

Youth Worship



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God's kind of church, where God is touching lives, and people care for people.

WELCOME TO BETHANY!

We are glad that you have chosen to join us at Youth Worship today!

May your heart be deeply blessed and encouraged through Worship!



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COME AND WORSHIP

***“Oh come, let us worship and bow down;
Let us kneel before the LORD our Maker.”***

PSALM 95:6

1. Humbling ourselves before God in worship
 - a. Humility is expressed in:
 - i. Bowing down
 - ii. Kneeling
 - b. We may not bow down or kneel literally at Worship today
 - c. Our focus is offering humble and heartfelt worship!
2. Recognition of the greatness of God
 - a. He is our great and wonderful LORD
 - b. He is our mighty Maker
 - c. We are His Creation
 - d. We cannot but bow in awe and adoration before our God!

When we consider all that the Lord has made with His hands - the hills, the seas, the dry land and the deep places of the earth, mankind is certainly insignificant in comparison! Yet, out of God's love for mankind, He has graciously made you and me.

Let us not lose that sense of wonder of the greatness and grandeur of our God! Let us humble ourselves in gratefulness as we come before His presence today!

ORDER OF WORSHIP

YOUTH WORSHIP SERVICE - 24 April 2021

Call to Worship

1. HWC #271: Standing on the Promises
2. With All of My Heart

Janelle Tan Shiwen
Goh Yuanli

Opening Prayer

Scripture Reading:

1. Genesis 15:1-7
2. Romans 4:1-5
3. 1 Peter 2:1-3

Tessa Kang, Bethany Toong,
and Asia Tan

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Benjamin Chong

Message:

“He accounted it to him for
righteousness”
Genesis 15:6

Pastor Charles Tan

Closing Prayer



WORSHIP SONGS

Standing on the Promises

By Russell Kelso Carter

1. Standing on the promises of Christ, my King,
Through eternal ages let His praises ring;
Glory in the highest, I will shout and sing,
Standing on the promises of God.

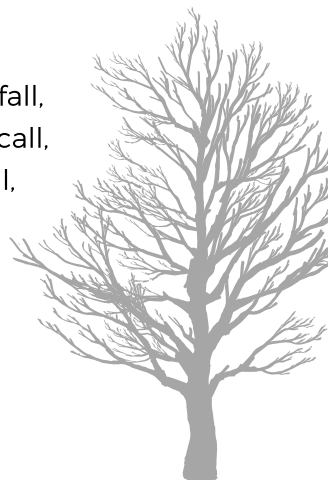
Refrain:

Standing, standing,
Standing on the promises of God, my Saviour;
Standing, standing,
I'm standing on the promises of God.

2. Standing on the promises that cannot fail,
When the howling storms of doubt and fear assail,
By the living Word of God I shall prevail,
Standing on the promises of God.

3. Standing on the promises of Christ, the Lord,
Bound to Him eternally by love's strong cord,
Overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword,
Standing on the promises of God.

4. Standing on the promises I cannot fall,
List'ning every moment to the Spirit's call,
Resting in my Saviour as my all in all,
Standing on the promises of God.



WORSHIP SONGS

With All of My Heart **By Camille Ann George**

1. You are always faithful,
Lord, You are always good.
Your love is ever steadfast,
Your Word is ever true.

You hear all my prayers,
You know my deepest pleas.
Your endless grace and mercy,
They meet my ev'ry need.

Refrain:
With all of my heart and all my mind,
I want to know You God on High.
To fear You and love You
All the days of my life.

I will live to serve You,
I'll offer ev'ry part.
Help me to obey You Lord,
With all of my heart!

2. You will never fail me,
You're always right beside.
Ev'ry path I walk on,
Lord, You will be my Guide.

In weakness, You uphold me,
Through struggles, You stay near.
You patiently remind me
That You are always here.

MY NOTES



Title: He accounted it to him for righteousness

Text: Genesis 15:6

Date: 24 Apr 2021

REVIEW OF GOD'S WORD

Let us review what we have learned at Youth Worship last week !

YWS MESSAGE - 17 April 2021

"I AM YOUR SHIELD"

GENESIS 15:1; PSALM 3:1-6; PSALM 5:11-12; PSALM 28:6-7

INTRODUCTION

1. Faith begins with Knowledge of God

2. What we have learned about God thus far

(From our reading of Genesis)

- a. That He is Real
- b. That He will Relate
- c. That He will Bless
- d. That He will Provide
- e. That He will Protect

