

Zechariah 14:9 NIV

**The LORD will be king over the whole earth.  
On that day there will be one LORD,  
His name the only name.**

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**ENGLISH SERVICES**

***Order of Service***

Call to Worship

Gloria Patri

Worship in Songs:

Morning - Days of Elijah; Only a Holy God; Let Your Kingdom Come

Afternoon - Glorious Things of You are Spoken; Our God Reigns

Scripture Reading: Zechariah 9:1-17 ESV

Message: Coming of the (Donkey) King

Response Hymn: Lead On O King Eternal

Corporate Life & Prayer

Offering

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## Welcome

We are pleased to welcome you to worship with us! If you are new to Zion Bishan, do drop us a note on our contact form and our hospitality team will get in touch with you in the coming week:

[www.zionbishan.org.sg/rf](http://www.zionbishan.org.sg/rf)

## Our Sunday Services at a glance

### In-Person Sunday Services

**8.30am** Mandarin service

**9.00am** Hokkien service

**9.30am** Tamil Service

**8.30am/10.30am/4.30pm** English service

**10.30am** Mandarin-English service

**10.45am** Cantonese-Mandarin service

### ***Domestic Helpers Fellowship (DHF)***

***Bible Study Groups*** ( *To join via Zoom, please register at [www.zionbishan.org.sg/dhf](http://www.zionbishan.org.sg/dhf) )*

**8.45am** DHF 1A (*in English, for all nationalities*)  
in person in Room 103

**8.45am** DHF 2 (*in Myanmar language*) hybrid,  
in person in The Living Room and via zoom

**2.30pm** DHF 3 (*in Bahasa Indonesia*) via zoom

**8.45pm** DHF 1B (*in English, for all nationalities*)  
via zoom

### ***Children/Youth Discipleship Classes***

Register interest: [www.zionbishan.org.sg/cd-yd](http://www.zionbishan.org.sg/cd-yd)

### ***Join us on Telegram / WhatsApp (94225703)***

Keep up to date with our latest bulletin and church announcements:

[www.zionbishan.org.sg/broadcasts](http://www.zionbishan.org.sg/broadcasts)

## Serving You Today

**Speakers:** Ps Ng Zhiwen (8.30am & 10.30am)  
Mr Joel Khoo (4.30pm)

### **8.30am**

*Service Coordinator:* Sharon Quek

*Worship Leader:* Dn Joseph Chan

*Vocalist & Musicians:* Morning Team 4

### **10.30am**

*Service Coordinator:* Dn Tiew Chew Meng

*Worship Leader:* Eld Chuah Chin Yew

*Vocalist & Musicians:* Morning Team 4

### **4.30pm**

*Service Coordinator:* Timothy Ong

*Worship Leader:* Dn Herman Low

*Vocalist & Musicians:* Afternoon Team 3

## Pastors and Ministry Staff

Rev Dr Alby Yip, Senior Pastor	9844 9536
Rev Dr Dev Menon, Pastor	9829 6051
Rev Ebinezar Mohan, Pastor (Tamil)	8198 9696
Rev Kew See Seong, Pastor (Mand)	9489 4967
Rev Lim Jit Thye, Pastor (Cant-Mand)	9182 6957
Rev Daniel Nge, Pastor (Mand-Eng)	8428 0525
Rev Vernon Quek, Pastor	9796 0196
Rev Ng Zhiwen, Pastor	9092 6095
Rev Paul Yeo, Pastor (Hokkien)	9751 1897
Mrs Emily Quek, Special Projects	9001 2926
Mrs June Tan, Children's Ministry	8388 1883
Mrs Sharon Quek, Overseas Ministries	9788 0195
Mr Danny Chua, AG/Safeguarding	9239 4160
Mr Quek Tze-Ming, Assoc Min Staff	9060 8340
Miss Jacqueline Lie, Youth Ministry	9322 7629
Miss Vanessa Lee, Women's Worker	9880 4507
Mr Joel Khoo, YAs/Discipleship	9368 9221
Mr Timothy Ong, Home Missions	9271 5785
Rev Dr David Wong, Advisory Pastor	
Rev Dr Quek Swee Hwa, Pastor Emeritus	

### **Confidential Care & Counselling e-mail:**

[care@zionbishan.org.sg](mailto:care@zionbishan.org.sg)

# **Coming of the (Donkey) King**

Zechariah 9

16 April 2023

Ps Ng Zhiwen / Mr Joel Khoo

## **Introduction**

### **1. God's Word against the Nations (v1-8)**

### **2. Zion's King on a Donkey (v9-10)**

### **3. God's People revitalized & remade (v11-17)**

## **Conclusion**

### **Discussion & Reflection:**

1. What was one thing that struck you from today's sermon?
2. What kind of king do you expect to rescue God's people?  
How does the picture of the King challenge your expectations? How do you feel about worshipping and following Jesus the (donkey) King?
3. We are God's people revitalized and remade. From this passage, what does Jesus want of us today?

