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LAP BULLETIN

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Worship Schedule

SUNDAY

9.30 am
Worship
(English)

11.15am
Bible Class
(English)

3.45pm
Bible Class
(Mandarin)

5.00pm
Worship
(Mandarin)

7.00pm
Worship
(English)

THURSDAY

7.45pm
Bible Class
(English/Mandarin)

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Elders

Bro Jimmy Lau
Bro Lee Tian Seng

Deacons

Bro Henry Leow
Bro Jerry Cheong

Preachers

Bro Alvin Lin
Bro Ernest Lau

Administrator

Sis Goh Ser Ern

THE CHURCH OF CHRIST PRESENTS

Reasons to Believe

11 – 13 APRIL 2018
7:45 PM – 9:00 PM

CONCORDE HOTEL

100 Orchard Road Singapore 238840



SPEAKER

JOHN MOORE

JOINTLY ORGANIZED BY LIM AH PIN CHURCH OF CHRIST AND JURONG CHURCH OF CHRIST



Sermon outline

David, The Man After God's Own Heart

Sermon outline by bro Jimmy Lau

INTRODUCTION: David, The Man After God's Own Heart 1 Sam 13:14

1. Overview of David's Life – Faith, Courage, Sin, Repentance.
2. Why David was called a man after God's own heart? Acts 13:22 *"I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after mine own heart, **which shall fulfil all my will.**"*
- ❖ Observation: David's life was a portrait of success and failure, and the biblical record highlights the fact that David was far from perfect. But what made David a cut above the rest was that his heart was pointed toward God. **He had a deep desire to follow God's will and do "everything" God wanted him to do.** Such was a man after God's own heart

DISCUSSION: DAVID THE MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART

A: HOW WAS DAVID THE MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART?

1. **A FAITHFUL HEART** – David had absolutely faith in God.
 - i. As seen in his meeting with Goliath. 1 Sam 17:45
 - ii. As seen in his prayer life. Psalm 55:17
 - iii. As seen in his love for God's law. Psalm 119:97
 - iv. As seen in his writings. Psalm 23:1
 - v. As seen in his worship. Psalm 42:1
 - vi. As seen in his desire to build a temple for God. 2 Sam 7:2
2. **A SUBMISSIVE HEART** – David submitted to God's commandments. He would not kill Saul because Saul was God's anointed. 1 Sam 24:6
3. **A HEART FOR GOD'S LAW** – David absolutely loved God's Law. Psa 119:97
4. **A GRATEFUL HEART.** David gave thanks often. He was truly thankful. Psa 100:4.
5. **A HUMBLE HEART.** After his incredible defeat of Goliath, David was favoured by all Israel. He became a member of Saul's royal court. Still, he considered himself totally unworthy to

marry the king's daughter (1 Sam 18:18, 23-24). He knew God had blessed him, and he felt undeserving. He esteemed himself as nothing more than a dead dog or a flea (1 Sam 24:14). He honestly felt that he was too insignificant to threaten Saul's position. Eventually, when he did become king, he continued to reflect godly humility: "*Who am I, O Lord GOD? and what is my house, that thou hast brought me hitherto?*" (2 Sam 7:18).

6. **A REMORSEFUL HEART.** David was truly repentant. Psalm 51 is David's prayer of repentance to God: "*For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before me*" (Psalm 51:3).

7. **A PATIENT HEART.** David could have gotten the throne earlier if he had killed Saul, but he didn't. He knew that God would fulfil His plan for him if he patiently endured. 1 Sam 24:10

8. **A MAGNANIMOUS HEART.** Twice David had a chance to kill Saul but he did not (1 Sam 24:4-5; 26:9, 11). He wept when learned of Saul's death (2 Sam 1:17-19).

9. **A GENEROUS HEART.** David would not offer to God anything that cost him nothing. 2 Sam 24:24

10. **A SERVANT HEART.** David gave himself completely to serve God. He addressed himself as a "servant" (Psa 139:11) God called him "My servant David" (2 Sam 7:5).

B. BE A MAN AFTER GODS OWN HEART

- i. A man after God's own heart isn't perfect. 1 John 1:8
- ii. A man after God's own heart seeks to actively live in obedience to God. John 14:15
- iii. A man after God's own heart responds properly when confronted with his sin. 1 John 1:9
- iv. A man after God's own heart is concerned with spiritual things. Php 2:20-21
- v. A man after God's own heart loves and respects God's law. Psa 119:105
- vi. A man after God's own heart has a servant heart. 1 Sam 3:10
- vii. A man after God's own heart has a magnanimous heart; he does not hold a grudge. He forgives readily. Matt 5:44; Eph 4:31
- viii. A man after God's own heart is faithful. Heb 11:6

C. QUESTIONS FOR YOUR CONSIDERATIONS – HOW IS YOUR HEART?

- i. Do you have a heart like David?
- ii. Would God say of you as he said of David, "My servant David"?
- iii. Would God point you out as an example: "*Hast thou considered my servant Job?*" Job 1:8

CONCLUSION

- i. David has faults. David has afflictions. David accepts when God says NO. David continues to have faith in God. David loves God's Law and sought to follow it exactly. As a man after God's own heart, David is a role model for all of us.
- ii. What is God looking for? He is looking for men and women whose hearts are His completely. Micah 4:6
- iii. What will God say about you?
- iv. Which of the areas mentioned above need your greatest attention for improvement?



