins with prayer to God for souls and for the

divine guidance of the Holy Spirit in helping us to witness effectively, as open doors of opportunity is given to us to share Christ. To share of our total depravity and sin as a serious problem and the wrath of God and the good news of the only way of salvation through divine love, grace, mercy, through the death and resurrection of Christ.

- 4) We need to help the seeker to sense his or her great need to humbly repent and to receive and believe Christ as God and as our Lord and Saviour and to confess and repent of our sins and to humbly receive Jesus into your heart today. Let Christ be the Lord of your whole life. Jesus is God and He rose from the dead, and He has overcome sin, death and Hell for His people. (Matt 1:21) Through Christ alone, we who believe shall have the same victory over sin and be saved forever.



- 5) Finally, below, consider the basic steps of sharing the pure gospel of Christ and the discipleship of a young Christian in his newfound faith:

Acknowledge that I am a depraved fallen sinner and cannot save myself. (Rom 3:23, Rom 3:10-12, Gen 6:5)

Believe that Jesus is God and that He died on the cross and rose again on the third day for my sins. (Rom 10:9-10, 1 Cor 15:1-5)

Confess and repent of my sins sincerely before God and seek His forgiveness. (1 Jn 1:9, Matt 3:8, Acts 20:21)

Devote my life fully to Christ as His disciple and read His Word daily (Luke 9:23; 2 Tim 2:15)

Endeavour to pray to Him and to come to church to worship God every Sunday to grow in my faith. (Heb10:24, 25, 2 Pet 3:18)

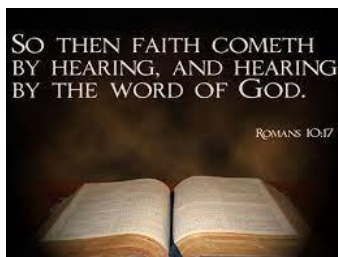
Faithful to God to the end as His responsible disciple and steward. (1 Cor 4:2, Heb 12:1-2)

Godliness and growth in the knowledge and the fear of God as my goal till He comes again (Prov 9:10, 1 Tim 4:7, 8)

Note these relevant verses:

***So then faith cometh by hearing,
and hearing by the word of God.
(Rom 10:17)***

***For the kingdom of God is
not meat and drink; but
righteousness, and peace,
and joy in the Holy Ghost.
(Rom 14:17)***



- 6) There is to be strong Emphasis on Faith In Christ which is trusting God to save us (not ourselves) and taking God's Word seriously for without faith, we cannot please God. (Heb 11:6) Ask the person if he seeks Christ now as Savior and Lord before it is too late. Something for them to think about seriously to act upon.

Conclusion

We have a grave duty after been saved by the atoning blood of Christ who died for us at Calvary, to share with others this new regenerated life that they too may believe in Christ as He wills. There should be a commitment to a changed life; our dreams, goals, appetites and desires should be those honourable to Christ. Our lives should be that consistent to the Word of God and Christ. These are the fruits of a redeemed life that we should bear and that it may impact others around us. Christ said in **John 15:16**, "***Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain.***"

Those who are truly regenerated and justified, should be zealous and sanctified for the Master's use and be part of the local church that our fruits In our lives should witness for Christ and peradventure to reach out and save souls and show forth our faith and our new hope and new life in the Lord.

Christ said in **Matt 7:17-18**, "***Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; and let us bear the fruit of repentance and of the Spirit.***"

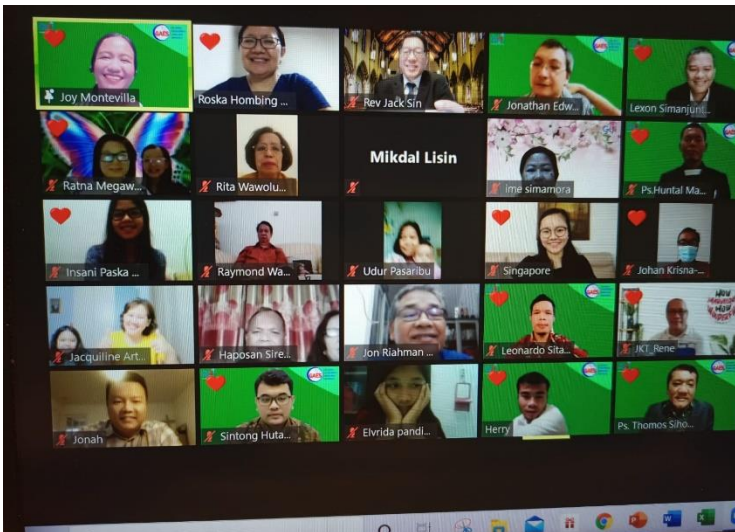


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Above: A fruitful webinar organized by Preacher Ang Liang of Filadelfia BPC, Batam where Pastor shared on the ***Biblical Perspective of Depression and Anxiety*** with 26 participants from 15 churches in 6 countries with a lively discussion.

