

MIRACLE SERVICE REPORT

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Tonight's sermon entitled **GOD IS LOVE** by Pastor Pacer was interpreted from English to Hokkien by Brother Alan Koh. The Bible says God loves and also He is love. So everything He does is a result of His love. When we say God is love, it means He does not love once in a while or when He feels like it. His unwavering love is unconditional.

Love is a defining attribute that describes God. Some of us may be put off when we hear the church talks about God and His love. We are baffled by so much hatred in the world even when it is said that we have a loving God. At the start of mankind, when Adam and Eve were created, God gave them the ability to love. Sadly, the Bible shows us that a serpent deceived them. When Adam and Eve sinned, they allowed sin, disease, war, hatred and everything that is bad and evil to come into the world. God is not the author of hatred.

As sinners, we should be hated by God. But the good news is that throughout the Bible, we are told that God loves us. Furthermore when people think about Heaven and hell, they accuse the church, saying that if God is love, there should be no hell but only Heaven. If everyone dies, all should go to Heaven. Think of three of the worst people you have ever met. Assume that they never change and are always bad and wicked. If they live their lives here on earth wickedly and get everything they want and when they die, they go to Heaven, is that fair? If you say it is fair, then Hitler, any world dictator or every murderer

is in Heaven right now. Is that fair? Is that correct? Certainly, it is not. God is love, and He is also righteous. His love and His righteousness must go hand in hand. How does this work? God is love and He will not force you to follow, trust and obey Him or live by His rules. Yet you must understand that the Bible says the consequences and wages of sin is death.

A documentary on television about drug abuse shows the lives and struggles of drug addicts and how they try to overcome their addiction. Many find it very difficult to overcome their addiction. To feed their addiction, many steal and even become drug traffickers to pay for their habit. The responses of their loved ones are interesting and telling. When the loved ones, be they spouses, parents and siblings, are interviewed on television, their responses are simple and matter-of-fact. Even though they love their husbands, sons and brothers who are drug addicts, they rather that they do not stay with them because other members of the family may be at stake. In order to protect their family members, the drug addicts have to clean themselves up first before they return to their families. Although their loved ones long for them to return, they also desperately want them to change. They do not want them to stay the same. This is a simple explanation about Heaven.

Heaven accepts sinners like you and me who come to Father God and say, "I'm wrong. I'll change and stop doing what's not good." You may not be a drug addict. But sin is so broad. If you tell a lie, it is a sin. If you think of lustful thoughts, it is a sin. There are so many things that are wrong and not pleasing in the sight of God. The biggest problem in this entire universe is how God can allow sinners like you and me to enter Heaven. The church says it is the Cross of Jesus Christ. Jesus came to live a perfect life so that you and I may live. He died to pay the price for every single wrong that we have done and that is the Gospel message. That is why the Bible says God is love. We do not deserve His mercy, grace and love. But because He is love, He pours down His love on us and what we need to do is to receive it.

The Bible says we should love one another. It may sound simple until we try to put it into practice. Even in a marriage, we do not do the right thing to show true love. We are still selfish. The problem with love these days is that it is so diluted. Love is not looking at a pretty girl and trying to date her. That is the world's definition of love. The Bible does not go by feelings or emotions. So there is nothing you can

do can make Him love you less or nothing you can do to make Him love you more. His standard of love is different. Parents with children may prefer one child over another even though they will not admit it, but say they love their children just the same. But there will always be someone the parent loves more. We are human and we cannot help it. One of your children will be more like you; he or she will say the right things to make you happy. So we cannot love like God. The way God loves is different from us. If He loves like us, we are in trouble. God's love is unconditional.

Instead the Bible tells us that we should love like God. Love is from God and if we love, we have been born of Him and we know Him. If we begin to love like God, lives will be changed, our society will be transformed, our families will be stronger and most importantly, it is proof that God has completely forgiven us. If we do not love, we do not know Him because He is love.

Once again, we are tempted to think of the worldly kind of love. In Hitler's memoirs and documentaries, he was a loving husband by worldly standard. It may seem that everyone knows God, but that is not the case. This is a different kind of love. It is a God-kind of love. It is a love that says if someone has wronged me, I will not like it but by God's grace, I will have the power to forgive the person who has wronged me. This is the kind of love that if your son and daughter do something really terrible, you will still want to love and restore them to God. A God-kind of love is so different.

