

# 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 come before the Lord with grateful hearts for His goodness toward us. May we draw ever closer to the Lord as we offer worship to Him, and discover more about Him through His Word!



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# COME AND WORSHIP

## *Your Saints Shall Praise You*

The works of God are wondrous and worthy of praise (Psalm 145:4-6).  
One of the awesome works of God is in the lives of men.

**10** All Your works shall praise You, O LORD,

And Your saints shall bless You.

**11** They shall speak of the glory of Your kingdom,

And talk of Your power,

**12** To make known to the sons of men His mighty acts,

And the glorious majesty of His kingdom.

**13** Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,

And Your dominion endures throughout all generations.

PSALM 145:10-13

### **FROM SINNER TO SAINT**

1. Formerly a sinner

a. Enslaved to sin

b. Estranged from God

2. Called to be a saint

a. Holy

b. Set apart to be God's special people

The conversion of our souls from a sinner to a saint is a great and mighty work indeed!

## **SAINTS IN THE KINGDOM OF GOD**

The Psalmist David had struggled with grievous sins. How could he be considered a saint? How could he deserve a place in God's holy and righteous kingdom? God's graciousness, compassion, longsuffering and mercy are altogether evidenced as He receives unworthy men into His glorious Kingdom.

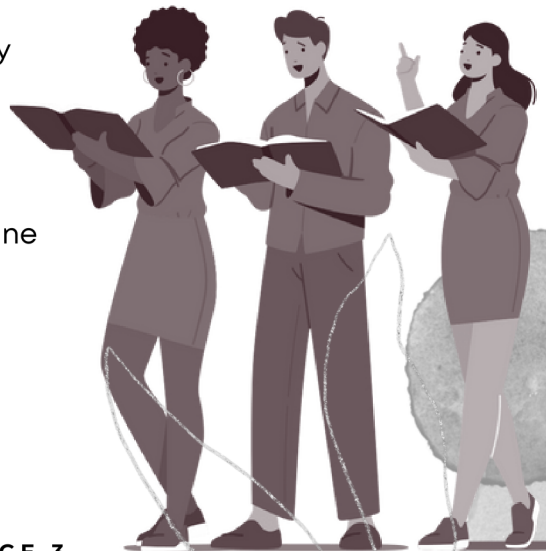
God's plan of Salvation for men was made even more apparent through the life and death of our Lord Jesus Christ. While we are still sinners, in exercising our faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, we receive imputed righteousness and we are holy in God's eyes. The saints of God can look forward to the Lord's continuing work in helping us to put away our sins and adorn righteousness. We can also look forward to the blessings that come with being part of God's everlasting kingdom.

## **RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORK IN OUR LIVES**

God's work ought to leave an indelible mark in our lives, impelling us to share with others His mighty acts, and the wonderful privilege of being part of His Kingdom.

Let us be challenged to personally

- understand the work that God
- delights to do in each of our lives,
- and seek to respond to God's
- goodness with grateful and genuine
- praise!



# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## YOUTH WORSHIP SERVICE

30 JULY 2022

### Prelude

Pianist: Gabrielle Wan

### Call to Worship

Pastor Charles Tan

### Opening Prayer

Pastor Charles Tan

### Song Leading

1. Yesterday, Today and Forever

2. Grace

Vanessa Quek & Olivia Lai

Pianist: Gabrielle Wan

### Scripture Reading:

Genesis 37:12-36

Bethany Toong, Tessa Kang,

Chloe Tang & Ong Yanning

### Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Mitchell Tan

### Message:

"Look, this dreamer is coming"

Text: Genesis 37:19

Pastor Charles Tan

### Closing Prayer

Pastor Charles Tan

### Postlude

Pianist: Gabrielle Wan

# MY NOTES

30 JULY 2022

**“LOOK, THIS DREAMER IS COMING”**

GENESIS 37:19

# WORSHIP SONGS



## Yesterday, Today and Forever

By Ricky Beeching

Everlasting God

The years go by but You're unchanging

In this fragile world

You are the only firm foundation

Always loving, always true

Always merciful and good

So good

### ***Chorus:***

Yesterday, today, and forever

You are the same, You never change

Yesterday, today, and forever

You are faithful and we will trust in You

Uncreated One

You have no end and no beginning

Earthly powers fade

But there is no end to Your kingdom

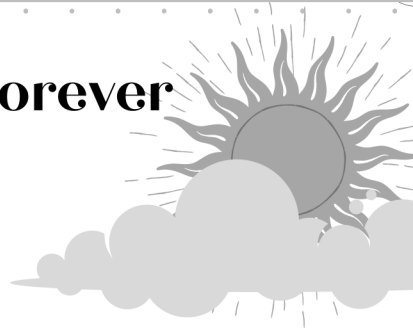
Always loving, always true

Always merciful and good

So good

### ***Chorus***

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# Grace

By Carolyn Hamlin

Lord, as I seek Your guidance for the day,  
I find my thoughts unyielding,  
Confusion crowds my way.

