



THE ANGLICAN DIOCESE OF SABAH

The Church of The Good Shepherd

Weekend Worship Service: 17 May 2020



Message from Our Senior Priest

None of us would imagine how Covid-19 could have impacted on the whole world. Except all those who are in the Medical field, very likely that many of us were not aware of the historical pandemic which had

happened just over 100 years ago. That is the Spanish Flu (1918-1920). It is estimated about 500 million people were infected by the said virus and 50 million deaths (please visit this website @ <https://www.cdc.gov/flu/pandemic-resources/1918-commemoration/1918-pandemic-history.htm>). Looking at history, surprising some historical events do repeats. But more importantly what can we learn from it?

There are many histories of the past in the Bible, where some were recognized under world historical events. For example, the Noah's Ark and the global flood (see Genesis 7-8) with the support of archaeological discoveries. More important question to ask is what was the intention for it to be recorded down in the Bible? Surely all of us who have read and study the Bible in depth of that event know the reason and purpose of the said event. Ultimately, the historical event of the global flood is for us to take note on God's salvation plan! Beside the failure of mankind to be what God intended all to be, God's grace is another important truth to be captured.

The Bible also reveals that many people repeat the same mistake from one generation to another. The most obvious example is sin! Solomon wrote in **Ecclesiastes 7:20**: "Indeed, there is no one on earth who is righteous, **no one who does what is right and never sins.**" The problem of sin is worst than Covid-19! Covid-19 only kills the body. But sin kills both the body and the spirit of every human being forever! Every generation should be accountable to God and responsible for their personal sins. From Noah's Ark we have seen God's redemption plan for those who fear and honor Him. Today's redemption is found in Jesus Christ alone. History recorded His death & resurrection too! Today, if we confess and believe that Jesus Christ is Lord and put our trust in Him, we will experience forgiveness of sins and a restored relationship with God. We will see the reality and the fullness of life with God when Jesus Christ comes again! What we need now is to **STAY SAFE AND STRONG in the Lord & stay FOCUS AND FAITHFUL in Christ** in the midst of Covid-19 pandemic (**Revelation 14:12**: "This calls for patient endurance on the part of **the people of God who keep his commands and remain faithful to Jesus.**")!

COGS Vision

To Be like Jesus (Rom 8.29) **so to fulfill the Great Commission** (Mat 28.18-20) **by obeying the Great Commandment** (Mat 22.37-39) **with the empowerment of the Holy Spirit** (Acts 1.8) **in Sandakan &**

Online Services

Sunday

Eng/Chi : 9.00 am

BM : 11.00 am



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COGS' NEWS

A Blessed Teacher's Day

to all our active teachers,
private tuition teachers
& retired teachers at
COGS! We thank God for your
love, care, patience & tireless
effort for educating the children.

**COGS will continue ONLINE SERVICES
until further notice!**



At our church front gate, we have put up this
notice for everyone's attention. Thank you
very much for your co-operation.

尊敬的访客, 感谢您为以下事项给予配合

Pelawat yang dihormati,
terima kasih atas kerjasama anda untuk perkara-perkara berikut.



请检测您的体温。
Sila periksa suhu badan anda.



请确保戴上您的口罩。
Pastikan anda memakai
penutup muka.



请用手液洗手。
Bersihkan tangan anda
dengan hand sanitizer.



请写下您的姓名和电话号码。
Tulis nama dan nombor
telefon anda.



请保持规定的距离。
Penjarakan sosial.



谢谢你们, 请你们
必须照顾好自己。
Terima kasih
kerana KITA
JAGA KITA

FOOD CONTRIBUTION FOR THE NEEDY

For all who wish to contribute by cash, you may
use **BOOST** or **ONLINE Banking** with remark
"**FOOD FOR THE NEEDY**". For those of you who
wish to contribute in kinds, please liaise directly
with **Revd Timothy Jerry (016-692-9031)**.

GIVINGS AND OFFERING

2 Ways To Give Offering

MOBILE **OR** **APP**

Online Transfer (Alliance Bank)

The Church of The Good Shepherd
A/C No: 10132001-000-2182

Alliance Bank A/c: 101320010031353.
Official receipts to be issued upon
request via **WhatsApp no: 0198905604.**

Alliance Bank A/c: 101320010073123
Official receipts to be issued upon
request via **WhatsApp no: 0109836142.**



For the convenience of members who wish to put
in your givings into the offering box, it will be
placed there on the following days and times:

Day: **Every Monday & Wednesday**

Time: **9:00 am - 12:00 noon.**

Please indicate your type of givings. Thank you.



