

# 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!

How wonderful we can be in the house of the Lord to behold His beauty and to worship Him! Let us seek to be deeply enriched by the experience of worship and the study of the Scriptures.



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# COME AND WORSHIP

Psalm 33 begins with a call to rejoice in the Lord and to offer beautiful praise. Where may we find the inspiration to do this? There is nothing more worthy than to ascribe to the Lord as our source of inspiration!

**4 For the word of the LORD is right,  
And all His work is done in truth.**

**5 He loves righteousness and justice;  
The earth is full of the goodness of the LORD.**

## PSALM 33:4-5

### 1. Wholesome focus: The Person of the Lord

- a. Seen in His word
- b. Proven through His works

### 2. Word of the Lord

- a. Every word that proceeds from the mouth of God is indeed right
- b. There are no errors to His Word!

### 3. Works of the Lord

- a. The works of God are well-founded in the Scriptures
- b. They are observed in Creation
- c. His works are also experienced in our lives
- d. The Lord's works are always characterised by truth

### 3. Worthy of worship

- a. The Lord loves righteousness and justice
- b. His goodness surrounds us everywhere
- c. He is truly worthy of our worship!



### **THE LORD AS OUR WONDERFUL SOURCE OF INSPIRATION**

Our praise to the Lord can be refreshingly beautiful and forthcoming when He is our inspiration. As we dwell on the Person of God, the reasons to offer praise are limitless!

His Being is exemplified in His very Word and Works. The nature of God is such that He epitomises righteousness and justice. This is naturally reflected in His Word which is right. When we appreciate the Scriptures to be perfect and true, there can be a palpable sense of rejoicing and compelling desire to know and worship the Lord!

One cannot exhaust the list of works that God has performed in the Scriptures and in our midst. The bountiful works of God are observed in His glorious creations, evidenced in Biblical history, and demonstrated in Bethany and our personal lives. His works will never deviate from His impeccable truths!

May we always be in awe of God, His Word and His Works and be inspired to give deep and meaningful praise!



# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## YOUTH WORSHIP SERVICE

21 MAY 2022

### Prelude

Pianist: Gabrielle Wan

### Call to Worship

Pastor Eugene Seow

### Opening Prayer

Pastor Eugene Seow

### Song Leading

Olivia Lai & Stanley Woo

1. Bless the Lord
2. With All Of My Heart

### Scripture Reading:

Genesis 33:1-7

Chloe Tang, Bethany Toong  
& Ong Yanning

### Pastoral Prayer

Intern-Pastor Jonathan Jacob

### Message:

“And they wept”  
Text: Genesis 33:1-7

Pastor Eugene Seow

### Closing Prayer

Pastor Eugene Seow

### Postlude

Pianist: Gabrielle Wan

# MY NOTES

21 MAY 2022

**“AND THEY WEPT”**

GENESIS 33:1-7

# WORSHIP SONGS



## Bless the Lord


Lyrics and Music by Laura Story


You give and take away for my good  
For who am I to say what I need?  
For You alone see the hidden parts of me  
That need to be stripped away.

And as You begin to refine  
I'm learning to let go and rely  
On One who walks with me  
As hard as it may be,  
You're teaching me all the while to say

Chorus:

Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
All that's in me bless Your name.  
Forget not Your power untold  
Not Your glory or Your fame.  
For You came to heal the broken,  
To redeem and make me whole.  
Bless the Lord, O my soul.





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On One who walks with me  
As hard as it may be,  
You're teaching me all the while to say

### Chorus

Though my faith may falter,  
My strength may fail,  
I pray for eyes to see  
The richness of Your mercy shown to me.  
Bless the Lord  
Bless the Lord

Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
All that's in me bless Your name.  
Forget not Your power untold  
Not Your glory or Your fame.  
For You came to heal the broken,  
To redeem and make me whole.  
Bless the Lord...  
Bless the Lord, O my soul.