3. The Knowledge of God

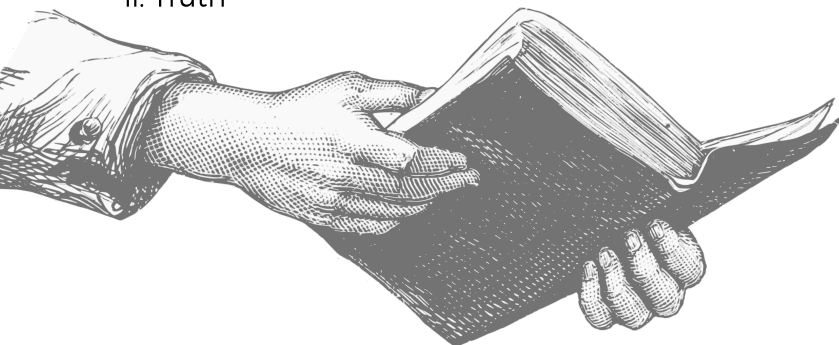
a. It becomes the substance of our faith

b. "The substance of things hoped for"

Hebrews 11:1a

c. This knowledge may be called:

- i. Doctrine
- ii. Truth



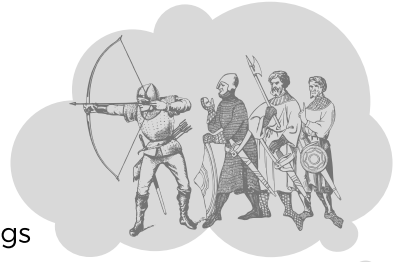
REVIEW OF ABRAM'S FAITH-RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

1. He believed in God

- a. That God had called him out of his homeland to a new country
- b. That God would bless as He had promised
- c. That God would protect him as he travelled for thousands of kilometers
- d. His knowledge and faith in God continued to grow

2. His belief empowered him

- a. To be kind and gracious
- b. To be good and forgiving
- c. To be brave and strong enough
 - i. To fight the Northern Coalition of kings
 - ii. To defeat them
 - iii. To rescue Lot and others who had been taken prisoner



THE DANGER THAT WAS VERY REAL



1. The Revenge of the Northern Coalition of kings

- a. They had been defeated
- b. They had been humiliated
 - i. Abraham had such a small army
 - ii. He wasn't even a kingdom
- c. They could easily return and attack Abram with an even larger force

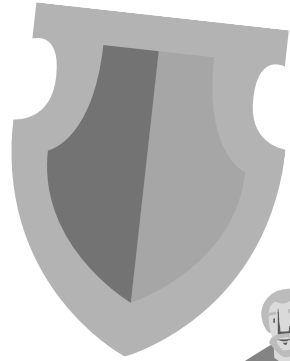


2. Abram would not be able to defend himself

- a. If the Northern Coalition of kings decide to come back to attack
- b. If the kings of the Southern Coalition turned against Abram
 - i. Many were wild
 - ii. They were wicked (Sodom and Gomorrah)

GOD'S PROMISE TO ABRAM

1. It was called "The word of the LORD" Genesis 15:1a
2. It was given in "a vision" Genesis 15:1b
 - a. A graphic portrayal
 - b. Abram could see this "shield" of God
3. The content of this "word of the LORD"
 - a. "Do not be afraid" Genesis 15:1c
 - i. It was natural to be afraid
 - ii. The threat was very real
 - iii. God allayed Abram's fears
 - b. "I am your shield" Genesis 15:1d
 - i. To symbolize protection
 - ii. To symbolize power
 - c. "Your exceedingly great reward" Genesis 15:1e
 - i. This was an additional promise
 - ii. Abram had refused any material award
 - iii. God Himself would be his reward
 - iv. It would be the very best reward ever

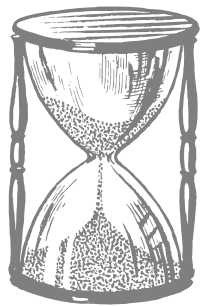


APPROPRIATE RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

1. We need to have a Response
 - a. Normal
 - b. Natural
2. Responses ought to be Appropriate
 - a. Stemming from Faith
 - b. "The evidence of things not seen" Hebrews 11:1b

APPLICATION OF THE DOCTRINE OF PROTECTION

1. All doctrines may be applied to our life
2. God's Truth will transcend time
3. It would be good for Abram and also for King David!



LEARNING HOW KING DAVID APPLIED THIS TRUTH IN HIS LIFE

1. Believing in Personal Protection from enemies

"But You, O LORD, are a shield for me,
My glory and the One who lifts up my head.

I cried to the LORD with my voice,
And He heard me from His holy hill."

Psalm 3:3-4

- a. He believed that God was his shield
- b. He prayed with faith in his heart



2. Trusting in Protection of God's People

"But let all those rejoice who put their trust in You;
Let them ever shout for joy, because You defend them;

Let those also who love Your name

Be joyful in You.

For You, O LORD, will bless the righteous;

With favor You will surround him as with a shield."

