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"For the Word of God and for the testimony of Jesus Christ" (Rev 1:9)

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LORD'S DAY 10 JUNE 2012

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Morning Service – 11am

Evening Service – 4pm

Prelude

The Lord Is in His Holy Temple

Call to Worship

Psalm 134

*Opening Hymn **

RHC 44 – “We Praise Thee, O
God, Our Redeemer”

RHC 48 – “O Bless Our God
With One Accord”

*Opening Prayer **

Jonathan Kim

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*Gloria Patri **

Glory Be to the Father

Responsive Reading

Psalm 119:145-152

Psalm 119:153-160

*Second Hymn **

Psalm 119 verses 145-146, 149-152
(to the tune of Manoah, RHC 17)

Psalm 119 verses 153-156, 160
(to the tune of Azmon, RHC 61)

*Announcements &
Memory Verse*

Jonathan Kim

Jonathan Kim

*Tithes & Offerings &
Doxology **

RHC 91 – “The Lily of the
Valley”

Scriptural Text

Matthew 16:21-23

Leviticus 23:9-22

Pastoral Prayer

Rev Timothy Ki

Rev Timothy Ki

Sermon Message

Jesus Foretells of His Sufferings

The Feasts of the Lord - Part 2

Lord's Supper

Rev Timothy Ki

*Closing Hymn **

RHC 189 – “I Know a Fount”

RHC 136 – “Come, Ye
Thankful People”

*Benediction / 3-Fold
Amen **

Rev Timothy Ki

Rev Timothy Ki

Postlude

The Lord Bless You

May the Grace of Christ Our Savior

THE LORD IS IN HIS HOLY TEMPLE

The Lord is in His holy temple,
The Lord is in His holy temple:
Let all the earth keep silence,
Let all the earth keep silence before Him -
Keep silence, keep silence before Him. Amen.

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy
Ghost,

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, Amen.

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE LORD BLESS YOU

The Lord bless you and keep you;
The Lord lift His countenance upon you,
and give you peace, and give you peace;
The Lord make His face to shine upon you,
And be gracious unto you, be gracious,
The Lord be gracious, gracious unto you. Amen.

Church Theme 2012 – “Have a Mind to Work” – Nehemiah 4:6

FROM THE PASTOR'S HEART.....

BIBLICAL PRAYER – PART 56

Last week, we studied a part of Paul's prayer from Ephesians 1:18 concerning the hope of God's calling and the riches of the glory of inheritance in the saints. To be able to understand his prayer better and to visualize for our benefits, I'd like to quote some prayers made by martyrs of Christ at the time of their deaths.

Deryk Carver was tried at the age of about forty. He denied the doctrines of transubstantiation and auricular confession before the bishop who questioned him. He said that the faith and religion being taught was not agreeable to God's Word and was not profitable. It was said that he was not able to read or write at the time of his apprehension, but he spent his time in prison wisely and before his death he was able to read well. On July 22, 1555, he was taken to die. He prayed as the flames came upon him: "O Lord my God, Thou hast written, he that will not forsake wife, children, house, and all that ever he hath, and take up thy cross and follow Thee, is not worthy of Thee. But Thou Lord knowest that I have forsaken all to come unto Thee! Lord have mercy upon me, for unto Thee I commend my spirit, and my soul doth rejoice in Thee." William Tyndale was a great scholar and Bible translator. One of his friends betrayed him and he was arrested in May, 1535. He was tried and convicted of heresy and treason. Even in his prison cell, he continued with his study. After eighteen months in prison he was strangled and then burned at the stake. His prayer was, "Lord, open the King of England's eyes." We know that his prayer was answered and King Henry VIII authorised the printing of an English Bible, known as the Great Bible.