Below: The Global Assembly English Service organized by Preacher Roska of Indonesia where Pastor preached to 74 participants from 7 countries



Sharing on the Church Prayer Meeting (30 June 2021)
“Principles for Effective Christian Living” (2 Chr 17:1-10)

Pastor Jack welcomed the 12 attendees (deacons, members & regular friends and 3 overseas brethren, namely, Elder Loke TL from Melbourne, Pastor Babu @ New Covenant BPC, India, and Preacher Mok @ New Life BPC, London).

We opened the Prayer Meeting with the hymn, “Tis the Blessed Hour of Prayer”. This was to remind us that God bids us to seek His face in prayer, believe His Word and trust His grace. Thereafter, Pastor Jack led us in the Opening Prayer. We then read God’s Word from 2 Chr 17:1–10 which Pastor expounded on.

3 Salient Points to consider:

A) Exhortation to seek and walk with God (v3 - 4)

King Jehoshaphat was a good king as he first sought the Will and Word of the Lord. Just like Moses, Joseph, Enoch and many others who were focused on seeking God, we should also look up to the Lord and walk with God as our compass to guide and direct us in our lives. It is a conscious effort and discipline for all in our relationship with our Lord.

B) Encouragement to follow the Lord and to remove all compromises in life (v6)

Following Christ requires us to give up something. Do we need to get rid of something that is displeasing to God or to remove idols of the heart? Are we in any way compromising our values with that of the world when following God in our walk with Him? King Jehoshaphat did the right thing for Judah and remove all images and idols and urged the people to seek and follow God.

C) Enablement to teach the Law of God’s Word (v9 - 10)

King Jehoshaphat ensured that there are priests and Levites to teach the people and reach out to all tribes to deepen their knowledge God and His Word. The itinerant Christian teachers, preachers, evangelists are necessary to help others to learn the Law of God which will result in increased Respect and Fear of God.

Conclusion

There is a serious challenge during this pandemic Are we walking close to the Lord and vaccinated with the vigilance in the Word and the full armour of God against the wiles of the evil one? We need to reflect and consider this.

Amen.

Han Kin Kheng

FINISHING WELL THE RACE OF LIFE

Lord's Day Program from Jul - Sep 2021

JULY

- 4 The Power of a Sound Mind (2 Tim 1:1-7)
- 11* Hold Fast to Sound Words (2 Tim 1:8-18)
- 18 The Imageries of a Christian (2 Tim 2:1-14)
- 25 Study to be a Biblical Practitioner (2 Tim 2:15-19)



AUGUST



- 1 A Sanctified Vessel for God (2 Tim 2:20-26)
- 8* The Characteristics of the End Times (2 Tim 3:1-9)
- 15 Fruitfulness through the Word (2 Tim 3:10-17)
- 22 The Sacred Duty to Share the Gospel (2 Tim 4:1-5)
- 29 Perseverance in the Ministry (2 Tim 4:6-10)

SEPTEMBER

- 5 Faithful Coworkers Labouring Together (2 Tim 4:11-22)
- 12* Love and Truth in Action (2 John)
- 19 The Case Study of 3 Persons (3 John)
- 26 Consider God in Troubled Times (1 Kings 4:1-11)



Memory Verse

2 Tim 1:13 Hold fast the form of sound words, which thou hast heard of me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus..

Announcements

1. Welcome to our Worship Service! For our visitors, do leave us your contact numbers in our guest book before you leave.
2. Pastor Jack speaks today on “**Hold Fast to Sound Words (2 Tim 1:8-18)**”, the new quarterly theme on “Finishing Well the Race of Life - The Epistle of 2 Timothy”. The Lord’s Supper will be served.
3. Pastor Jack speaks next Sunday on “**The Imageries of a Christian (2 Tim 2:1-14)**”.
4. Sunday School classes continue after worship service:
 - WCF Shorter Catechism Class – Pastor Jack
 - New Testament Survey – Dn Choo Siang
 - Studies in Numbers – Dr Kwong Leen
5. Chinese Fellowship meets on Sunday night at 7pm via Zoom with both local and overseas brethren.
6. Do send your prayer items to Pastor and join us for Church Prayer Meeting on Wed at 8pm via Zoom. The Jun prayer list is available from Dn Choo Siang.
7. Monthly Neighbourhood Bible Class meets on the first Friday of each month in church on the study of 2 Samuel.
8. We rejoice with Filadelfia BPC, Batam as they commemorate their 17th Anniversary Thanksgiving on 18 Jul.
9. The Pandemic book can be purchased through Dn Yue Kay (Hp: +65 97450311) or via email at sovereignhopebpc@gmail.com.
10. Do kindly observe the safety measures of the church and assist with the weekly cleaning of the premises.
11. Love gifts, Offering and Tithes to the Lord can be given in the following ways:
 - **Cheque** payable to **Sovereign Hope Bible Presbyterian Church** and mail to church address. (Kindly write the full name of the church as indicated.)
 - **Fund transfer** to Church **UOB** Account **392-308-825-1**
 - **PayNow** to Church UEN: **T19SS0116FSOV**
