

**ENGLISH SERVICES** 

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# Order of Service

Call to Worship

Gloria Patri

#### [ MORNING ]

Worship in Songs: Jesus Strong and Kind; Mighty to Save; Great is Thy Faithfulness

Scripture Reading: Romans 1:16-18, 3:21-26, 4:13-25 (ESV)

Message: The Righteousness of God - Reflections on Romans 1 - 4

Response Hymn: There is One Gospel

#### [ AFTERNOON ]

Worship in Songs: Living Hope; To God be the Glory; He will Hold me Fast

Scripture Reading: Romans 1:1-7; 14-18; 3:19-26 (ESV) Message: Getting Romans 1-4 Review: Getting God's Gospel

Response Hymn: There is One Gospel

Corporate Life & Prayer

Offering

Benediction

**Announcements** 



#### 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

# Sunday Services at a glance

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, reaister at www.zionbishan.ora.sa/dhf

**8.45am DHF 1A** in English/Tagalog, for all nationalities) *In-person in Room 106 & Zoom* 

**8.45am DHF 2** (in Myanmar language)

In-person in Room 105 & Zoom

2.30pm DHF 3 (in Bahasa Indonesia) via Zoom

**8.45pm DHF 1B** (in English/Tagalog, for all nationalities) *only upon request, via Zoom* 

#### Children/Youth Discipleship Classes

Register interest: www.zionbishan.org.sg/cd-yd

# Join us on Telegram / WhatsApp

Keep up to date with our latest bulletin and church announcements: www.zionbishan.org.sg/broadcasts

# **Serving You Today**

#### Speakers:

Ps Ng Zhiwen ( 8.30 & 10.30 am )
Ps Vernon Quek ( 4.30 pm )

#### 8.30am

Service Coordinator: Dn Justin Low Worship Leader: Dn John Chua

Vocalist & Musicians: Music AM Team 4

#### 10.30am

Service Coordinator: Jacqueline Ong
Worship Leader: Dn Mervyn Phan
Vocalist & Musicians: Music AM Team 4

#### 4.30pm

Service Coordinator: Teo Hui Qing Worship Leader: Dn Herman Low

Vocalist & Musicians: Music PM Team 4

# **Pastors and Ministry Staff**

E-mail: user ID followed by @zionbishan.org.sa

Rev Dr Alby Yip, Senior Pastor (on Sabbatical) Rev Dr Dev Menon, Pastor dev itlim Rev Lim Jit Thye, Pastor (Cant-Mand) Rev Daniel Nge, Pastor (on Sabbatical) Rev Vernon Quek, Pastor vernon Rev Ng Zhiwen, Pastor zhiwen Rev Paul Yeo, Pastor (Hokkien/Mand) paul Rev Ebi Mohan, Assoc. Pastor (Tamil) ehi Rev Chris, Asst Pastor (Tamil) christopher Mrs Emily Quek, Special Projects emily Mrs June Tan, Children's Ministry iune Ms Elizabeth Hira, Children's Ministry/DHF hira Mrs Sha.ron Quek. Overseas Ministries sharon Mr Danny Chua. AG/Safeguarding dannv Dr Quek Tze-Ming, Ministry Staff tzeming Mrs Jacqueline Ong, Youth Ministry jacqueline Mrs Vanessa Khoo, Women's Ministry vanessa Mr Joel Khoo, YAs/Discipleship ioel Mr Timothy Ong, Missions Education timothy Rev Dr David Wong, Advisory Pastor

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### Sermon Notes

Ps Ng Zhiwen

The Righteousness of God
( Reflections on Romans 1 – 4

Romans 1:16-18, 3:21-26, 4:13-25

The Good News (so far)

We Good with God (?)

The Goodness of God (!)

# **Questions for Reflection and Discussion:**

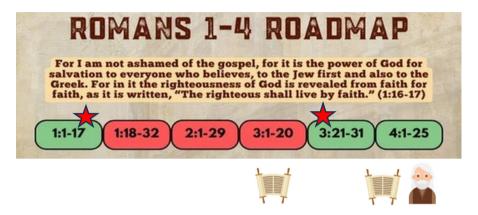
- 1. Read Romans 1 to 4. Take note of any recurring themes. In one sentence, what is the Gospel?
- 2. What have you learned about God so far?
- 3. What does God want us to trust and obey Him for? In other words, using the language of Romans, what is the obedience of faith that God wants of you?

Ps Vernon Quek

# Romans 1-4 Review: Getting God's Gospel

Romans 1:1-7; 16-18; 3:21-26

Intro: Romans: The Gospel We Need



#1:

#2:

#3:

**Conclusion:** 

### **Questions for Reflection & Discussion:**

- 1. Reflecting honestly, on a scale of 1-10, how important would you say the Gospel of Jesus Christ is in your life generally this season? What makes you say so?
- 2. How has Romans 1-4 helped you appreciate our need for the Gospel? Think of specific ways not just from today's review sermon, but from all we've seen in the letter so far.
- 3. How has the revelation that God is Just AND Justifier in the Gospel alone helped your heart? How does this affect your attitude towards the Gospel?
- 4. In what specific ways do we need to respond to these first 4 chapters of Romans?