Nicholas Ridley, who was a Bishop of Rochester, was martyred under the reign of Bloody Mary. He offered her his service as a Bishop on the Lord's Day, which was furiously refused by her. Initially the queen had dined with him, but when Ridley insisted on performing his religious duty, she became angry. Later he said, "Surely I have done amiss, for I have drunk in the place where God's Word offered hath been refused; whereas, if I had remembered my duty, I ought to have departed immediately, and to have shaken off the dust of my shoes for a testimony against this house." He was put into jail and waited for his execution. On the night before he was executed, he had supper with his custodian, Mr. Irish and his wife. The book *Noble Martyrs of Kent* testifies that he invited them to his marriage: "For,' said he, 'tomorrow I must be married.' And he was as merry as ever he had been before. And wishing his sister to be at his marriage, he asked his brother, who was at the table, whether he thought she could find it in her heart to be there, to which latter answered: 'Yes, I dare say, with all her heart'; at which he said he was glad to hear of her sincerity." He said: "Let the fire come to me, for I cannot burn." His last saying was, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." I am wondering where these men of God had gained such courage at the face of their own cruel death. I must point out that they knew the hope of their calling and the riches of the glory of their inheritance, which happened to be Paul's prayer. If any of the readers of this article know his/her own heart, that it is lukewarm and does not know what it means to rejoice in the Lord, Paul's prayer must be the prayer that he should make. I'll continue from the fifth point I started in the previous article.

(3) Paul prayed for the knowledge of "what is the exceeding greatness of his power to usward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power" in verse 19. Matthew Henry aptly sums up this prayer as a prayer of faith in an all sufficient God. (a) The Greek word for "exceeding" also means "to surpass" or "to throw over or beyond anything." It also means "to transcend." The power of God is not just great but beyond everything.

(b) This power is available to the ones who believe. Paul said this exceeding greatness of His power is to usward who believe. (c) Though this prayer may be made in all circumstances, I think, that it is, in particular, related to the power of salvation for our souls. In Ephesians 1, Paul talks about God's predestination of His own people from eternity ago in verses 3-6, His redemption by the blood of Jesus Christ in verses 7-12, and His sealing by His Spirit in verses 13-14. After having explained that all these points related to our salvation, Paul made his prayers. Therefore, I cannot remove an impression that the exceeding greatness of His power to usward is primarily applicable to our salvation. In fact, after this prayer, Paul again speaks about salvation in chapter 2. In particular, he says that faith is a gift of God, and salvation is a work of His grace in verse 8. The reason that salvation is a gift of God is because no one should boast of his salvation as if he has earned it by his own works (2:9). (d) As for Paul, such knowledge of the exceeding greatness of God's power toward the believers was very important. When they know and recognize that they are who they are because of God's grace and His mighty works, they cannot but be humbled and understand who they are and who God is. (e) The last two words from verse 19 are "mighty power." In Greek, both are nouns, and I must say that they are synonyms. Both mean power, might, or strength. Sometimes they may refer to ability or power. It is interesting to see that Paul has put two synonym words together to describe the sovereign power of God. Probably, this combination projects an idea of God's absolute power. Especially, the Greek word for "mighty" in chapter 1:19 is also used in 1 Timothy 6:16, "Who only hath immortality, dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto; whom no man hath seen, nor can see: to whom be honour and power everlasting. Amen." The word "power" in the phrase "power everlasting" is the same Greek word as "mighty." (f) Paul wants the believers, who are currently sad and depressed, to know that such mighty power is working for them. How many believers do not enjoy their precious salvation because they are not assured of their salvation? However, if they know that they are God's workmanship, and the exceeding greatness of the power of God works for them, can they not have a much more victorious life and live by faith alone?