(end)



# With All of My Heart

Lyrics and Music by Camille Tam

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

## *Chorus:*

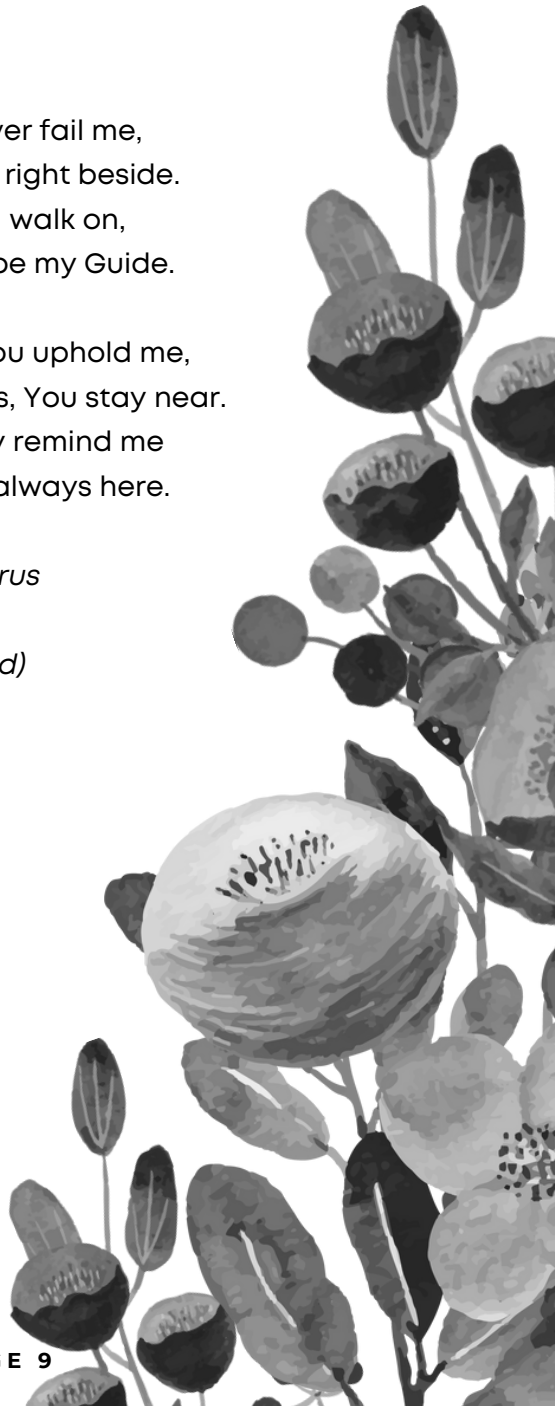
With all of my heart and all my mind,  
I want to know You God on High.  
To fear You and love You  
All the days of my life.  
I will live to serve You,  
I'll offer ev'ry part.  
Help me to obey You Lord,  
With all of my heart!

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.

*Chorus*

*(end)*



# REVIEW OF GOD'S WORD

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

## **YWS MESSAGE - 14 MAY 2022**

### **“YOUR NAME SHALL NO LONGER BE CALLED JACOB, BUT ISRAEL”**

#### **GENESIS 32:28**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

1. Fear and distress
  - a. They had gripped Jacob powerfully
  - b. He was driven to seek God in prayer
  - c. His basic prayer was simply “deliverance”      Genesis 32:9-12
2. Slowly but surely
  - a. Jacob was changing
  - b. Further work was to be done

#### **PREPARED TO DO ANYTHING TO HAVE WEALTH**

1. There was a time when Jacob sought wealth
  - a. By seeking the birthright of the firstborn
  - b. By seeking to have the blessing of the firstborn
  - c. That plan failed miserably
  - d. He had to flee from the wrath of Esau

2. He sought Wealth again

- a. Working for Laban
- b. He worked hard to have all the wealth that his heart could desire
- c. He finally acquired significant wealth
  - i. Oxen, donkeys, flocks
  - ii. Male and female servants