# **Prayer Points**

#### **Our Church**

Explore Internship 2025 – We thank God for our 2 Explore interns, Brennan Ting and Ashley Tan, who will be with us for the next 4 weeks. Pray that this will be a time of exploring and growing in their faith and relationship with God, through the bible studies, workshops and ministry exposure. May whatever they learn and experience in this internship deepen their gospel convictions and equip them to be faithful followers of Jesus in this transitional season and every season of life.

Catechism Class Retreat – Praise God for the time our 30 or so catechumens had at our retreat yesterday to rest, fellowship and hear from our Lord in His Word! Continue to lift them up in prayer that the Spirit will keep growing each individual in knowledge of and intimacy with our Father in the weeks ahead.

# **Our People**

Doreen M. – Pray for her sharing at the next Missions Prayer Night (MPN), on 28 Mar 2025, Friday, 8-9pm. She will be sharing about her ministry work with a project that aims to spark disciple making movements in Asian cities. Pray for good engagement and attendance at this zoom prayer meeting for our church so that more will consider participating in missions, whether here in Singapore or outside of it. Doreen is from our church's Mandarin-English congregation.

### **Our Denomination**

Emmanuel BP – We thank God that the premise at One Pemimpin was approved for another 2 years, for non-exclusive religious use (which is required for all churches to legally operate in B1 Industrial Estates). Please pray that our current anchor tenant, Active Radiant Life, will continue to grow and thrive, which in turn, we pray, will sustain the continued licensing and premise-upkeep for the church's worship and activities. Pray also that all who use that space may learn to partner one another in ministry for God's Kingdom.

### **Our World**

MENA Team – This past week a few from our church joined a group that left on Thursday for a vision trip to this region. The aim was to explore our heavenly Father's heart for this area. Pray for love and unity for the team as they meet fellow brothers and sisters here to serve and encourage them. We are thankful for an opportunity also to fellowship together for a time of spiritual and physical retreat. Pray especially for a calm to the recent tensions in this region and for everyone to be physically well and safe.

#### Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering
English Service Livestream*	14	
English Service 8:30am	192	\$1,136.00
English Service 10:30am	488	
English Service 4:30pm	215	
Chinese Service livestream*	9	
Chinese Service 8:30am	92	\$1,502.00
Cant/Mand Service 10:45am	76	\$401.00
Mand/English Service 10.30am	50	\$851.00
Hokkien Service	59	\$477.00
Tamil Service	11	\$255.00
DHF	17	
TOTAL	1223	\$4,622.00

<sup>\*</sup>Livestreaming peak concurrent viewers.

Electronic Transfer	\$66,414.50
Weekly Total	\$71,036.50

Weekly Offering to meet estimated expenditure for 2025/26: \$94,181

#### **GENERAL PROJECTS FUND**

Electronic Transfer	\$2,880.55
Weekly Total	\$2,880.55
Total General Projects Fund:	\$5,633,517.59

# **Church Family News**

- Congratulations to Paul and Joyce on the birth of their second child, Sarah Liew, on 13 March 2025!
- Mr Danny Chua is preaching at Emmanuel BP Church this morning.
- 3. Our deepest condolences & sympathy to
  - the family of the late Mrs Lim-Bay Wan Jee, aged 52, on 8 March 2025, she was the wife of Elder Lim Siah Chuan, sister of Laurence & Elizabeth Bay, aunt to Nicolas and Benjamin Bay.
  - the family of the late Mdm Chua Pek Suan, aged 90, on 9 March 2025, she was the mother of Elder Roland & Carol Low.
  - the family of the late Mr Lim Seong Huat Thomas, aged 67, on 13 March 2025, he was the brother of Elder Jeffery & Hannah Lim.
     Please uphold the bereaved families in prayer.

# Info for Giving

For tithes and offering:

General & Missions Fund



DBS Current A/C: **070-901056-3**PayNow: **T10SS0029GGMF ZION BISHAN BP CHURCH** 

To give towards the General Projects Fund



DBS Current A/C: 070-901055-5
PayNow: T10SS0029GGPF
ZION BISHAN BP CHURCH – GPF

Please provide your CONTACT NUMBER on each cheque

# **Looking Ahead**

### Fri, 28 Mar

8.00pm: Prayer Meeting

Register at www.zionbishan.org.sg/fpm

#### Sat, 29 Mar

4.00pm: Youth Fellowship

Register at www.zionbishan.org.sq/yf

#### Sun, 30 Mar

Worship Services at 8.30am, 10.30am & 4.30pm

### **Romans Series**

#### 30 Mar - Romans 5:1-11

Ps Ebi Mohan ( 8.30 & 10.30 am ) Mr Danny Chua ( 4.30 pm )

# 6 Apr – Romans 5:12-21

Ps Ng Zhiwen ( 8.30 & 10.30 am ) Mr Danny Chua ( 4.30 pm )

# 13 Apr - Romans 6:1-14

Ps Vernon Quek

# 20 Apr - Romans 6:15-7:6

Ps Ng Zhiwen ( 8.30 & 10.30 am )
Ps Dev Menon ( 4.30 pm )

# 27 Apr - Romans 7:7-25

Mr Danny Chua (8.30 & 10.30 am) Ps Ng Zhiwen (4.30 pm)

# Your Response

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 at zionbishan.org.sg/rf

Or email us at office@zionbishan.org.sg

Confidential care & counselling matters, please email 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.

