

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SHORT-TERM MISSION TRIPS

STM Trips for 2019 are now available for sign-up. Please register before the end of January 2019 if you are interested to go on any of the trips in the first six months of the year.

Countries we will be ministering in are:

1. Malaysia - Klang
2. Mongolia – Ulaanbaatar & beyond
3. Indonesia - Pekanbaru, Batam, Bandung, Surabaya
4. Philippines - Manila
5. Vietnam - Hanoi
6. Cambodia - Phnom Penh, Siem Reap
7. Myanmar - Maubin
8. Katmandu - Nepal

**Closing date for registration is 31 January 2019**

#### Requirement & Commitment

- a) Tripper must be a member of a CG and attending CG regularly
- b) Tripper must be committed to attending STM training and team meetings.

Register for trips at <http://cefc.ch/2019STMTripsRegistration> or view the information on more trips in 2019 at <https://www.cefc.org.sg/index.php/about-us/our-ministries/missions>

### COMMUNITY BLESSINGS

It is currently a good time of the year to bless seniors with mobility issues and are living alone! These seniors' existing meal delivery service takes a temporal break during the 1st and 2nd Day of Chinese New Year.

We invite Covenanters to prepare home-cooked food and delivery as our way to love the community for Christ.

Please message Vincent Chia on Whatsapp at 98428275 to sign up or enquire.

### COVENANT CHOIR

Do you have a passion for singing? Do you yearn to use your voice for the kingdom of God?

The Covenant Choir is looking for new members to join their family!

An audition will be held on 26th January. Interested Covenanters please sign up at <https://step-up.cefcapps.com> For more details, email [cv.chorale@gmail.com](mailto:cv.chorale@gmail.com).

### INVISIBLES RECRUITMENT

Are you looking for a fun and supportive community to serve the Lord together? Come and be a part of *The Invisibles!* We are looking for volunteers to serve in the area of audio, visual, video, and lights. Training will be provided.

Sign up at <https://step-up.cefcapps.com> today! Email [barnabas.ngai@cefc.org.sg](mailto:barnabas.ngai@cefc.org.sg) for more information.

### MEMBERSHIP CLASS

Register at the Information Booth.

**Date:** Sat, 26 Jan

**Time:** 9:00am to 4:00pm

**Venue:** ACKCentre

### BREAKTHROUGH WEEKENDS

Watch out for the early bird registration of Breakthrough Weekend next **Sun, 13 Jan!**

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SERVICE LEADER **REV WILLIAM WONG** // WORSHIP LEADER **KAREN LIM**

## My Eye Is Upon You

REV TAN KAY KIONG & REV TONY YEO, SENIOR PASTORS

In the month of December, this verse came up to me twice:

**Psalm 32:8 (ESV)**

*I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go;*

*I will counsel you with my eye upon you.*

The words “**instruct**”, “**teach**” and “**counsel**” are all very important words for a teacher and guide. God is the A-star Instructor, Teacher and Guide. Surely, no one can do a better job than Him. But am I an A-star learner, student and counsellor?

God must know how much I **need** His guidance, but do I know how much I **want** it? Or am I fixated on my will, my way and my wisdom?

The New Living Translation for Isaiah 55:8-9 is paraphrased this way: “My thoughts are **nothing** like your thoughts ... My ways are far **beyond anything** you could imagine.” Wow!

God, the Omnipotent and Benevolent Father of all His children says He will be our Personal Guide despite our propensity to stray from Him (Ps 32:1-7). How will He do it?

**“My Eye Is Upon You!” says the Lord.**  
How so?

**God's Instructive Eye:** Every parent or trainer understands this. What joy would it be if simply by looking at our children or trainee, they would understand what should or should not be done! Similarly, if we know what God wants and gladly do it, what joy it would bring to Him. In this age wherein we are bombarded by many temptations and we tend to treat God's commands lightly, let's follow His Instructive Eye!

**God's Watchful Eye:** More than just an instructive eye, God's eye is watchful too. Again, every parent or trainer understands this when they see their children climbing up dangerous playground structures or execute difficult moves. Their eyes become alert and watchful. It's the eye of great compassion, the desire to protect and keep them safe. God likewise seeks to celebrate our wins and He is there to pick us up when we fall.

As we enter 2019, this is God's first promise to us as Church: My instructive and watchful eye is upon you so that you can embark in authentic discipleship and intentional discipling — to Win a Soul, Change a Life and Send a Mentor. 2019 is the Year of Proclamation when we will see God using us to bless many!

**Experience God's eye upon you!**

## SERMON OUTLINE

SCRIPTURE **2 PETER 3: 8-10** // SERMON **REV TAN KAY KIONG**

# That None Should Perish

## Introduction

### A. We Overlook God's Immeasurable Patience (2 Peter 3:8-9)

– *“The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise ... but is **patient toward you,**”*

### B. We Overlook God's Impending Judgment (2 Peter 3:10)

– *“But **the day of the Lord will come like a thief...**”*

## Conclusion

### NEXT WEEK'S SERMON SPEAKERS:

13 JAN – REV EDMUND CHAN (BPJ, WDL & EAST)

## LAST WEEK'S SERMON SUMMARY

SCRIPTURE **ACTS 28** // SERMON **PS ANN CHAN**

# The God Worth Living For

## Introduction

The ending is always better than the beginning.

Acts 1:8 summarised the book of Acts. *“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and the end of the earth.”* Indeed all these are fulfilled!

Acts 28 closes with Paul in Rome. More importantly, it is the statement that the ‘gospel goes forth unhindered’. What an ending! The work that Jesus began, was carried by the disciples and Christians for 2,000 years and is passed on to us in this generation.

Acts 28 closes with two strong reminders for us at the close of 2018:

### A. The God Who Suprientents Over Our Circumstances (vv.1-10)

When we are able to recognise God's unfailing protection and love for us, we will respond in love.

#### 1. We are to expect hardship just like Paul.

In Acts 27, we saw 276 people on board rescued. They landed on the island of Malta. There was great confusion amongst them but they received great reception from the islanders.

#### 2. We are to trust God by holding fast to His promises.

In the midst of great threats, Paul believed that God called him to Rome and that he will not die at sea. He was also protected from a viper.

#### 3. We are to continue the Work.

Paul also healed Publius' father, and he was greatly honoured. By then, he had more work to do, praying and ministering to more people.

### B. The God Who Strengthens Our Witness (vv.11-31)

Fear will have no grip over our lives when we are filled with love.

#### 1. We must be obedient to God's call.

Paul was very determined to obey the heavenly call to go to Rome and testify before Caesar. So he set his eyes resolutely on Rome and did not get sidetracked or gave excuses.

#### 2. We must boldly proclaim Christ when the opportunity arise.

Paul persuaded the Jewish leaders to examine Jesus the Christ, citing from the books of the law written by Moses that Jesus is the promised Messiah. Salvation has now come to the Jews as well as the Gentiles.

#### 3. We are to be bold and courageous.

We are to be bold and courageous because God will empower us. Paul was fearless and courageous.

## Conclusion

When God is worth living for, He is also a God worth dying for! When we live with a sense of gratitude, we will discover that God is both **great** and **good**. He is sovereign over us.