

Announcements

CHINESE NEW YEAR WEEKEND SERVICES

Please take note of the changes in the worship services during the Chinese New Year weekend:

There will be **NO** Sunbeam and WEB services for all centres. Children are encouraged to join the main adult services. **No Momentum service on 17 Feb (Sat).**

BPJ English Services: 18 Feb, Sun, 8.30am and 10.30am only. No 12.30pm service.

WDL English Service: 18 Feb, Sun 8.30am only. No 10.30am service.

East English Service: 18 Feb, Sun, 9am only. No 11am service.

Mandarin Service: 18 Feb, Sun, 10.30am
BPJ Centre – Grace Sanctuary
WDL Centre – Chapel 1

Combined Hokkien Service: 16 Feb, Fri, 9am at BPJ Centre, Main Sanctuary.

China Fellowship Service: 18 Feb, Sun, 3.30pm at WDL Centre, Chapel 1.

No Indonesian Fellowship in both centres on 18 Feb, Sun.

Filipino Fellowship on 18 Feb, Sun:
BPJ Centre – 8.30am and 10.30am as usual
WDL Centre – 8.30am as usual

BREAKTHROUGH WEEKENDS

Registration for Breakthrough Weekends is still ongoing at regular rates. Sign up now!

SEAN MCDOWELL CONFERENCE

Is truth dead? Does it matter? Evangelical Free Church of Singapore Young Adults Committee will be hosting Sean McDowell on the topic of relative and absolute truth.

Date: 12 Mar (Mon)

Time: Seated by 7.45pm

Venue: WDL Centre

This is a free event, but registration is required as seats are limited. Sign up at tinyurl.com/efcsyac2018 by 25 Feb.

PARENTING TRAINING

Parenting with Love is for married couples preparing for their first child.

Dates: 24 Feb and 3 Mar (Sat)

Time: 12pm – 5pm

Venue: WDL Centre

Register at the Information Counter.

FOOD DELIVERY FOR ELDERLY DURING CHINESE NEW YEAR

All slots to prepare and deliver lunch and dinner to 30 elderly residing in Teck Whye and Bedok South during the first three days of Chinese New Year have been taken up. A big thank you to all who responded!

MEMBERSHIP CLASS

Register at the Information Counter.

Date: 10 Feb (Sat)

Time: 9am – 4pm

Venue: ACKCentre



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Sun 8.30am, 10.30am, 12.30pm

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Sun 8.30am & 10.30am

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SERVICE LEADER: PS BARNEY LAU • WORSHIP LEADER: BENJAMIN AND SHARON TAN

Being A Certain Kind

PS MATTHEW LO, THE NEXT GENERATION

What kind of person are you? How would the people close to you describe you? Perhaps you have been described as pleasant, kind, generous, cautious or humble. But has anyone described you as *a certain kind*? This is the intriguing way we hope to describe disciples of Christ in Covenant EFC.

A certain kind of person is a Christ-mastered kind. He is not the kind of Christian who is simply saved, knows the "key verses" to help get by in life, engages in the occasional quiet time, prays in times of desperation and shows up in church and Covenant Group. Instead, he deeply desires more of Christ and less of himself, wants to dive deeper into experiencing God's grace, increasingly grows his appetite for the Scriptures, and continuously seeks to grow deeper in his relationship with a triune God, wanting his character and inner desires to reflect Jesus!

A certain kind acknowledges that he cannot be Christ-mastered on his own, but must be empowered by the Holy Spirit to fulfill God's will, in God's time for God's glory. He is radically committed to *a certain kind* of purpose who through *a certain kind* of process reproduces *a certain kind* of product.

It is a lot to take in. Yet it is what the Scriptures calls us to be: "... I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own ... but that which comes through faith in Christ, ... that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death" (Phil 3:8-10).

Being *a certain kind* does not happen overnight. It is a journey. How does this journey start? It starts by really wanting it! By allowing God to strip away all our security blankets, and placing our lives into His hands — by surrendering to Him. As you surrender, enter the incredible journey of *a certain kind*!

Sermon Outline

Ministry: So as to Reproduce Disciples of *A Certain Kind*

SCRIPTURE: TOPICAL • SERMON: PS MATTHEW LO

Introduction:

Five Marks of a Disciple:

A. Grounded in the Word Of God (John 15:7)

B. Submits Fully to the Lordship of Christ (Luke 9:23)

C. Walks in Love (John 13:34 – 35)

D. Bears Much Fruit (John 15:5)

E. Equips Others and Multiplies (Ephesians 4:12)

Conclusion

NEXT WEEK'S SERMON SPEAKERS:

11 FEB - REV TONY YEO (BPJ), REV TAN KAY KIONG (WDL) AND PS BARNEY LAU (EAST)

Last Week's Sermon Summary

Multiplication Through Intentional Disciplemaking

SCRIPTURE: 2 TIMOTHY 2:2 • SERMON: REV TONY YEO

Introduction

1. There is a Chinese saying "fu bu guo san dai" which means wealth doesn't pass beyond three generations.
2. This happened to the three generations in Israel:
 - a. First Generation (Josh 24:15): Convinced Faith – knew God and had the reality of faith.
 - b. Second Generation (Josh 24:31): Convenient faith – only knew the works of God and had a routine faith.
 - c. Third Generation (Judg 2:10): Compromised faith – knew neither God nor His works and rejected the faith.
3. Paul gives to young Timothy the blueprint for spiritual multiplication.

Spiritual multiplication is possible for every disciple when we:

A. Apply What We Hear (v.2a)

“the things which you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses.”

1. *Akouo* – listen intently. When the Bible talks about hearing, it is not simply hearing to understand information, but to undergo transformation.
2. Context: False teaching, fundamentals challenged, and discipleship deficit in 2 Timothy 1. 2 Timothy 2:1 – the need to be strengthened by God's grace.
3. The “things” Timothy heard were the foundational truths of the Gospel that Paul preached.
4. “In the presence of many witnesses” – Timothy's ordination of laying hands or baptism where many witnesses heard the charges Paul gave to his “son” Timothy. These witnesses included Barnabas, Eunice (his mother), Lois (his grandmother), and other significant Christian leaders.
5. Many do not hear well due to distraction and impatience. Illustration: The Bible is not just a book of messages but essentially a book of meetings. Application: Resume morning devotion and restrict modern gadgets.
6. The challenge of discipleship is not information but application. Listen to obey (John 10:27).
7. Focus: What is one truth you heard you need to apply and obey?

B. Entrust What We Hear (v.2b)

“entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.”

Churches don't make disciples; disciples make disciples. But don't just make disciples; make disciplemakers!

1. Entrust – *parathou*, commit in trust, as a deposit, put something precious into somebody's hands and that person becomes responsible for it
2. Two qualities to look for in passing it on:
 - a. “reliable” – faithful, trustworthy
 - b. “qualified to teach others” – capable, competent, willing, able to teach others
3. D.A.R.P. principle: Discover the truth, Apply the truth, Reap the benefits, Pass it on
4. Others – *heteros* denotes not just quantity, but also speaks of having the same quality

Conclusion

Video clip of Covenant EFC kids 10 years ago: "You're losing us ..." In 10 years, would you have made a difference? Who are the people God is calling you to invest in?