Psalm 5:11-12

- a. Trusting in God's defence
- b. God will be a shield to the righteous

3. Rejoicing in God’s Protection

"Blessed be the LORD,
Because He has heard the voice of my supplications!
The LORD is my strength and my shield;
My heart trusted in Him, and I am helped;
Therefore my heart greatly rejoices,
And with my song I will praise Him."
Psalm 28:6-7

- a. Rejoicing in the LORD
- b. Praising the LORD

CONCLUSION

- 1. A challenge to believe in God and His promises
- 2. A challenge to apply our faith in God as our Shield



REFLECTION

Written by Asia Tan

The Lord as Abram’s shield and reward

As Abram faced the threat of a revenge of the Northern Coalition of kings, he was physically unable to defend himself. However, despite the trying circumstances, he put his trust in the Lord. The Lord, being loving and gracious, allayed Abram’s fears with His word. Previously, God had already empowered him to be brave and strong enough to defeat his enemies, and even save Lot and others who were imprisoned. From this, we see how Abram’s application of genuine faith was immediately reciprocated by

God in the form of protection and provision, with the Lord as his shield and reward.

Learning to let the Lord be our personal shield

Just as God was a shield to Abram, we can trust that He can and will be our personal shield too. Growing up in church, I have struggled with remaining stagnant at a theoretical faith and found it difficult to apply faith regularly in my life.

However, I have come to learn that a theoretical faith alone will not suffice to stand us in good state. Rather, acknowledging our imperfections, laying aside our pride, and exercising faith by trusting in God to be our powerful protector is a much better approach to combating life's seemingly insurmountable challenges. Only then will we be able to personally experience the Lord as our protector and develop our relationship with Him.



Joy found in a personal and real faith

The Lord blesses us with His protection as we develop a genuine faith and close relationship with Him. This naturally brings us comfort knowing that He is always near to defend us. Having a real faith in the Lord helps us to relate to Him, bringing a special sense of joy to the heart knowing that we can share our burdens with Him and He can help us overcome them victoriously. Simply knowing that the Lord is on our side and He will not fail gives us many reasons to proclaim His power each and every day.

May we all be challenged to convert our head knowledge into applicable faith in the Lord, and strive for a faith that is as strong as Abram's!



POETRY CORNER

ACCORDING TO GOD'S COMMANDS

Noah sought to live most carefully;
He noted how many lived wickedly.
He refused to walk in evil ways;
Instead, he sought God's face.

He had found grace from the Lord;
He determined to walk with God.
This was his heart's strong desire;
In this pursuit, he did not tire.

God gave him clear instructions;
He would first seek discernment.
God's commands would be obeyed fully;
No matter how much the difficulty!

Obedience became Noah's great hallmark;
To fulfil all God commanded, he worked hard.
His life was then wonderfully blessed by God;
Grace is given to all who would obey the Lord!

Charles Tan
Inspiration: Genesis 6:22; 7:5



POETRY CORNER

COME INTO THE ARK

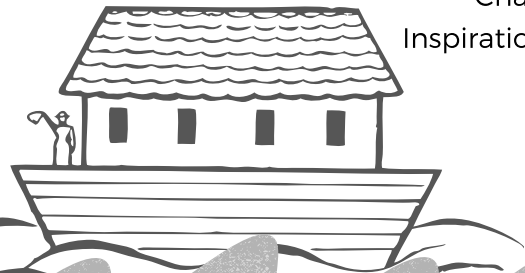
God had given chance after chance to Mankind;
But Man had rejected Him, for he was so blind.
But there was one who listened to God's Call;
He and his family decided they would yield their all.

Noah would listen to all that God said;
All that God said to him, he obeyed.
He built an ark, for a Flood was coming;
It would drown all who chose sinning!

The Day of the Flood came as God had said;
"Come into the ark. Do not be afraid."
Noah heard the Voice of God that fateful Day;
He was thankful he had chosen the Lord's way.

The ark of Noah is a symbol of Salvation;
God has no love to bring condemnation.
By faith we can hear and heed God's Voice;
Let us like Noah, follow Him, by choice!

Charles Tan
Inspiration: Genesis 7:1



ANNOUNCEMENTS

1

Song-leading at YWS

We hope that your heart has been uplifted by the personal sharing and the songs sung during Worship! More than singing songs that we are familiar with, we are thrilled to learn how to appreciate hymns which are deep, meaningful and movingly written.

If you'd like to share a song and learn how to lead in a time of singing at YWS, kindly write to Pastor (charlestan@bethanyipc.sg) or speak to us (Janelle/Yuanli).



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Labour Day (1 May 2021)

There will be no Youth Worship on 1 May 2021. On this Labour Day, let us take time to honour our parents who have laboured hard for us!



YWS NEXT WEEK



08 MAY 2021

Message: "Questions are not necessarily Doubts"

Text: Genesis 15; 1 Peter 2:1-3; 2 Peter 1:1-4

God's promises are so great and wonderful that they can at times be difficult for the finite human mind to fathom. Do you have questions about how God's promises may actualise in your life?

Abram did! He raised questions on God's promise to bless him with many descendants because He was old and without any children. At our next YWS, we'll learn how God answered Abram's questions.

Questions can be beneficial when we seek out the answers to inform and strengthen our faith!

Do plan to join us at our next YWS on 8 May!

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