# Youth Worship

BETHANY INDEPENDENT-PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

# WELCOME TO YOUTH WORSHIP!

Let us enjoy learning about our Lord and offer worship due to Him! May Worship bring you closer to God and refresh your soul!



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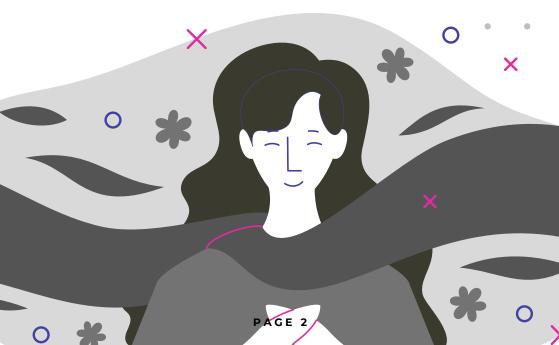
# **COME AND WORSHIP**

# "He shall hide me"

David prioritised his relationship with God and had put his mind on knowing the Lord better. He would dwell in God's Presence, inquire and seek deeper knowledge and understanding (Psalm 27:4). Knowing the Lord as his Protector gave David the confidence that he would triumph over the troubles that come.

"For in the time of trouble
He shall hide me in His pavilion;
In the secret place of His tabernacle
He shall hide me;
He shall set me high upon a rock."

**PSALM 27:5** 



#### CONFIDENCE IN GOD'S PROTECTION

- 1. Times of trouble
  - a. The wicked threatened to kill Psalm 27:2
  - b. Enemies encamped all around Psalm 27:3
  - c. How would David escape from his numerous enemies?
- 2. "He shall hide me"
  - a. The idea of hiding
    - i. It is not about hiding from the problems
    - ii. It is about God's Protection
  - b. God would hide and protect David
    - i. In His pavilion
    - ii. In the secret place of His tabernacle
  - c. The enemies would not be able to reach David
- 3. "He shall set me high upon a rock"
  - a. David knew that God would also help him to overcome his enemies
  - b. He would not only be protected, he would emerge victorious!

#### GOD AS OUR HIDING PLACE

In times of trouble, we can be easily shaken and overwhelmed. How refreshing it is to see David's faith and approach in times of adversity. He was not dejected but expressed confidence in the Lord.

Let us also look to God as our dependable Protector in whom we can find refuge, peace and assurance! With the Lord, we do not have to run away from our problems, but we can find the courage and confidence to face them.





# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## YOUTH WORSHIP SERVICE 22 JANUARY 2022

Call to Worship Pastor Charles Tan

**Opening Prayer** 

Scripture Reading: Chloe Tang, Bethany Toong

1. Genesis 27:41 & Tessa Kang

2. Genesis 27:42-45

3. Genesis 27:46

Pastoral Prayer Pastor Benjamin Quah

Message: Pastor Charles Tan

"Arise, flee to my brother Laban

in Haran"

Text: Genesis 27:41-46

Closing Prayer Pastor Charles Tan

# **MY NOTES**

22 JANUARY 2022

### "ARISE, FLEE TO MY BROTHER LABAN IN HARAN"

GENESIS 27:41-46

## **REVIEW OF GOD'S WORD**

Let us review what we have learnt at our last Youth Worship!

## YWS MESSAGE - 15 JANUARY 2022 "BLESS ME—ME ALSO, O MY FATHER" (II) GENESIS 27:34, 38 GENESIS 27:30-46

#### INTRODUCTION

1. A great sense of tragedy was felt

a. Isaac trembled exceedingly Genesis 27:33

He said to Esau:

"Your brother came with deceit

and has taken away your blessing" Genesis 27:35

b. Esau cried with an exceedingly great

and bitter cry Genesis 27:34

He said to Isaac:

"Is he not rightly named Jacob?

For he has supplanted me these two times.

