

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!

Every Worship is a special time spent with the Lord. May our ears be inclined to hear the voice of our Great and Awesome God, and may our spirit be renewed in this sweet fellowship that we can have with Him!



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COME AND WORSHIP

FOR THE LORD MOST HIGH IS ⇒ AWESOME ⇐

Have you been part of a standing ovation? Feelings of exhilaration would fill the air as your ears ring with the sound of thunderous applause and joyous cheers. The highest of acclamations is what our awesome Lord Most High deserves.

1 Oh, clap your hands, all you peoples!
Shout to God with the voice of triumph!

2 For the LORD Most High is awesome;
He is a great King over all the earth.

3 He will subdue the peoples under us,
And the nations under our feet.

4 He will choose our inheritance for us,
The excellence of Jacob whom He loves.

PSALM 47:1-4

The superscription of Psalm 47 attributes the writing to the sons of Korah. They were servants of God who functioned as assistants to the priests. Some would also assume the role of leading the congregation to praise and worship God. The beautiful words penned in Psalm 47 describe some of many reasons that we should praise and worship our God!

GOD IS AWESOME IN MANY WAYS

1. He is Great
 - a. He is the great King
 - b. His reign is over all the earth
 2. He is Powerful
 - a. The nation of Israel did not need to be afraid of their enemies
 - b. God would personally subdue them
 3. He is Gracious
 - a. God chose the people of Israel to be His children
 - b. He also prepared an excellent inheritance for them
 4. He is Loving
 - a. Abraham was given the promise of inheriting the land of Canaan
 - b. This promise was extended to Abraham's descendants, including Jacob
 - c. Though Jacob did not have a consistent faith, God was faithful to His promise
 - d. All God did for Jacob was out of His supreme Love
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APPRECIATING GOD'S AWESOMENESS TOWARD US

The attributes of God are unchanging. His love and grace shown to Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and the nation of Israel demonstrate the way that He would care for each of us. We identify with Jacob in our struggle to walk consistently with the Lord. However, we are reminded that it is God who, in His perfect love, has called us to be His dear children (1 John 3:1). Not only have we received the precious gift of having God as our heavenly Father, we have also been given the best inheritance.

Let us respond well to God's love and grace for us by desiring to seek Him with all our hearts. May we come to discover the depth of His love and the riches of His grace in our lives!

ORDER OF WORSHIP

YOUTH WORSHIP SERVICE

26 NOVEMBER 2022

Prelude

Pianist: Gabrielle Wan

Call to Worship

Pastor Charles Tan

Opening Prayer

Pastor Charles Tan

Song Leading

1. Away In A Manger

Ong Yanning

2. Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Pianist: Gabrielle Wan

Scripture Reading:

Genesis 45:16-28

Ong Yanning & Goh Yuanli

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Moses Kwek

Message:

"The spirit of Jacob their father revived"

Pastor Charles Tan

Text: Genesis 45:27

Closing Prayer

Pastor Charles Tan

Postlude

Pianist: Gabrielle Wan

MY NOTES

26 NOVEMBER 2022

"THE SPIRIT OF JACOB THEIR FATHER REVIVED"

GENESIS 45:27

WORSHIP SONGS

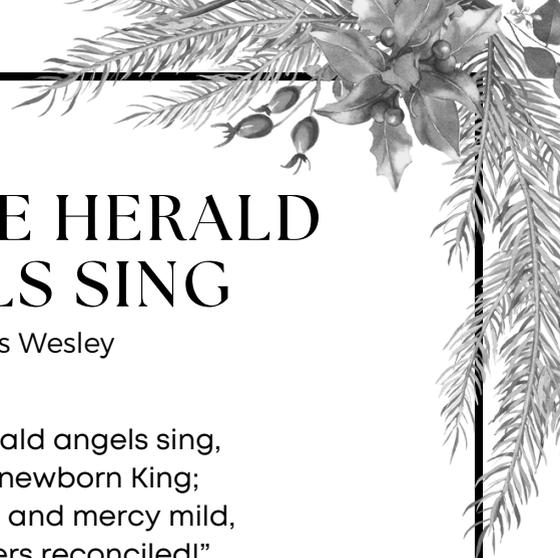
AWAY IN A MANGER

1. Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,
The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head;
The stars in the bright sky looked down where He lay,
The little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.