## *Prayer Points*

### **Our People**

**Ps Paul Yeo's father** had a fall last Sunday morning, and cut his chin. He was then sent to TTSH for stitching but an MRI scan of his brain found that he was actually suffering from a SILENT STROKE (everything seems to be normal but gradual motion and speech deterioration). The scan also detected a previous stroke sometime ago, which was also undetected by the family. A neurologist will be advising the family on the next steps forward. Please pray for his recovery and also wisdom and grace for the family as they journey with him.

**Ps David Leong** - Do keep him in prayer as he focuses on preaching and teaching the Word to encourage and build up our sister church, Emmanuel BP Church.

### **Our World**

**Nepal** - Thank God for the safe return of brother Michael and Ps HR back from Nepal last Thursday from Nepal. Though they could not get a mountain flight from the remote town in northwest Nepal back down to the plains area, they were able to

travel by jeep to their destination so as to catch their internal flight back to Kathmandu. Thank God for the encouragement they were able to bring to the community in the northwest, on the topic of Christian Maturity. May God spur this community towards maturity in Christ in all areas of their lives.

**Lebanon** - Last month, before sister Christy left for a visit to this country, a call was sounded for 450 cards of encouragement to be given to a faith-based organisation working in Lebanon. In the end, 512 encouragement cards were collected and distributed to our brothers and sisters there. May the words, and prayers sent forth lift and strengthen each of our brothers and sisters labouring in this country for the Kingdom. May the Lord grow his Kingdom in this country that has suffered great economic turmoil in the last few years.

## Last Week

Good Friday Service	Attendance	Offering (\$)
English Service Livestream*	17	
English Service 10:30am	608	\$14,539.36
English Service 4:30pm	248	
Chinese Service Private Livestream*	7	
Combined Chinese Service	164	\$3,568.00
Tamil Service	19	\$1,275.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1063</b>	<b>\$4,843.00</b>

Easter Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering (\$)
English Service Private Livestream*	17	
English Service 8:30am	191	
English Service 10:30am	516	\$1,949.00
English Service 4:30pm	266	
Chinese Service Private Livestream*	10	
Chinese Service 8:30am	92	\$1,673.00
Cant/Mand Service Private Livestream*	2	
Cant/Mand Service 10:45am	50	\$381.00
ME Service & Zoom	57	\$957.00
Hokkien Service	65	\$564.00
Tamil Service	17	\$395.00
DHF	15	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1298</b>	<b>\$5,919.00</b>

*\*Livestreaming peak concurrent viewers*

Electronic Transfer	\$94,323.40
<b>WEEKLY TOTAL</b>	<b>\$114,781.76</b>

*Weekly offering to meet budget for 2022/23: \$75,000.98*

### Land Lease Renewal Fund

Gift No: 1866	\$500.00
Electronic Transfer	\$22,420.60
Electronic Transfer – Good Friday Service	\$16,790.00
<b>Weekly Total</b>	<b>\$39,710.60</b>
<b>Total Gift Received To-Date</b>	<b>\$9,681,165.48</b>

## Church Family News

Ps Dev is preaching at Sembawang BP this morning.

## Info for Giving

For tithes and offering:

### General & Missions Fund



DBS Current A/C: 070-901056-3

PayNow: T10SS0029GGMF

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To give towards the

### Land Lease Renewal Fund: General Project Fund



DBS Current A/C: 070-901055-5

PayNow: T10SS0029GGPF

ZION BISHAN BP CHURCH – GPF

*Indicate "Land Lease Renewal Fund" on back of cheque*

*(Please provide your CONTACT NUMBER on each cheque)*

## Looking Ahead

### **Friday, 21 Apr**

**8.00pm:** Prayer Meeting

Register at [www.zionbishan.org.sg/fpm](http://www.zionbishan.org.sg/fpm)

### **Saturday, 22 Apr**

**4.00pm:** Youth Fellowship

Register at [www.zionbishan.org.sg/yf](http://www.zionbishan.org.sg/yf)

### **Sunday, 23 Apr**

Worship Services at **8.30am, 10.30am**  
and **4.30pm**

### **Zechariah Series**

#### **23 Apr – Restoring Judah and Israel**

( Zechariah 10:1-12 )

*Ps Alby (8.30am & 10.30am);*

*Ps Dev (4.30pm)*

#### **30 Apr – Terrible Shepherds**

( Zechariah 11:1-17 )

*Ps Dev (8.30am & 10.30am);*

*Quek Tze-Ming (4.30pm)*

#### **7 May – The Lord will give Salvation**

( Zechariah 12:1-14 )