Tonight, you need to know and experience His love. And by that love, you can become a loving person. Not the way you used to love, but the way Jesus loves. God shows His love by sending His Son to pay the price for us on the Cross so that we might live through Him. It is not enough to be forgiven which is the start of the Christian faith. Forgiveness must lead us to live through Jesus so that our lives are completely impacted by Him. Let us suppose you owe a rich businessman a lot of money and you go to him and say you are unable to pay. In an act of kindness, he tells you he forgives you and clears your debt. That forgiveness is wonderful, but it does not mean you are changed. You could leave the businessman's house and be exactly what you were. But the Bible speaks about God's forgiveness

and love in such a way that when we experience it, we will go away with possibility of change. Using the former example, you can thank the businessman and learn from him. That is the example of having your life being changed and transformed by the One that forgives you (1 John 4:7-10).

We say we want to be forgiven, but it better to say we want to be forgiven and loved. If you begin to love like God, it is proof that you know Him and that you are truly forgiven. You can be a Christian for some time and have been in church for some years, but your life has not changed. You thank God for that forgiveness, but you always question yourself that your life is still the same. Tonight, there is time to pray that God will change your life. When you know this God of love, you will want to be transformed by His love. Once you are forgiven by Jesus, your life of eternity begins. Your life must slowly and steadily change. You will begin to give up certain things, like bad habits, vices and friendships that are bad for your soul.

Tonight, the sick were touched and healed by the power of Jesus. For three weeks, Josephine Yap felt **pain in both her knees**. She has been coming to the Miracle Service for prayer. Initially, she could not bend her knees because of excruciating pain, but now she can. God also answered her prayers for her niece who was married for eight years and unable to conceive. The niece just gave birth to a premature baby girl and she is now perfectly normal. Praise God!

God healed Eliana Chua by removing the **pain in her left molar tooth** so that she does not need to get it extracted. She was also delivered from **insomnia** after suffering from this condition for five years. She now sleeps like a baby. Hallelujah!

Magdalene had spots in her eyes last month. After prayers, the **floaters in her eyes** were entirely gone. Praise God!

Victor Goh had a **splitting headache** for two months on the left side of his head. He watched the Miracle Service online and was progressively healed. To be cleared of any doubt that there was no tumor in his head, he went for a scan and the results were favorable. They could not find anything. He is totally free from headache. Praise the Lord!

TO GOD BE ALL THE GLORY!



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Next Sunday
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By Pastor Rony Tan

May 2016
51 Salvations
13 Rededications
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麻烦来的时候怎么办

提摩太前书6:12
你要为真道打那美好的仗，持定永生。你为此被召，也在许多见证人面前已经作了那美好的见证。

生活中早晚会遇到麻烦，大大小小的试炼和困难。每个人都会面临考验的时刻。有时风暴突然而至，完全在意料之外。有时日子一帆风顺，我们感觉良好。

这一天似乎还没有结束，各种预期不到的麻烦相继而来。问题是生活的一部分，所以我们要时时准备好。对于麻烦我们需要有计划性的回应，因为麻烦来了之后，人更容易软弱。所以保持坚强是最好的准备的。

麻烦困难来的时候，你要做的第一件事情就是祷告，“神啊，帮助我稳定我的情绪。”

不要让你的情绪主导你。接着你要做的就是相信神。恐惧出现的头一秒，立刻祷告。

保持情绪的稳定，相信神，祷告。在神给你答案之前，继续作应当做的事情，守承诺。不要因为有了困难就停止服侍神。这个世界上对神守承诺最好的时候就是在苦难和困境中。当魔鬼看到试炼和困难无法阻止你对神的心，他会暂时放过你。

为了下一个困难的时候做准备，这样练习：“我要忠于神，神也会给我基于苦难两倍的祝福。撒旦，你以为能伤害到我，但是我却得到了双倍的祝福，因为我是一个殷勤寻求神的人。”

华文系统研经课程2016年下半年课程计划

好多信徒都时时说不晓得如何向神祷告！今年的下半年学段，就让我们一起从圣经里最长的一卷书《诗篇》来学习如何向神感恩、祈求或说“对不起”！同时，享受圣经诗歌的真善美！当然，在这新学段里，我们更要从使徒保罗的书信《提摩太后书》里得到来自耶稣的激励！再次思考基督教信仰的核心！再次给生命的心志下定义！

课程的其他详情如下：

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| 第三 | 6月28日至8月16日 | 1. 诗篇 2. 提摩太后书 | 兀兰会所 淡滨尼会所 | 沈喜华 高启发 |
| 第四 | 9月20日至11月8日 | 1. 提摩太后书 2. 诗篇 | 兀兰会所 淡滨尼会所 | 高启发 沈喜华 |