2. The cattle are lowing, the Baby awakes,
But little Lord Jesus, no crying He makes;
I love Thee, Lord Jesus! Look down from the sky,
And stay by my cradle, till morning is nigh.

3. Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to say to stay
Close by me forever, and love me, I pray;
Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care,
And fit us for Heaven, to live with Thee there.





HARK THE HERALD ANGELS SING

By Charles Wesley

1. Hark! The herald angels sing,
“Glory to the newborn King;
Peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!”
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
Join the triumph of the skies;
With angelic host proclaim,
“Christ is born in Bethlehem!”

Chorus:

Hark! The herald angels sing,
“Glory to the newborn King.”

2. Christ, by highest heav'n adored;
Christ, the everlasting Lord!
Late in time behold Him come,
Offspring of the virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see;
Hail th'incarnate Deity!
Pleased as man with men to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel.

Chorus:

Hark! The herald angels sing,
“Glory to the newborn King.”



3. Hail the heav'n born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings,
Ris'n with healing in His wings.
Mild He lays His glory by,
Born that man no more may die;
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth.

Chorus:

Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King."



REVIEW OF GOD'S WORD

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

YWS MESSAGE - 19 NOVEMBER 2022

“I WILL PROVIDE FOR YOU” GENESIS 45:11

INTRODUCTION

1. The Disclosure of Joseph to his brothers was awkward for them
2. They needed to process what Joseph had declared to them
3. Fear filled their hearts because of their past wickedness

JOSEPH'S FURTHER WORD TO HIS BROTHERS

9 “Hurry and go up to my father, and say to him, ‘Thus says your son Joseph: “God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not tarry.

10 You shall dwell in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near to me, you and your children, your children’s children, your flocks and your herds, and all that you have.

11 There I will provide for you, lest you and your household, and all that you have, come to poverty; for *there are* still five years of famine.”

Genesis 45:9-11

1. Bringing a word to their father, Jacob

2. This message may be divided in the following way:

a. A personal word

i. Joseph was the source of this message

“Thus says your son Joseph” Genesis 45:9

ii. A deep sense of affection may be detected

iii. There was joy in naming himself as the son of Jacob

iv. God was exalted in this message

1. It was God who had blessed Joseph

2. It was God who had made him “lord of all Egypt”

b. An invitation was given to Jacob

i. To come and see Joseph in Egypt

ii. To dwell in the land of Goshen Genesis 45:10a

iii. To be near to Joseph Genesis 45:10b

c. This invitation was extended to all that Jacob had

i. His children

ii. His grandchildren

iii. His flocks and herds

iv. All that he had (including servants)

JOSEPH'S FIRM PROMISE TO PROVIDE

1. He will provide for all of them

a. The famine was only in the second year

b. There would be five more years to go

2. Without this provision, the family would fall
into poverty Genesis 45:11

a. This was a humbling reality

b. This was a grim fact in the face of a severe famine

REASSURANCE IS GIVEN

12 “And behold, your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that *it is* my mouth that speaks to you. **13** So you shall tell my father of all my glory in Egypt, and of all that you have seen; and you shall hurry and bring my father down here.”

Genesis 45:12-13

1. The words of Joseph
 - a. He was speaking before their very eyes
 - b. Benjamin’s name was included for good effect
2. These words
 - a. They were not false words
 - b. They were not a trap
 - c. They were genuine
 - d. They were words of love and forgiveness
3. They must respond positively
 - a. They cannot continue to stand there
 - i. Wondering in disbelief
 - ii. Unable to respond because of deep fear
 - b. They must hurry back to their father
 - i. He would be alone
 - ii. All his sons were in Egypt
 - iii. He would be worrying about their well-being
 - c. They may speak to their father about Joseph
 - i. How he is arrayed in glory
 - ii. How they must all plan to leave Canaan and dwell in Egypt
 - d. Of course, it would mean that
 - i. They would have to confess their past sinful behaviour
 - ii. But in the light of the circumstances, all would be overlooked