For all who needs help to
set up Zoom app for weekly
CG meeting or Online Prayer
Meet, please contact
Josiah Soh 018-3202822

LET US PRAY

Collect for Today (Easter 6)

Almighty Father, you have given your only son Jesus Christ to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: grant that we may put away the old nature of corruption and wickedness and always serve you in sincerity and truth; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Intercession:



THANKSGIVING:

¹ Keep on loving one another as brothers and sisters. ² Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it. ³ Continue to remember those in prison as if you were together with them in prison, and those who are mistreated as if you yourselves were suffering. ⁵ Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, ⁶ So we say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can mere mortals do to me?" (Heb 13: 1-3; 5-6)

- ◆ We thank and praise God that He is faithful and trustworthy, that He remembers us and will never leave us nor forsake us.
- ◆ Thank God for healing many from this COVID-19 virus infection especially in this nation, that we see more are cured from the virus than those newly infected.

PRAY FOR THE CHURCHES OF ALL NATIONS:

- ◆ Pray for the churches to be sensitive to the needs of those around them, especially the churches in Malaysia and the Province of SEA.

- ◆ Pray that our Lord will speak to His people at this time, so that we may know what areas of our lives that need reset and re-prioritize. Pray that we will remember what the Lord is revealing to us individually and corporately even after the MCO is lifted.

PRAY FOR THE ON-GOING COVID-19 CORONA VIRUS PANDEMIC.

- ◆ Pray for our government & other governments around the world, that they would have wisdom to minimize, control & combat this pandemic.
- ◆ Pray for an availability of resources to help in the fight against this virus, particularly in poorer nations.
- ◆ Pray for protection for medical staff & personnel, frontliners including the police, the military, marine & essential service providers.

Pray For The Sick

Liew Oi Hyen, Chan Fon Ping,
Michael Yio Cho Kui, Tang
Hong Piau, Pang Min Chiew,
Pun Chun Ming, Chang Kon
Fatt, Eng Fook Kit, Chin Tshun
Leong, Chan Mei Ngo, Tham
Nyuk Mui, Emily Lau, Chang
Suk Heng, Lai Nyuk Jin,
Tai Nyuk Min.

the Servant King!

Isaiah 50.1-11; Mark 10.32-52

Mark had clearly proven _____ through His teaching & ministry (from **Mark 1-10.31**)! It was affirmed by Peter through _____ (see **Mark 8.29; Matthew 16.17**)! Jesus' Kingship reflects _____, which was enhanced by God through the historical event of _____ (see **Mark 9.2-29**). From there Jesus focused on fulfilling _____ of God's Kingdom (**Mark 9.30** onwards). This is because His Kingship is established in the context of _____ through His own death & resurrection (see **Mark 8.31-32; 15.21-16.8**)! The purpose for Jesus repeating His death & resurrection is to impress on the disciples _____! Jesus wanted the 12 disciples to have the _____ in submissive obedience as they follow Him to Jerusalem (see **10.32-34**). When Jesus spoke about His sufferings & death as well as His resurrection for _____, (see **Mark 10.33-34**, cf. **Mark 8.31-38 & 9.31**) it was to repeat _____ so that the disciples will eventually know _____ to follow & imitate Him. There are 2 aspects for us to imitate Jesus' Servant Kingship, namely: (1) _____; and (2) _____!

1. Jesus' _____ ! (Mark 10.32-45)

2. Jesus' _____ ! (Mark 10.46-52)

Reflection & Application:

1. What were the 3 main things Jesus told the disciples 3 times (see **Mark 10.33-34**)? Do you think the concept '**NO CROSS, NO CROWN**' is relevant & applicable to us as followers of Jesus today? Do you see any connection between **Mark 9.49 & Mark 10.45**?
2. Do you personally agree that Jesus wanted us to adopt His view of greatness like Him also as found in **Mark 10.45**? How can we practically apply **Mark 10.45** principle as Jesus' disciples in Sandakan today?
3. What is the key different between James & John (**Mark 10.35-40**) with Bartimaeus (**Mark 10.46-51**)? Why did Jesus stop for Bartimaeus? What was Mark's purpose for recording Bartimaeus' cry upon Jesus (see **Mark 10.52**)? How can we apply such faith in Christ while facing the pandemic Covid-19?