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June 23, 2016 THURSDAY UPPERLIGHT Prayer Items

- Miracle Service
- Healing of Broken Marriages
- Sunday Services and Weekday Activities
- Powerlight
- Shinelight
- Divine Protection Upon Our Environment

Lighthouse Discipleship Program SPIRITUAL GIFTS & ANOINTING

The Lighthouse Discipleship Center conducts classes on various topics that can nurture your spiritual journey. That is why the LDC is excited to invite you to their new course in July. This is a 4-session class led by Pastor Colin, who will discuss lessons on your Spiritual Gifts & Anointing. It meets over four Tuesday nights in July at Lighthouse Woodlands.

The purpose of this course is to help you discover your gift(s) so that you can serve God more effectively for the common good. The course content covers primarily the nine aspects of spiritual gift that Paul mentioned in 1 Corinthians 12:8-10.

The topics covered include:

- How each spiritual gift operates
- How to identify the spiritual gift(s) in your life
- How to develop each gift
- How to operate these gifts through the anointing of the Holy Spirit

All are welcome to attend the course. Don't give it a miss! See you there!

Dates : July 5, 12, 19 and 26 (Tuesdays)

Time : 8.00 – 10.00 pm

Venue : LE Woodlands

Lecturer : Pastor Colin Wong



Dad, may God bless you on Father's Day and always. 原上帝的祝福临到父亲们从今日直到永远。

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| Numbers 6:24-26 (NASB) | 民数记 6:24-26 |
| 24 The LORD bless you, and keep you; | 24 愿耶和華賜福給你，保護你。 |
| 25 The LORD make His face shine on you, And be gracious to you; | 25 愿耶和華使他的臉光照你，賜恩給你。 |
| 26 The LORD lift up His countenance on you, And give you peace.' | 26 愿耶和華向你仰臉，賜你平安。' |

SCRIPTURAL FOUNDATION COURSE 1 (SFC 1)

Our new SFC 1 classes are commencing soon.

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| Who Should Attend? | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ New believers who want to establish a basic spiritual foundation. ▪ Pre-believers who wish to learn more about God. ▪ Believers who want a refresher course. |
| Teaching Materials | Rock Foundation and Firm Foundation (written by Senior Pastor Rony Tan) |
| Course Commencement | July 2, Saturday, 3.00 pm @ LE Tampines July 3, Sunday, 9.00 am @ LE Tampines July 3, Sunday, 11.15 am @ LE Woodlands |
| Duration | 7 Lessons of 2 hours each |

Luke 6:48

He is like a man building a house, who dug deep and laid the foundation on the rock. And when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently against that house, and could not shake it, for it was founded on the rock.

Don't delay your spiritual growth further. Sign up for this course straight after the service. Forms are available at the counter!

AN EXCERPT FROM THE BOOK

Clearing Cobwebs

WRITTEN BY PASTOR RONY TAN

\$12 per copy



AM I FAR AWAY FROM GOD?

Communication and sharing of thoughts and concerns sustain and deepen any relationship. Likewise, when we cultivate the spiritual devotion of reading the Bible and praying to the Lord, we are deepening our relationship with God.

Unanswered prayer is the cause of many Christians' departure from the faith. Many of these disappointed believers fail to understand that there are conditions attached to effective praying.

The two major conditions of effective prayer are:

- the answer to your prayer should glorify God
- your prayer should be in line with God's Word.

The promises of God are there for you to:

- live by and conduct your life with integrity and a clear conscience
- claim confidently and boldly, especially when you have cultivated a clear conscience.

Learn to cultivate the habit of breathing prayer or praying without ceasing. Start by talking to God in your waking moments.

If you have strayed away from God because of negligence of both prayer and Bible study, please know that He is waiting and longing for you. Our loving Lord and Savior is only a prayer away.

The Master's Son

Lord I'm here again
After quite awhile
My back against the wall
No where to run
So here I am again

Lord I'm back again
Can't make it on my own
My heart is turned around
I now face You
So here I'm back again

Lord I'm here once more
I see Your open door
I hear the music play
And all the servants say
"Here comes the Master's son!"

So Lord I'm back today
I've paid a heavy price
I'll never turn my back
On You again
'Cos I am here to stay

You need not be far away from God. Just draw nigh to Him in prayer and He'll draw nigh to you. He is only a prayer away.