REACHING OUT TO THE BROTHERS

14 Then he fell on his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, and Benjamin wept on his neck.

15 Moreover he kissed all his brothers and wept over them, and after that his brothers talked with him.

Genesis 45:14-15

1. Joseph had to make the first move
 - a. He went to Benjamin
 - b. He wept on Benjamin's neck
 - c. Benjamin in turn wept on Joseph's neck
2. Joseph then went on to each of his brothers
 - a. He wept over each one
 - b. Only then was the barrier of fear removed
3. This was a tearful time of reunion for the brothers
 - a. It was genuine grace and mercy extended
 - b. It was great to be a family they never enjoyed
 - c. Gratitude was felt by all
 - i. To God for His mercy
 - ii. To Joseph, their benefactor

CONCLUSION

1. God's mercy was felt deeply that day
2. His blessings must never be taken for granted

REFLECTION

Written by
Rayne Quek

Last week at Youth Worship, we learnt about the aftermath of Joseph's disclosure. His brothers were dumbfounded and even fearful because of their past actions. Yet Joseph was extremely selfless and promised to provide for his family by asking his brothers to call their father to Egypt to stay in the land of Goshen for the remaining five years of famine. Joseph promised them provision, which was thorough and ideal, to bring them through the famine. We also see the extremely emotional reunion of Joseph and his brothers, with Joseph crying on Benjamin's neck and kissing all his brothers. The brothers were also overwhelmed with emotions and no longer felt fearful of their brother as they knew the grace extended to them was genuine.

From this lesson, I learnt how truly unfathomable God's plan for us is. Every challenge or hardship is part of His plan for us. Just like God's plan for Joseph, it is not possible for us to understand it wholly. Who would have thought selling Joseph away as a slave would result in him becoming the second most powerful ruler in Egypt? Joseph continually acknowledged and trusted God despite his circumstances and built a genuine faith, which allowed him to fulfil God's plan for him.

I have come to realise the importance of God in our lives. Many things in the world we live in are out of our control. Only our Heavenly Father can extend His grace and mercy toward us to provide for and protect us. Personally, the prospect of losing a loved one has never really been real to me until recently, when my grandfather was admitted to hospital. All of a sudden, a new-found fear of losing a loved one emerges and I am left utterly helpless. I am reminded of Romans 8:28, "And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose." I cannot control the outcome of the current situation, but what I can do is to trust in the Lord. All I can do is to pray and continue growing my faith and building a relationship with Him, knowing that all that happens is according to His plan. It is my personal challenge to learn to have a heart with a genuine love for and trust in our Heavenly Father because I know such a heart will enable me to go through life's ups and downs with certainty and peace of mind.



YOU ARE MY BONE AND MY FLESH

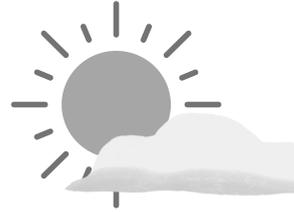
Laban heard about Jacob's arrival in his land;
He was delighted, but he had his own plans.
He spoke with great skill and Jacob did not know;
Laban was a very cunning man, relative or no!

He declared that Jacob was his bone and flesh;
That sounds wonderful, but to trust would be rash.
Jacob was naïve in the ways of a foreign land;
He simply trusted Laban, his heart and plan.

Jacob stayed in the home of Laban for some time;
Laban had observed him, and he was not blind.
He could make use of a worker like Jacob;
He knew his nephew would put in great effort.

He offered Jacob a job with appropriate salary;
Jacob considered this offer, for he was happy.
He had fallen in love with Rachel, Laban's daughter;
He offered to serve Laban for seven years, for her!

Charles Tan
Inspiration: Genesis 29:13-18



ANNOUNCEMENTS

26 NOV 2022

YW NEWSLETTER

Which school should I apply for? What subject combination or course should I pursue? Should I spend time with my friends or my family today? We are called to make a myriad of decisions on a daily basis. Thaddeus Heng shares with us his struggles in decision-making, and the importance of involving God throughout the process.

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YOUTH CONFERENCE 2022

“MY STRENGTH & MY SHIELD” PSALM 28:7

At this year’s Youth Conference, we will seek to learn important principles of Faith through the study of the life and writings of King David. Learning from David, who sought to relate to God in prayer and apply his faith when problems arose, we hope to be better equipped to face life’s challenges with trust in God.



