

A Warm Welcome Awaits You at Our Sunday Worship

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One Year Chronological Bible

July 27 2 Kings 19; Psalms 46, 80, 135 July 28 Isaiah 49-53 July 29 Isaiah 54-58 July 30 Isaiah 59-63 July 31 Isaiah 64-66 August 1 2 Kings 20-21 August 2 2 Chronicles 32-33 August 3 Nahum

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Giving:





How to Share the Gospel "without a word"

The Bible tells us in 1 Peter 3:1 - In like manner, wives, be in subjection to your own husbands; so that, even if any don't obey the Word, they may be won by the behavior of their wives without a word.

When Christians let their light shine brightly, people around us will see our good works and glorify our Father in heaven (Matthew 5:16).

When we started the Chinese congregation at Queenstown, many thought that we would never be able to bring our parents to church, let alone convert them. But when we started inviting them, they not only accepted but also returned regularly, because they saw how faithful we are in our faith. Soon our new work was baptising more people than the larger English-speaking congregation!

Another way we can share the gospel is to invite our family and friends to the Sunday church service. Hebrews 10:25 - Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as you see the day approaching.

So many people have never attended a church service in their entire life. Among them are family and friends waiting for you to extend them an invitation. They may not take up your invitation immediately, but as you consistently reach out to them (text, call or over a coffee/meal), it won't be long before they accompany you one Sunday.

Household of Faith is situated in a central part of Singapore next to the one north MRT with an abudance of parking lots. They will find a small friendly group, endeared to the elderly, worshipping God simply, as taught in the Bible.

Half an hour before worship, you may want to introduce them to members in the small Care team groups to engage in discussion or ask questions. After the one-hour worship, feel free to stay back for a cup of tea or coffee during fellowship. Members usually bring food, snacks and fruits.

Start the week by letting your ligh shine. Take time to exhort one another as you look forward to the approaching Sunday.

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Can We Lose Our Salvation?

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2 Main Views

1. Eternal Security

Believers are **sealed** and cannot lose salvation if they are truly saved.

Emphasis: **God preserves** the believer to the end.

2. Conditional Security

Believers can **forfeit salvation** through
persistent sin or unbelief
or <u>apostasy</u>.

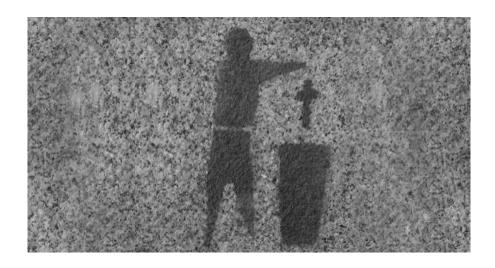
Emphasis: We must abide and remain faithful.

apostasy

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the act of giving up your religious beliefs and leaving a religion.



Going Back to Creation



Then God said, "Let us make man <u>in our</u> <u>image</u>, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

So God created man in <u>his own image</u>, in the <u>image of God</u> He created him; male and female he created them.

Genesis 1:26-28 ESV

Going Back to Creation



Being made in God's image includes a spiritual dimension—unlike animals, humans are created with an **eternal soul**.

Our soul cannot be destroyed, after we passed on, either Hell or Heaven.

Matthew 25:46 (ESV) "And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.

#1 God provided salvation to us while we were still sinners.

For if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life!

Romans 5:10 (NIV)



#2 Salvation is God's gift not by our good works

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— not by works, so that no one can boast.

Ephesians 2:8-9 (NIV)



#3 When God begins work in your life, He will complete the work of your salvation.

being confident of this, that He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

Philippians 1:6 (NIV)



SUMMARY Combining the 2 Main Views

#1 Apostasy

- (i) There is only one way to lose it and that is not backsliding but apostasy.
- >For if we go on sinning deliberately after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, but a fearful expectation of judgment.-Hebrews 10:26–27 (ESV)
- (ii) One can lose their salvation not because they cannot return to God but they **choose not** return to God.
- (iii) That is when a believer turns away from all his Christian experience and goes back to his old ways.



SUMMARY Combining the 2 Main Views

#2 God's forgiveness

- (i) Our Father's capacity to **forgive** far outweighs our capacity for failure. >But where sin increased, grace increased all the more. Romans 5:20
- (ii) So, it is harder to lose our salvation then we dare believe, because of God's Grace.
- (iii) He will never let us go if we do not let Him go.



SUMMARY Combining the 2 Main Views

#3 Salvation is a point and a process

- (i) Something must come out from my salvation, otherwise it's taking advantage of grace. We can't just believe and stop there.
- (ii) God initiates, and **sustains** salvation when the journey gets difficult.
- >Fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith- Hebrews 12:2



APPLICATION



Appreciate the seriousness and beauty of salvation. it was purchased at the highest cost, by the blood of Jesus.



Abide in God daily. When others see us, can they see evidence of our salvation in our life?



Acknowledge that salvation is a point and a process. We don't just believe and stop there. To continue living our life as though salvation did not happen is to take advantage of Grace.