Sixth, Paul prays that the believers may know Christ better in chapter 1:20-22, "Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set *him* at his own right hand in the heavenly *places*,²¹ Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come:²² And hath put all *things* under his feet, and gave him *to be* the head over all *things* to the church." From these verses it is important that we consider the knowledge about Christ . (1) It is because of the great work of God done for us in Christ Jesus. Knowing Christ better enriches our spiritual life and improves our communion with God. It is because all the works of God and the benefits from them are available to us, the believers, only in Jesus Christ. Therefore, there is no fellowship with God the Father without knowing God the Son. (2) This great work in Christ was accomplished by His resurrection and subsequent events like ascending into heaven and sitting at the right hand of the Father. It is worth noting that this very lesson is in the centre of the Gospel. Romans 10:9 says, "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." God the Father raised Jesus Christ from the dead, which provides the power and ground of our salvation. Paul prays that the believers may have definite knowledge of this divine truth. We know that there were confused people within early Christian churches over this issue of resurrection. Likewise, today there are professing believers who deny the bodily resurrection of Jesus Christ. However, Paul reminds us that the powerful work of God was, in, and will be done in Christ who was dead but rose again. Christ without resurrection is not the Christ of the Bible, who is the object of the saving faith.

Lovingly,

Your Pastor

WELCOME TO NEW LIFE B-P CHURCH LONDON

Our worship services begin promptly at **11.00 am and 4.00 pm**.

Please stay back for Bible Study and fellowship lunch after the morning worship and for tea after the evening service. Do invite your friends to come to Church.

APPOINTMENTS FOR THE WEEK			WELCOME
Next Lord's Day	Morning Service	Evening Service	LORD'S DAY DUTIES
Fri 15 June	No Young Adults Fellowship		We extend a warm welcome to all worshippers this Lord's Day. We like to welcome Jonathan Davey to our worship services last Lord's Day.
Sat 16 June	No Bible Study & Prayer Meeting		
Preacher	Rev Timothy Ki	Rev Timothy Ki	TODAY: 10/06/2012
Message	Reasons to Come After Jesus	The Feasts of the Lord – Part 3	Chairman: Jonathan Organist: Anthony Pianist: Joy
Text	Matthew 16:24-28	Leviticus 23:26-44	Ushers: Daniel / Constance Sunday School: Hannah / Joy Lunch: Hannah Washing Up: Volunteers PA Crew: John
NEWS/ANNOUNCEMENTS			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sunday Pre-Lunch Bible Study: Pastor Ki will continue the study on “Anthropology – The Doctrine of the Man”. Pray for those who are sick: Douglas, Barbara, Prema, Eld Ford, Margaret, May Chew, Constance, Deborah, Mrs Ki, Lai Kheng, Susan, Dr Carl Martin, Dr Scott-Pearson, Elizabeth. Pray for those on travel: Sonia, Nana. Pray for those seeking employment: Yetta, Michelle. Metropolitan Tabernacle School of Theology: 3rd - 5th July 2012. Theme: “Living & Walking in the Holy Spirit” Mid Week Bible Study: Held this Wednesday, 6 June, at 10:30am 			
Worship Service Collections - Last Sunday: £1760.23, Lunch: £56.00, Kenya: £140.00 Attendance - Morning: 35 (A) 3 (C), Evening: 21 (A) 3 (C)			
NEXT WEEK: 17/06/2012			
Chairman: Alan Organist: Joy Pianist: Anthony Ushers: John / Yetta Sunday School: Hannah / Joy Lunch: Maureen Washing Up: Volunteers PA Crew: Lee Wei / Yangfan			

SHORTER CATECHISM QUESTION 21

Q: Who is the Redeemer of God's elect?

A: *The only redeemer of God's elect is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God, BECAME MAN, and so was, and continueth to be, God and man in two distinct natures, and one person, for ever.*

Comments:

To *redeem* is to *buy back* something which has been possessed before, but of which possession has been lost. Now, Jesus Christ redeemed us with his own blood. And of this Redeemer we are here told that, being God, he became man; so that the two natures in him remain henceforth and for ever united in one person. Jesus Christ, we must remember therefore, is not something *between* God and man, but *both* God and man.

Proofs:

Acts 4:12, Hebrews 2:14, Revelation 1:18

MEMORY VERSE

Last Week	This Week	Next Week
<p><i>“Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.”</i></p> <p>Hebrews 10:25</p>	<p><i>“These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.”</i></p> <p>1 John 5:13</p>	<p><i>“Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God.”</i></p> <p>Ephesians 5:21</p>