REGISTER

FOR YC 2022 TODAY!

Scan QR code to register:



Details:

Dates: 5 - 9 Dec 2022 (Monday - Friday)

Venue: Bethany IPC Main Sanctuary

Time: 9:00am to 2:00pm daily
(Lunch will be provided)

Fees: \$25.00

Payment method:

Either via cash OR online bank transfer /
Paynow (UEN: S86SS0049J)

For Online bank transfer, please indicate
“YC2022” in the Reference.

Youth Conference 2022 is open to youths
aged 13 and above.

If you have any enquiries,
please do not hesitate to
reach out to anyone of us:

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CHRISTMAS CAROLLING 2022

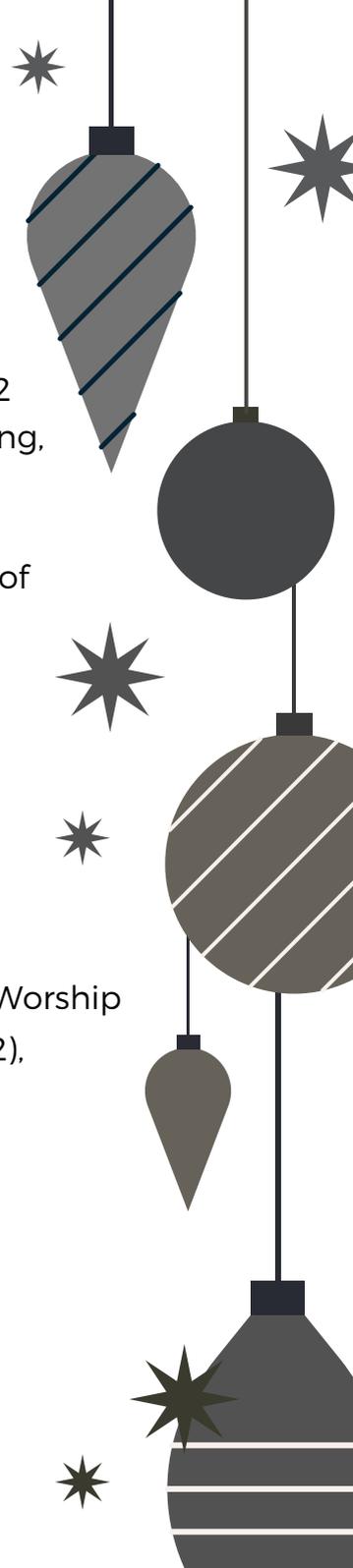
Christmas is fast approaching in less than 2 months' time! With much joy and thanksgiving, we look forward to a time of singing and fellowship at our Christmas Carolling Programme. Let us renew our appreciation of the Lord's goodness and greatness this Christmas!

DETAILS

DATE	17 December 2022, Saturday
TIME	5.00pm
VENUE	Bethany IPC
PROGRAMME	We will begin with a time of Worship in the main sanctuary (Level 2), followed by Dinner at Level 1.

Please plan to sign up early!

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CHRISTMAS AT SHANGRI-LA 2022

What special joy it brings to gather as a congregation to celebrate Christmas at Shangri-La! Let us look forward to magnifying the Lord and proclaiming the good tidings of great joy this Christmas!

Date

Sunday, 25 December 2022

Time

Christmas Worship Service will commence at 10.30am, followed by Christmas Lunch

Venue

Shangri-La Hotel

Scan QR Code to register
for Christmas Lunch:



NEXT YWS



3 DECEMBER 2022

Message: "Then God spoke to Israel"

Text: Genesis 46:2

In the many years that Jacob thought his beloved Joseph had died, grief took hold of his life and he lost all motivation to live. During this time, he was withdrawn and far away from the Lord.

After learning that Joseph was still alive, Jacob's spirit and faith revived! Finally, Israel offered worship to the Lord at Beersheba, on his way to Egypt. There, the Lord graciously reached out to him through a vision. How Israel must have missed the voice of the Lord, and the sweet fellowship with his God!

What did the Lord say to Israel? Find out at next week's Youth Worship!



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