He took away my birthright, and now look,

He has taken away my blessing" Genesis 27:36

2. What good can come out of a situation like this?

#### THE DOCTRINE OF "BLESSING"

1. Tracing the Concept of "Blessing" to the LORD

a. "I will bless you" Genesis 12:2b

b. "I will bless those who bless you" Genesis 12:3a

c. "And in you all the families of the earth

shall be blessed" Genesis 12:3c

- 1. It is the LORD who has:
  - a. The Right to offer a Promise of Blessing
  - b. The Power to fulfil the Promised Blessing

#### WHAT IS NEEDED TO RECEIVE GOD'S BLESSING?

1. Faith (Belief)

"And he (Abram) believed in the LORD"

Genesis 15:6a

2. Blessing bestowed

"And He (God) accounted it to him for righteousness" Genesis 15:6b

#### **CONFIRMATION OF BLESSING**

1. When Abraham was willing to offer his son

to God as a sacrifice Genesis 22:16

- 2. Pronouncement of great blessing
  - a. Personal

"Blessing I will bless you,

Multiplying I will multiply your descendants"

Genesis 22:17

b. Universal

"In your Seed all the nations of the earth

shall be blessed "

Genesis 22:18

c. Fulfilment... The Seed of Abraham

"Now to Abraham and his Seed were

the promises made. He does not say,

"And to seeds," as of many, but as of one,

"And to your Seed," who is Christ. Galatian 3:16

#### THE SEARCH FOR ISAAC'S BLESSING

1. By Rebekah for Jacob Genesis 27

2. The deceit of Jacob to obtain a blessing Genesis 27

3. The pronouncement of blessing by Isaac

**27** And he came near and kissed him; and he smelled the smell of his clothing, and blessed him and said:

"Surely, the smell of my son

Is like the smell of a field

Which the Lord has blessed.

28 Therefore may God give you

Of the dew of heaven.

Of the fatness of the earth.

And plenty of grain and wine.

29 Let peoples serve you,

And nations bow down to you.

Be master over your brethren,

And let your mother's sons bow down to you.

Cursed be everyone who curses you,

And blessed be those who bless you!"

Genesis 27:27-29

4. The Search for blessing by Esau

a. "Bless me—me also, O my father"

b. "Have you not reserved a blessing for me?"

c. "Have you only one blessing, my father?"

d. "Bless me-me also, O my father"

Genesis 27:34

Genesis 27:36d

Genesis 27:38a

Genesis 27:38b

#### THE PRONOUNCEMENT OF ISAAC

- 1. It is not the first-born blessing
- 2. That cannot be withdrawn
- 3. This is a Pronouncement
  - **39** Then Isaac his father answered and said to him: "Behold, your dwelling shall be of the fatness of the earth, And of the dew of heaven from above.
  - 40 By your sword you shall live,

And you shall serve your brother;

And it shall come to pass, when you become restless,

That you shall break his yoke from your neck."

#### Genesis 27:39-40

- a. Comfort in the mercy of the Lord which will be given
  - i. Dwelling of the fatness of the earth
  - ii. Dew of heaven above
- b. Solemn Reality
  - i. Esau will live by the sword
  - ii. But he will still have to serve Jacob
- c. Conflict and Resolution
  - i. The yoke of Jacob would be broken
  - ii. Esau would not remain under Jacob's Yoke forever

#### CONCLUSION

- 1. The Desire for "Blessing"
  - a. The idea of a Blessing was not fully understood
  - b. Nevertheless, Blessing was sought
- 2. The Disaster
  - a. Because of Ignorance
  - b. Because of Sin
  - c. The Blessing did not turn out as hoped
- 3. The Deciding Factors
  - a. Faith in the Lord must first be found
  - b. Faithful walking with God must be sought
  - c. Fruitfulness in life would then be God's blessing

# REFLECTIONS

#### **WRITTEN BY**

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Last week we learned of how Isaac had realised to his great horror something had gone wrong in his plan to bless Esau. He was deceived to bless Jacob instead, which made Esau very bitter towards his brother. After which, Isaac pronounced a blessing upon Esau, however, this was unlike the first-born blessing.