But then when I bow to You,  
The challenges You guide me through,  
Your promises are ever new,  
I need them for today.

## **Chorus**

Your will cannot lead me  
Where Your grace will not keep me,  
Your hand will protect me,  
I rest in Your care.  
Your eyes will watch over me,  
Your love will forgive me,  
And when I am faltering,  
I still will find You there.

Each new day's design  
Is charted by Your hand,  
And graciously revealed  
As I seek Your master plan.

Keep my footsteps faithful  
When from You I go.  
Return me to the joy that  
Your blessings can bestow.

## **Chorus**

Your eyes will watch over me,  
Your love will forgive me,  
And when I am faltering,  
I still will find You there.

(end)



# REVIEW OF GOD'S WORD

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

## **YWS MESSAGE - 23 JULY 2022**

### **“THE SON OF HIS OLD AGE”**

#### **GENESIS 37:3**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

1. A complex history of Jacob
  - a. Four wives
  - b. Twelve sons
  - c. One daughter
2. Focus on Joseph
  - a. The rest of the book of Genesis
  - b. The underlying features had already been told

#### **BROTHERS WORKING TOGETHER**

1. The sons of Bilhah (maidservant of Rachel)
  - a. Dan
  - b. Naphtali Genesis 35:25
2. The sons of Zilpah (maidservant of Leah)
  - a. Gad
  - b. Asher Genesis 35:26
3. A bad report
  - a. A bad report was made to Jacob
  - b. This was brought by Joseph  
who was 17 years old Genesis 37:2
4. A bad relationship
  - a. Not specifically stated
  - b. But an obvious result



## THE FAVOURITE SON

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| 1. Jacob loved Joseph more than all his children                       | Genesis 37:3a |
| 2. Reason given: "He was the son of his old age"                       | Genesis 37:3b |
| 3. Favouritism evidenced<br>"Also he made him a tunic of many colours" | Genesis 37:3c |

## A QUICK EVALUATION OF THE OTHER SONS

1. Not Simeon and Levi
  - a. Vicious
  - b. Wicked
  - c. Murderous
2. Not Reuben
  - a. He may have been the firstborn
  - b. But he lay with Bilhah, the maidservant of Rachel    Genesis 35:22
3. The others
  - a. They were also idolatrous    Genesis 35:4
  - b. The relationship with their father was not well-established

## HATRED OF JOSEPH

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| 1. They saw the love of Jacob lavished on Joseph | Genesis 37:4a |
| 2. They hated Joseph                             | Genesis 37:4b |
| 3. They could not speak peaceably to him         | Genesis 37:4c |

## THE FIRST DREAM OF JOSEPH

1. This was shared with his brothers Genesis 37:5a
2. They hated him even more Genesis 37:5b
3. Contents of this dream
  - a. The brothers were working together binding sheaves
  - b. The sheaf of Joseph stood upright
  - c. The sheaves of the brothers bowed to him
4. Consequences of sharing this dream
  - a. Rejection of this dream Genesis 37:8a
  - b. Increase of hatred of Joseph Genesis 37:8b
    - i. For his dream
    - ii. For his words

## THE SECOND DREAM OF JOSEPH

1. The sun, moon and the 11 stars bowed to Joseph Genesis 37:9
2. This dream was shared with Jacob and the brothers
3. Jacob had to rebuke Joseph
  - a. How could the father bow to the son? Genesis 37:10
  - b. But he kept the matter in mind Genesis 37:11b
4. The brothers
  - a. They envied him Genesis 37:11a
  - b. They could not share any dream

## **DREAMS IN THE ANCIENT DAYS**

1. God spoke to people in this special way
  - a. A dream given to Abram in a deep sleep      Genesis 15:12
  - b. Dream of Jacob at Bethel      Genesis 28:12
2. Joseph
  - a. He did not understand the dream given to him
  - b. He shared but without much understanding

## **CONCLUSION**

1. God plans for the future  
But we are not able to see the future
2. Where our future may be obscure
  - a. Because of sin in us
  - b. Because we have not dealt with our sins
3. Dangers that we must address:
  - a. Hatred
  - b. Envy
  - c. Poor character

# REFLECTION



WRITTEN BY

Chloe Tang

## **Introduction to Joseph**

Last week, we began studying Genesis 37 and were more formally introduced to Joseph. We learnt about the relationships he had with his family members and the rapport, or lack of it, he had with them.