Genesis 32:5

## PREPARING A GIFT FOR ESAU

1. The content of the present

- a. 200 female goats
- b. 20 male goats
- c. 200 ewes
- d. 20 rams
- e. 30 milk camels with their colts
- f. 40 cows
- g. 10 bulls
- h. 20 female donkeys
- i. 10 foals

Genesis 32:14-15

2. In Drovers

- a. Goats
- b. Sheep
- c. Camels
- d. Cattle
- e. Donkeys

Genesis 32:16



### 3. Words to say to Esau

**17** And he commanded the first one, saying, "When Esau my brother meets you and asks you, saying, 'To whom do you belong, and where are you going? Whose *are* these in front of you?' **18** then you shall say, 'They *are* your servant Jacob's. It *is* a present sent to my lord Esau; and behold, he also *is* behind us.' " **19** So he commanded the second, the third, and all who followed the droves, saying, "In this manner you shall speak to Esau when you find him; **20** and also say, 'Behold, your servant Jacob *is* behind us.' " For he said, "I will appease him with the present that goes before me, and afterward I will see his face; perhaps he will accept me." **21** So the present went on over before him, but he himself lodged that night in the camp.

Genesis 32:17-21

#### a. Words to say to Esau

"They *are* your servant Jacob's. It *is* a present sent to my lord Esau; and behold, he also *is* behind us." Genesis 32:18

#### b. Jacob's hope

"I will appease him with the present that goes before me, and afterward I will see his face; perhaps he will accept me." Genesis 32:20

### 4. What this Huge Gift represents

a. Jacob was no longer caught up with Wealth

b. What is Wealth if one is slain?

c. He was prepared to give his wealth away to save his life

## THE TURNING POINT

**22** And he arose that night and took his two wives, his two female servants, and his eleven sons, and crossed over the ford of Jabbok.

**23** He took them, sent them over the brook, and sent over what he had. **24** Then Jacob was left alone; and a Man wrestled with him until the breaking of day. **25** Now when He saw that He did not prevail against him, He touched the socket of his hip; and the socket of Jacob's hip was out of joint as He wrestled with him. **26** And He said, "Let Me go, for the day breaks."

But he said, "I will not let You go unless You bless me!"

**27** So He said to him, "What *is* your name?"

He said, "Jacob."

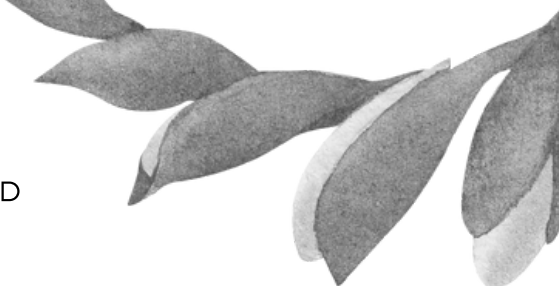
**28** And He said, "Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel; for you have struggled with God and with men, and have prevailed."

**29** Then Jacob asked, saying, "Tell *me* Your name, I pray."

And He said, "Why *is* it *that* you ask about My name?" And He blessed him there.

**30** So Jacob called the name of the place Peniel: "For I have seen God face to face, and my life is preserved." **31** Just as he crossed over Peniel the sun rose on him, and he limped on his hip. **32** Therefore to this day the children of Israel do not eat the muscle that shrank, which *is* on the hip socket, because He touched the socket of Jacob's hip in the muscle that shrank.

Genesis 32:22-32

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1. A wrestling match
    - a. A figure of speech
    - b. Jacob struggled with the LORD

2. What Jacob sought now
  - a. No longer wealth
  - b. It was God's Blessing

"I will not let You go unless You bless me!"

Genesis 32:26

3. A significant change of name

- a. Jacob

So He said to him, "What is your name?"

He said, "Jacob."

Genesis 32:27

- b. Israel

And He said, "Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel; for you have struggled with God and with men, and have prevailed."