#### **Problems:**

#### <u>Isaac taking things into his own hands</u>

Isaac finally realised that his own plans to bless Esau had gone awry. The Lord had revealed to Isaac that the plan of God which was prophesied while Jacob and Esau were in Rebekah's womb would come to pass. God was showing Isaac that the blessing wasn't subject to his love for Esau, but it was a right that was entrusted to him by God's grace. The choice of whom to bless was God's and not Isaac's.

#### Esau's profaneness and hatred

Besides Esau's great agony because he had lost his birthright, it is clear that he was pushing the blame onto Jacob. However, in actual fact, he failed to take responsibility for despising his birthright and selling it to Jacob for a bowl of stew (Genesis 25:34). Esau had clearly sold his birthright away!

Esau also developed immense hatred against Jacob. This stemmed from his jealousy towards his brother who had inherited the birthright privileges. Esau's hatred towards his brother was overwhelming. It drove him to plan to kill Jacob as soon as Isaac died. This plot to murder his brother was comfort to him in the fact that he could finally take his revenge.

#### Rebekah's bent to deceive

Amidst all the conflict and strife between the brothers, Rebekah was making plans of her own. She had to get Jacob to a safer place and successfully manipulated Isaac into telling Jacob to leave.

#### Failure to apply faith

The mess that Isaac's family created was a result of failing to apply faith in God's plans. They had rejected God's word and wisdom and used their own human wisdom to seek His Blessing. This did no good to the family.

#### **Application:**

Isaac's family failed to recognise that the lack of faithfulness in their walk with the Lord impeded God's flow of blessings. By straying from Him, the blessing of a fruitful life in Him would not be granted. Personally, a good and faithful walk with the Lord may sometimes be challenging amidst a life filled with distractions and challenges. My constant prayer would be for the Lord to grant me spiritual sight to identify and weed out the sins which so easily cause me to stumble and stray.

# POETRY CORNER

# BRIMSTONE AND FIRE

The sins of Sodom and Gomorrah were grievous; The cries of many reached God who is righteous. He sent Two Angels to check out the sinful cities; If there were Ten righteous, he would show mercies.

The Two Angels were accosted by the people rudely;
The citizens wanted to know them most carnally.
They refused to listen to any reason given;
Their fate was sealed, and that from Heaven!

The Lord's Judgment must be understood carefully:
The unrepentant, wicked cities were judged divinely.
God would have spared the people if they had repented;
An appeal by Lot to abandon evil was outrightly rejected

Brimstone and Fire rained down on the wicked cities; Many sins had been committed, there was great iniquity. We must stand in awe of God's awesome judgment; The unrepentant wicked will one day face retribution!

> Charles Tan Inspiration: Genesis 18:18-33; 19:24-26



# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



In this week's Newsletter, Ashley Tan shares about overcoming worries concerning the uncertainties of life with faith in God being her refuge and fortress of defence. Read this week's Newsletter on how she is gradually finding strength to focus on her responsibilities when she commits all things to God.

Scan to read this week's Newsletter:



# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# Invitation to Join the Custodial Ministry

We would like to invite you to join us in the Custodial Ministry! Every week, many of our young people make time and effort to upkeep the Lord's house. They would wipe the pews, sweep the floors, scrub the toilets and do much more so that we can enjoy a clean church to worship in. Above all, they do this as a response to God for all that He has done for us!

If you would like to be a part of this special ministry, please reach out to Pastor Eugene (9047 8466) or Pastor Moses (9634 5334) or indicate your interest by scanning this QR code and filling up the online form:



# **NEXT YWS**



#### 29 JAN 2022

Message: "May God Almighty bless you" Genesis 28:3

Text: Genesis 28:1-9

Isaac blessed Jacob as he sent him away to Rebekah's brother, Laban, in Padan Aram. Esau observed that his father was not pleased with the daughters of Canaan whom he had married. So in hope to attain a greater favour from his father, Esau married Mahalath, a daughter of Ishmael, Abraham's son.

At this point, Isaac's family had become dysfunctional and the deterioration of faith had also adversely affected every aspect of their lives. How would God save this family from being entrenched in the compounded ramifications of sin?

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