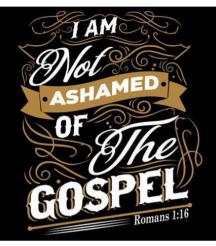


2020 Year Theme: Be Strong and Courageous!Joshua 1:9

Worship Theme: The Gospel of Redeemed Relationship by John Lim Text: Rom 1:16-17, 3:22-31; Matthew 7:21-29; Psalm 31:1-5, 19-24



Why You Cannot Separate God's Law from God's Love.

Get A Real Relationship.

Psalm 31, an individual complaint psalm, expresses confidence in God's mercy and concludes with reflections on the blessing and the curse.

Let us express confidence in God for we are not ashamed of the gospel.

The threads that tie this week's scriptures together are the themes of the law and God's response to obedience and disobedience.



The texts from Romans present Paul's reflections on the relationship between faith, grace, and the law. It concludes that the "law of faith" does not overthrow the law, but upholds it instead.

The gospel of Matthew urges actions as well as words, and distinguishes between those who will and those who will not enter the kingdom of heaven.

> Obedience is An Act of Faith; Disobedience is The Result of Disbelief.



EVENTS

1 November 9.30 am Online Bible Class The Parable of the Rich Man and the Beggar Lazarus by Cher Yam

11.00 am Live Stream Worship The Gospel of Redeemed Relationship by John Lim

4 November 7.30 pm Online Wed Bible Class The person the Lord approves by Cher Yam

Zoom Prayer Warriors 8.00 pm Every 2nd & 4th Tue Lim Lian Chye

<u>Gladiolus Place</u> <u>Devotions</u> 7.30 pm Every 2nd & 4th Mon

> Use this QR code to access Online Worship





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In-person Congregational Worship Service continues today (up to 100 persons maximum). Members who intend to worship in the church premises on Sunday are to register and submit the online form on the PPCOC website each week. You may also use the QR code on the left of this FOCUS Newsletter.

You can join us in worship by going to <u>www.ppcoc.org</u> and click on our Online Worship under Resources tab or Quick Links. You can also check the Donate tab on how to make bank transfers to the church for tithes and offerings.

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Family News, Concerns & Prayers

Thanksgiving and Prayer Requests

- 1. Dear brethren, thank you for providing a beautiful place for my mother, sister Yit's funeral service. We truly appreciate your time and sacrifice, and for making sure that our family was properly taken care of throughout the past few days. We will always be grateful. Your thoughts and prayers have helped soothe the sadness in our hearts. Although this is a difficult time, we are deeply comforted knowing she has gone to a much better place - home to be with the Lord. May God bless you! -Ang Family
- 2. Sister Hedy donated \$2000 to the Building Fund in loving memory of her mother, sister Tan (Mdm Lim Kong Lang).
- 3. Our condolences to bro. Michael Choo on the demise of his father, Mr. Choo Chin Meng on 26 Oct 20. Please pray for him and his family during this time of bereavement.

PPCOC Rebuilding Project Update

There will be a comprehensive update by the Building Committee at the Church AGM tentatively scheduled for 22 Nov 20. Among other things, this update will cover the project milestones, cost, floor plans and external facade.

We are thankful to the Building Committee for their tireless effort, despite the restrictions during the pandemic, to continue working on the project, making adjustments to the plans as required by the authorities and attempting to trim the cost when able.

More details of the AGM will be made known next week. Let us continue to pray for God's leading in the rebuilding project.

| GOAL | AMILESTONI | RE-BUILDING: A MILESTONE IN THE HISTORY OF PPCOC | |
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| Goal \$8.7mil | Pledged Donations | S\$ 5,919,372 | |
| DATE: 1 Nov 2020 | Pledged Loans * | S\$ 695,000 | |
| | Ad-Hoc BF Donations (Cumulative collection to date) | S\$ 394,240 | |
| | Pledges & Ad-Hoc BF Donations | S\$ 7,008,612 | |
| | Amount to achieve \$8.7m goal | S\$ 1,691,388 | |
| | Total Collection (Pledges Fulfilled & Ad-Hoc BF Donations) | S\$ 4,063,697 | |
| | Note: * Pledged Loans to be repaid from 1 ye | ear after TOP | |

1 November 2020



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(C) Donate via PayNow (QRCode)

- Scan the QR code using your mobile banking app
- 2. Verify that it shows: Church of Christ PPG, S76SS0008AGFD
- 3. Indicate your name in the "Reference No." (optional)
- 4. Enter the amount you wish to contribute
- 5. Click next, verify the details and confirm.