Genesis 32:28

- c. Blessing obtained


Then Jacob asked, saying, "Tell *me* Your name, I pray."

And He said, "Why *is* it *that* you ask about My name?"

And He blessed him there.

Genesis 32:29

## CONCLUSION

1. Seek the Lord for change
  2. Struggle till change comes
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# REFLECTION

Written by

*Asia Tan*

## **The significance of names**

### **1. Jacob**

In Genesis 25, we understand that the name 'Jacob' means 'supplanter', which can be interpreted as someone who seizes, circumvents or usurps. This name was given to Jacob after he had taken hold of his brother, Esau's, heel at birth. Jacob lived out the meaning of his name when he stole his brother's blessing. His scheming and cunning personality was once again demonstrated in his detailed and calculative preparation process of the gift to Esau (Genesis 32:13-21). As such, we can observe how Jacob's name was a symbolic representation of him, as he continuously sought to grab potential wealth and fortune for himself throughout his life.

### **2. God**

God did not answer Jacob directly when he asked for the Lord's name. This was a spiritual lesson that Jacob had to learn, that the person of God can and will never be fully encapsulated in a name. God is a great, powerful and mighty God, whose entire being cannot and should not be confined by or limited to a name. Instead, we read in Exodus 3:14 that the Lord tells us that "I AM WHO I AM."

## **The blessing of Jacob's new name**

After wrestling and interacting with the Angel of the Lord throughout the night, Jacob insisted on receiving a blessing from the Lord before he would let Him go. Jacob did not specify what type of blessing he was hoping to receive, but he was no longer after the material things of the world. He simply asked the Lord for His blessing, trusting in God's deliverance and plan for him. In response, the Lord blessed Jacob with a change of name to "Israel", which denoted Jacob's new beginning, like a child of God who was born again.

## **Our response to God's blessings**

We too have the privilege and opportunity to be born again in the Lord. We learnt that God has the power to take away our past, cleanse us from our sins, and give us a new present and future we can look forward to with eyes of faith and hope. Our new names are called "children of God", "saints of God". Though commencement may have been given by the Lord, it is up to us to continue persevering in our struggle against sin, and cultivating our faith, as we seek to develop a stronger relationship with God and live righteously for Him.



## THE LORD HAD BLESSED ABRAHAM IN ALL THINGS

It was the LORD who had given Abram a special Call;  
And with definite obedience, Abram had forsaken all.  
He left his homeland and even his beloved family;  
He determined that he would follow God faithfully.

The LORD honoured the Faith that Abraham displayed;  
Though there were missteps, his Faith was not mislaid.  
He stumbled at times, but he learned from experience;  
He would follow God truly and not just out of convenience.

The LORD in turn blessed Abraham in all things;  
He had wealth, health and many other blessings.  
His heart could not ask for more indeed;  
The LORD had graciously met all his needs!

The LORD's blessings stem from grace and mercy;  
Abraham recognised this truth most gratefully.  
He sought and practised his faith with great diligence;  
And the LORD truly blessed him and in great abundance.

Charles Tan

Inspiration: Genesis 24:1

# ANNOUNCEMENT



## MINISTRY IN PERTH

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Pastor Charles Tan is speaking in Bethel and will be away from 20th to 30th May. May the Lord bless the time of ministry there!



**28 MAY 2022**

Message: "Please, take my blessing that is brought to you"

Text: Genesis 33:8-20

The relationship between Jacob and Esau was reconciled. Joy, brotherly love and affection were expressed as they embraced each other and wept. The Lord did not just answer Jacob's prayer of deliverance, He had brought the two estranged brothers together.

Jacob could now "see the face of God". He knew that God effected this reconciliation with Esau. It was God who had been present with him right from the beginning, protecting him and prospering him. He was no longer a distant God, or the God of Abraham and Isaac. He was indeed the God of Israel.

May we be desirous to learn more about how the Lord worked in Jacob's heart and life!



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