## **Relationships**

In our own lives, we have many relationships with others. For instance, with siblings and other family members. We cannot change our blood relations with these individuals as we are born with them. However, this does not mean that familial relationships are strong and pleasant. Joseph had many half-brothers but his relationships with them were tenuous. There were many factors that led to this, and would later lead to disastrous situations for Joseph.

## **Favouritism and Covetousness**

The poor rapport between Joseph and his brothers could be partly attributed to the favouritism that Jacob had - how he loved Joseph much more than his other children, a symbol of that being the tunic of many colours. Because of the favouritism, Joseph's brothers had a lot of envy and hatred in their hearts such that they could not speak peaceably to him.

In our own lives, this may be reflected in how we view others around us. As one who has siblings, I know that sometimes we think that parents might pour out more love on one sibling, spend more time with them, and so forth. We may also feel that some family members are more talented, or have more impressive abilities that we ourselves do not have. This can lead to envy and misgivings between siblings. As children of God, we need to understand that these feelings, while human, are wrong in the eyes of the Lord. We can turn to God and remember that He loves each and every one of us, even if we may appear to be lesser in the eyes of the world.

### **Improving rapport**

How should we approach our relationships? In this passage we also saw how Joseph brought a bad report to his father, about his brothers. When God spoke to Joseph in a special way through his dreams, and showed Joseph how He would bless him, but he did not really understand the dreams. Lacking wisdom, he shared his dreams with his brothers. This suggested to his brothers that they would all bow before him one day. Even his father rebuked him when he shared his dreams. Joseph did not act with much sensitivity or empathy for his family members, with little consideration of their feelings. This caused their rapport to worsen even more.

In aiming to build better relationships, we need to seek God for wisdom. Without it, even though we may have no ill intentions, like Joseph, we may unwittingly hurt others and cause relationships to deteriorate. While Joseph managed to patch up his relationships with his brothers later on in life, we should not use that as an excuse to put off working on our own relationships. Let us press on and learn to be better family members and friends to one another!

## A FAMINE IN THE LAND

A famine occurred in the days of Abraham;  
And a famine once again plagued the land.  
Abraham once left for Egypt and put himself in danger;  
This was a lesson that the whole family must remember.

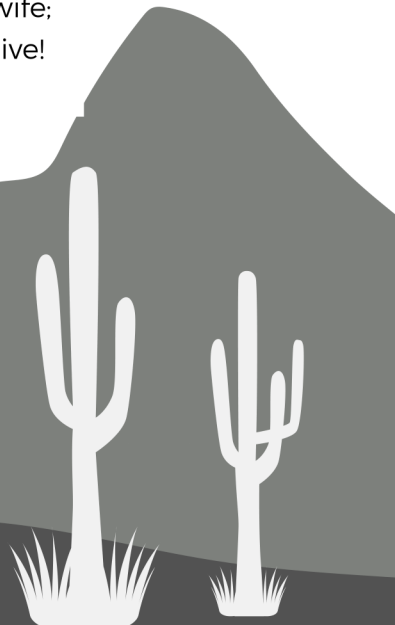
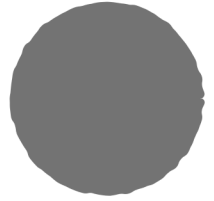
The LORD appeared to Isaac and gave him instruction;  
This special manifestation was such an inspiration.  
God's blessing would be given if Isaac chose obedience;  
It would take much faith to exercise full reliance!

Isaac obeyed and did not go down to Egypt as Abraham did;  
He chose to stay in Gerar; God's word, he would heed.  
But Isaac too was like his father Abraham in one respect;  
Isaac lied to Abimelech, a deed that he would regret.

Isaac, like Abraham, had sadly, failed the test;  
He was unable to fully trust; there was too much unrest.  
Abimelech discovered that Rebekah was Isaac's wife;  
He rebuked Isaac for having lied, just to remain alive!

Charles Tan

Inspiration: Genesis 26:1-11



# ANNOUNCEMENT



## CHANGE IN TIME FOR YOUTH WORSHIP

From the month of August 2022, the starting time of Youth Worship will be adjusted to give more time to our fellowship groups.

2:00pm : YPG

3:15pm : Youth Worship

# NEXT YWS



**6 AUGUST 2022**

Message: "Wicked in the sight of the LORD"

Text: Genesis 38:7

From the massacre in Shechem to the murderous intent toward their own brother Joseph, we have caught a glimpse of the evil that resided in some of the sons of Jacob.

The sad narrative of the wickedness in the sons of Jacob continues in Genesis 38, which describes the life of Judah.

May the examples of the sons of Jacob gravely warn us of the potential wickedness in our human hearts, and hasten us to pursue a living relationship with God!



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