Ps Vernon Quek

# The Zion Bishan Family Trait

Last weekend, we heard in Romans Chapter 4 the wonderful truth that Abraham's **faith** was what God counted to him as righteousness – and that this was Good News not just for Abraham, 'but also to the one who shares **the faith** of Abraham, who is the father of us all, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations" (Romans 4:16-17).

How amazing that millennia later, we 21<sup>st</sup> century believers in Singapore can count ourselves as righteous in the same way: **by our faith in our Saviour King Jesus**!

Have you been wondering and reflecting more on this over the past week? I have. I've found myself asking a specific question: what exactly does the defining trait of Abraham's family – the faith that all of his offspring share with him – look like in my life?

I wonder if you would be able to answer that question for yourself? Are there any particular ways that you know you have 'in hope believed against hope' in your life recently? If you can think of any or even many, then let these be a source of thankfulness to God. If not, perhaps a time of reflection and prayer is required.

How about corporately as a local church? How would you say this generation of Zion Bishan reflects our defining family trait? What would you say are clear indicators that we are a people of unwavering faith in our Righteous and Life-giving Creator God?

The Zion Bishan family has the great blessing of being able to look back through our relatively short 30-year history and see many examples of faithfulness in past generations. From the pioneer generation who left the comfort of an established church to join the new plant facing many uncertainties, to those who more recently generously gave funds and time and energy to the Redevelopment Project, and most recently the Land Lease Renewal – we have many stories of faith to tell in our community.

But it's not only in these more visible ways that faith can been seen. Faith examples of equal and sometimes even greater measure can be seen in many other ways if we have the eyes to look for them. The faithfulness of many who have been quietly giving of themselves to encourage the faith of others – some for years or even decades – should be equally acknowledged and treasured amongst us.

Do you know of any such faith examples whom we might not have shown enough appreciation for? Why not reach out to thank and encourage them this coming week? Why not share their stories with the rest of us that we too might be encouraged to be faithful as well?

How about in the coming years? How will the future generations of Zion Bishan look back to this generation and remember us? As the song goes: 'Oh, may all who come behind us find us faithful'. May the Lord work powerfully through His Spirit to grow us to be a generation who knows and loves the Gospel of our Righteous God, that no unbelief will make us waver concerning all of His promises in Christ!

### **Announcements**

# WOZ – Hanoi Fellowship Retreat

#### 13 - 19 Aug 2025

Visiting Sapa mountain church, the Orphanage, and Sightseeing. For more information, contact Lydia at 8338 3982

Families are welcome to join! Early Bird ends **31 Mar**.

Please register here: zionbishan.org.sg/WozRetreat2025Hanoi

Organised by WOZ

### SENIORS360 Dim Sum Hour & Talk

Fall Prevention 12 Apr 2025 (Sat) 10.15am Fellowship Hall

Come join us at this upcoming SENIORS360 event with Ms Chua Peishan. Find out how to improve balance and reduce your risk of fall. Do invite your non-Christian friends along!

Sign up by **7 Apr**: http://rebrand.ly/s360apr25

# Zion Bishan Kindercare

**ZBK** is celebrating its **30th Anniversary** this year and we are gathering photos from and of alumni. If you are an alumni or you know someone who has been a student at ZBK from 1995 onwards, please contact **Ruth Quek** at **8833 0196.** 

# **BPCIS Combined Good Friday Service**

18 Apr 2025 (Fri) 10.30am ACS (Independent), Auditorium 2

# EMBRACING THE CROSS OF JESUS Speaker: Rev (Dr) Yap Kim Sin

Note that you will need a physical ticket to attend the service. Register for tickets via the QR code or this link:

https://bit.ly/ZBgoodfriday by 29 Mar.

Distribution of tickets via fellowship hall booth on 30 Mar.

Coach transportation from and to Zion Bishan provided only upon sign up.

Note there is no parking onsite.
Please park at 28 Dover Crescent
instead and board the shuttle buses
that will run between Blk 28 and ACS(I).

# **Missions Prayer Night**

# 28 Mar 2025, 8-9pm on Zoom

Come, hear about and pray for Doreen as she shares about her work with a mission organisation that is seeking to encourage disciples that make disciples in major Asian cities.

Register to receive the Zoom link at <a href="https://zionbishan.org.sg/fpm">https://zionbishan.org.sg/fpm</a> if you're not in the FPM channel.