A Lesson from Jeremiah 37–39

Adapted from David Conley

(<http://gospelgazette.com/gazette/2018/mar/page15.html#article2>)

The king of Babylon, Nebuchadrezzar (also spelled Nebuchadnezzar in other texts) was making plans to attack Jerusalem. Since Babylon was the world's superpower of the day, this was of great concern to the residents of Jerusalem. The king in Jerusalem at that time was Zedekiah. Zedekiah had been very disobedient to God. God sent the Babylonians to Jerusalem as punishment for his disobedience.

Zedekiah was very concerned about the intelligence reports that he had received. Babylon was indeed preparing a mass attack on his city. He did the wisest thing that he could do. He called Jeremiah and asked him to pray to God for the country. This was a very smart move! Most people would have called for the generals and colonels to ask them for a battle plan!

Unfortunately, Jeremiah had bad news for Zedekiah. God **intended** for the Babylonians to punish Jerusalem for its sins. The answer to Zedekiah's prayer was to surrender to the Babylonians! Zedekiah had received the answer to his prayer, but it was not the answer he wanted! Since it was not the answer for which he was hoping, should he obey?

Instead of obeying the Lord (which he was not in the habit of doing), he allowed Jeremiah to be thrown into the dungeon by the rulers of the city. After Jeremiah had been in jail for a long while, Zedekiah called for him and asked him again, "Is there any word from the Lord?" Jeremiah said, "There is: for, thou shalt be delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon." Jeremiah told him the truth once again. Zedekiah treated Jeremiah a little better for a while, but later allowed the city rulers to put him in another dungeon where Jeremiah sank in the mire!

Jeremiah was about to die in this horrible place when one of Zedekiah's eunuchs begged him to get Jeremiah out of there. Zedekiah, once again, removed Jeremiah from prison and asked him if there was word from God. Jeremiah told him once again that if he refused to surrender to the Babylonians that he would be punished, and the city would be burned!

Zedekiah did not obey. Nebuchadnezzar attacked the city, killed Zedekiah's children before his eyes and then put out his eyes! Then the city was burned, just like God said it would be!

Do we only obey God when it suits us? Have you received the answer to your prayers but are unwilling to obey? Shouldn't we obey God in **all** things?



Meeting Reminder

Business Meeting

Date: 1 April 2018, Sunday

Time: 12.30pm

Meeting Agenda:

Church Annual Budget for FY2018/2019

Guests last week

1. Bro Patrick Ng (*Section 17 COC, Malaysia*)
2. Bro Yu Kong (*Malacca COC, Malaysia*)
3. Sis Deborah Tan (*Tai Ping COC, M'sia*)
4. Kenny Kee (*sis Debbie's husband*)
5. Peh Guang Rong (*sis Yan Ling's husband*)
6. Alexis Lim (*bro Samuel's wife*)
7. Gan Sok Ting (*bro Reuben's friend*)
8. Jonalyn F. Balagot
9. Lynette

UPCOMING EVENTS

MARK IN YOUR CALENDAR!

Teacher's Training Class

Date: Every Sunday – 8 April

Time: 1.30pm – 3pm

Venue: Church building (Foundation Class)

Teacher: Bro Peter Chin

All men are welcome to attend.

Gospel Meeting Tracting

Date: 31 March, Saturday

Time: 4.30pm

Venue: Blk 271C Punggol Walk S(823271)

Join us to spread the gospel!