*Ps Alby (all 3 services)*

#### **14 May – The Shepherd struck, the people scattered**

( Zechariah 13:1-9 )

*Ps Dev (8.30am & 10.30am);*

*Quek Tze-Ming (4.30pm)*

## Your Response

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*Thank you for joining us today!  
If there's anything you would  
like the church to know, do  
reach out to us online or via  
email.*

Get in touch with us:

- ☐ If you are joining us for the first time
- ☐ to find out more
- ☐ to request prayer
- ☐ to provide feedback
- ☐ to send a word of encouragement

*You may find our response form  
[www.zionbishan.org.sg/rf](http://www.zionbishan.org.sg/rf)*

*Or email us at  
[office@zionbishan.org.sg](mailto:office@zionbishan.org.sg)*

*Confidential care & counselling  
matters, please email  
[care@zionbishan.org.sg](mailto:care@zionbishan.org.sg)*

*Please note that the church will  
retain and use your submitted  
data as needed to process your  
indicated response.*

THANKS FOR YOUR RESPONSE

### How Many?

Last month, I addressed the question: *“What is the point of an AG?”* My answer: *“To know Christ, through the Word of God, so that we minister to one another in His name”*.

This month, another question: *“Should our AG stop accepting new members?”* Again, a really good question! The context is that several of our current small groups are notably quite large – with something like 8-10 families or 20-35 individuals!

What more, each week we receive around 10 newcomers between the 3 English Services. Plus, the current catechism class has a full capacity of nearly 30 – all of which require cell groups to be able to grow and mature in Christ adequately.

Notably, the AG leaders are running out of energy, and members find relationships difficult to form and deepen if new people keep joining. Not to mention how those of us who are introverts or experience social anxiety feel at larger sizes. Or those of us who just need a bit more time and attention to work through our present issues and past wounds.

However, nowhere in Scriptures do we see the command to restrict newcomers to God’s church; I mean how could we right?! God wants many to join His kingdom. Our Father loves a big family! In fact, through Zechariah, it’s clear that God wants His church to be so big, that there is no room to fit them all. Plus, I believe throughout church history – the constant approach was to welcome everyone who walked through the sanctuary doors!

Yet the struggle is real. The more newcomers we receive, the higher the workload and the shallower the relationships across the board. So how?

I believe Jesus told us that what we need to do is to ask for more leaders – more workers to the harvest fields (e.g. Mark 9:37-38). More leaders means groups can multiply (#getsent), which allows them to be at the size where each individual can #getdeep in the Word, and #getreal with one another. The effective size which every individual can mature in Christ.

Thus, we do not close our doors. No, we MUST keep welcoming everyone with open arms (and perhaps gritted teeth). But then, we must pray... pray for the Lord of the harvest to send more labourers. I believe as we receive one another in Jesus’ name, He most certainly will.

*PS: If you are a church leader experiencing burnout – please let one of the pastors know. We trust that the Lord will take good care of all who serve in His name. Don’t just ‘push through’!*

## **Announcements**

### **MEN'S MINISTRY EVENT**

Calling all men to register and join us for this Men's Ministry event:

**Life 2-gether: Our longing for intimacy**

Speaker: Rev Dr Chua Chung Kai,  
Pastor, CEF Church (Pre-recorded)

*'Men were not made to walk alone... Come discover the journey together as God's men living out what God intended for brotherhood.'*

**Sat, 22 Apr 2023  
8.00 am – 9.30 am  
Chapel L4**

*Light Breakfast  
starts at 7.30am*



**<https://tinyurl.com/MMEG2023Apr>**

### **EXCEL APPRENTICESHIP**

Have you thought of going into full-time ministry?

The EXCEL Apprenticeship is a 1-2 year full-time programme that aims to provide training & experience for those considering full-time ministry.

Contact **Ps Dev** or **Ps Vernon** for more information.

### **PARENTS' DAY THANKSGIVING EVANGELICAL NIGHT**

**5 May 2023, Saturday  
6-8pm, Chapel**

**Speaker: Ps Simon Neo from  
Breakthrough Mission**

Bring your family and friends to hear the gospel and testimony.  
Dinner Buffet at \$5 per pax, free for children.

If you are interested, please contact Lydia @8338 3982.

### **BOOK RELEASE: ASSAULT ON THE BODY**

How can churches respond to sexual assault within the community? *Assault on the Body*, to be released on 22 Apr 2023 by Graceworks Publishers, engages the problem of Sexual Violence and the Gospel Community. It features testimonies from survivors, reflections and practical tools from therapists, social workers, lawyers, senior pastors, theologians, ministry leaders, and academics. Contributors include our Safeguarding Team and Ps Zhi-Wen. Visit <https://graceworks.com.sg/> to get a copy.