Church of Christ Pasir Panjang Sunday Worship Attendance

Starting today, a maximum of 100 persons is allowed for the In-person Congregational Worship Service every Sunday. Members who intend to worship in the church premises must register before Friday noon for successful balloting.

Registration is open from **Monday** and the cut-off date/time for submission will be **Friday, 12 noon,** for the coming Sunday Worship Service.



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FEEDBACK on Church Matters



Pledge & Building Fund Committee Peter Lim Jim Kawi Grace Mariaraja **Elders** SimonGoh Peter Lim Lim Swee Aun Terry Wan

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Beng Chuan 96393008 eMail:<u>tanbengchuan@ppcoc.org</u> On Monday, 12 October 2020, **sister Hong Ngee** shared a devotion with the girls at Gladiolus Place.

She introduced to them the book of Proverbs in the Old Testament as a book of wise sayings that will help us live a good and righteous life.

She shared Proverbs 15, which teaches us to control our tongues with gentle answers and have discerning hearts that seek wisdom. This wisdom originates from the "Fear of the Lord".



The girls took turns reading the 33 verses. Sister Hong Ngee also taught them to sing the song "Angry Words". The devotion ended with prayers for the girls' exam preparation, exam results and their well-being. May God continue to guide us in this Youth-at-Risk Ministry.



15 A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.

²The tongue of the wise adorns knowledge, but the mouth of the fool gushes folly.

- ³The eyes of the LORD are everywhere, keeping watch on the wicked and the good.
- ⁴The soothing tongue is a tree of life, but a perverse tongue crushes the spirit.
- ⁵A fool spurns a parent's discipline,

but whoever heeds correction shows prudence.

⁶The house of the righteous contains great treasure,

but the income of the wicked brings ruin. ⁷The lips of the wise spread knowledge,

but the hearts of fools are not upright.

⁸The LORD detests the sacrifice of the wicked, but the prayer of the upright pleases him.

⁹The LORD detests the way of the wicked,

but he loves those who pursue

righteousness.

¹⁰ Stern discipline awaits anyone who leaves the path;

the one who hates correction will die. ¹¹ Death and Destruction lie open before the LORD—

how much more do human hearts!

¹² Mockers resent correction, so they avoid the wise.

¹³A happy heart makes the face cheerful, but heartache crushes the spirit.

¹⁴The discerning heart seeks knowledge, but the mouth of a fool feeds on folly.

¹⁵ All the days of the oppressed are wretched, but the cheerful heart has a continual feast.

¹⁶ Better a little with the fear of the LORD than great wealth with turmoil.

¹⁷ Better a small serving of vegetables with love than a fattened calf with hatred.

¹⁸A hot-tempered person stirs up conflict, but the one who is patient calms a quarrel. ¹⁹ The way of the sluggard is blocked with thorns, but the path of the upright is a highway.

²⁰ A wise son brings joy to his father,

but a foolish man despises his mother.

²¹ Folly brings joy to one who has no sense,

but whoever has understanding keeps a straight course.

22 Plans fail for lack of counsel,

but with many advisers they succeed.

²³ A person finds joy in giving an apt reply and how good is a timely word!

²⁴ The path of life leads upward for the prudent

to keep them from going down to the realm of the dead.

²⁵ The LORD tears down the house of the proud,

but he sets the widow's boundary stones in place.

²⁶ The LORD detests the thoughts of the wicked,

but gracious words are pure in his sight.

²⁷ The greedy bring ruin to their households, but the one who hates bribes will live.

²⁸ The heart of the righteous weighs its answers,

but the mouth of the wicked gushes evil.

²⁹ The LORD is far from the wicked,

but he hears the prayer of the righteous.

³⁰ Light in a messenger's eyes brings joy to the heart,

and good news gives health to the bones.

³¹Whoever heeds life-giving correction will be at home among the wise.

³² Those who disregard discipline despise themselves,

but the one who heeds correction gains understanding.

³³Wisdom's instruction is to fear the LORD, and humility comes before honor.