YOUTH HOMEZONE

30 March | Friday (Public Holiday)
| 3pm-7pm |

Braddell View Club House

10 Braddell Hill, Singapore 579719

Program: Youth Seminar & BBQ

Topics:

Being a friend, being involved & being a leader

**All youths are invited to join us for an afternoon of
sharing, food & fellowship!**



Bible Curriculum

- of the month -

April

Sunday	1 Apr	8 Apr	15 Apr	22 Apr	29 Apr
Worship Sermon	Evangelism Topic Ernest Lau	Evangelism Topic Alvin Lin	Seeing the Mercy of God John Moore	Michael Yeo	Peter Kwan
Adult Class	The Unmerciful Servant Joel Lee	The Parables of the Tares Joel Lee	John Moore	The Persistent Widow Isaac Chua	The Lost Sheep Isaac Chua
Young Adult Class	Worshipping God Benjamin Kwan				
Foundation Class	Lessons from the Epistles Ernest Lau				
Upper Primary Class	Solomon's Final Word To Youth	Meet Isaiah	God Loves His People	A Wonderful Saviour	God's New House
	Tan Geok Eng				
Lower Primary Class	God protects Elisha	A little boy who shared	The fisherman spoke	Three friends on a mountain	A rich young ruler
	Clara Lau	Joan Ng			
Nursery Class	A boy who came home	Jesus teaches about God's house	The good shepherd	Zacchaeus meets Jesus	A net full of fish
	Ho Seow Hui				
Cradle Roll	Baby Jesus Lydia & Eunice				
Thursday	5 Apr	12 Apr	19 Apr	26 Apr	
Adult Class	Marriage: Why It Fails So Often	Gospel Meeting	Marriage: The Profound Significance Of "I Do"	Marriage: Is Not For The Immature	
	Andy Lin	John Moore	Andy Lin		
Primary Class	The Good Shepherd	Birds and Flowers	Jesus Heals a Sick Man	Peter Walks on Water	
	Christine Phang				
Nursery Class	Ruth	Samuel	Samuel Serves God All His Life	David as Shepherd	
	Melissa Foo				

NEWS



Thursday Bible Class

The Christian and
His Brother
by bro Paul Lim

Birthday of the week

25 Mar (Sun) – Lynn
26 Mar (Mon) – Alice
28 Mar (Wed) – Long Jun
29 Mar (Thu) – Kenneth Quek
30 Mar (Fri) – Celest
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prayer requests to
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PRAYER REQUESTS

Overseas:

- *Sis Shuan Kwee* in Hong Kong
- *Sis Farah, bro Siang Yee, bro Gavin* in London, UK, for studies
- *Bro Long Jun* in China
- *Bro Nigel* in Dubai
- *Bro Kenneth Liong* in California, US

Health

- *Sis Baby's & Auntie Yeoh's* health
- *Sis Suan Kiang's, sis Linda's, sis Peiyi's & sis Molly's* health
- *Sis Molly's brother's* health
- *Bro Roberto's* migraine
- *Sis Doris's* recovery from her spine surgery
- *Bro Capi's mother's* health
- *Sis Jenny's mother's, Sis Siew Siew's mother's, sis Shu Fang's mother's & sis Doris's mother's* health
- *Lisa, bro David & sis Jenny's daughter*, from giddiness & headaches

Pregnancy

- Sis Lydia (Jun'18), sis Jasmine Chan (Jun'18), sis Debbie (Jun'18)

NSF

- Bro Kevin, bro Wei Jie, bro Benedict

MEN-TO-SERVE SCHEDULE

Morning Worship @ 9.30am		25 Mar 2018	1 Apr 2018	8-Apr-18
Song Leader		Amos Yang	Justin Kwan	Jonathan Yang
Opening Prayer Leader		Benjamin Tan	Michael Yeo	Low Chong Ping
Psalms Text		Psa 59:1-9	Psa 59:10-17	Psa 60:1-12
Preacher		Jimmy Lau	Ernest Lau	Alvin Lin
Lord's Supper Text		Php 2:5-11	1 Cor 11:23-29	Mar 14:22-25
Lord's Supper Servers	<i>Scripture Reader</i>	Nicodemus Oey	Shawn Wong	Nicodemus Oey
	<i>Prayer: Bread</i>	Henry Leow	Andy Lin	Charlie Teo
	<i>Prayer: Fruit of Vine</i>	Farand Lim	Benjamin Tan	Kenneth Quek
	<i>Prayer: Offering</i>	Andy Lin	Joel Lee	Timothy Ng
	<i>Assistant</i>	Zachary Ling	Ng Wei Xiang	Leonard Chia
Announcer		Benjamin Kwan	Ernest Lau	Jimmy Lau
Greeters		Wu Wenyu Lois Chee	Benbin Aspacio Ellen Hernandez	Jessica Patete Maria Fu
Evening Worship @ 7pm				
Song Leader & O.P.		Kevin Lee	Joel Lee	Jeremy Kwan
Speaker		Timothy Ng	Ong Jun Wei	Lee Tian Seng
Lord's Supper, Giving & C.P.		Ling Leong Dak	Martyn Gostelow	Paul Lim
Thursday Service @ 7.45pm				
Song Leader			Alvin Lin	Alvin Lin
Opening Prayer Leader			Lee Tian Seng	Peter Chin
Closing Prayer Leader			Reuben Lim	Kenneth Quek