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The Holy Spirit & Revival
(Acts 2:1-11, 39-47)
- Rev. Dr. Jack Sin
A Sermon Summary

SOVEREIGNHOPE
BIBLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
AN APPRAISAL AND
UNDERSTANDING OF
BIBLICAL REVIVALS
JANUARY TO MARCH 2021

14 MARCH

*The Holy
Spirit and
Revival*

ACTS 2:1-11, 39-47

There were 3 salient points.

1. A Purposeful & Prayerful People Seeking God (vs 1-11)

- with one accord, at one place, with one heart, and soul.
- the church had already commenced with the redeemed in the wilderness as mentioned by Stephen in Acts 7:38, but this was akin to the official inauguration of the New Testament (NT) church which started in the Old Testament (OT).
- the speaking in tongues were in foreign languages (based on the original Greek word) that were understood & comprehended by the different 15 groups of foreigners present there who heard it. There are no unintelligible tongues spoken in so many charismatic churches today.
- 1 Cor 13:8 makes it clear on this matter – which is the reformed biblical church position - that tongues and prophecies will cease on their own when “the perfect has come” and the perfect (i.e. original meaning of completion) refers to the completion of the canon of the Word of God by AD 96, i.e. there is no more tongue speaking since then. The whole Bible comprising the OT and NT is sufficient. Temporal signs gifts were given for a limited season only when the apostles were alive and there are no more apostles today.

2. A Precept-Keeping People Repenting before God (vs 14-39)

- Joel 2 - I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh...
- a Word-based revival with the word preached by Peter for almost 24 verses with the preaching of the death & the resurrection of Christ and the people were pricked in their hearts and they repented when they heard the Word preached.
- 3000 were baptized & added to the church in this great awakening.

3. A Practical & Persevering People Worshipping & Serving God (vs 40-47)

- it was not just some intellectual or emotional spark of the moment.
- they CONTINUED steadfastly with commitment, and not just for a short term:
 - in the apostles doctrine based on Christ's teaching that is now written in the Bible, the Word of God which we have today in our hands,
 - in koinonia which is the fellowship of the saints in person as we ought to today,
 - in the breaking of bread ie holy communion by the apostles in church corporately,
 - in prayers (many people praying together in corporate prayers as in a church prayer meeting, see Acts 1:14),
 - in the reverential fear of God in holy worship on the sabbath.
- There were sign & wonders (in the early days of the church during the times of the apostles), sharing all things together, giving to the Lord and building up the church in one accord.
- They were praising God from house to house in daily ministry and revival happened in the church to the saving of souls thru the work of the Holy Spirit and resulting in the church growth.

Conclusion

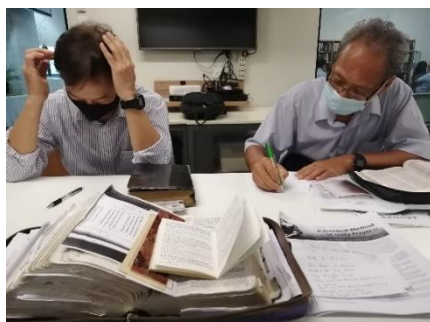
We witnessed here a true awakening of the church with the saving of souls. This is authentic revival and we pray that it will be so in our churches and nation as the Lord wills.

Kim Meng



The youngest worshipper received her first Bible from the church. Blessed 4th Birthday, dear Lorena!

Equipping our friends in the Reformed doctrines of the Bible in the Catechism Class.



Come & join Dr Kwong Leen in the Studies in Leviticus Sun Sch class.

From a Reader of the Pandemic Book

Shalom! Thank you very much for you and your wife's spiritual love of sharing "The Christian Perspective of the Coronavirus Pandemic and Biblically related Themes" book to further enhance and strengthen our faith during this COVID period.

I just sent S\$200.00 to your UEN via PayNow. It's a very little offering to thank you and praise the Lord!

Reading, really good. Thinking of buying 6 more books to give to my brothers and sisters in Christ.

In Christ,

Sister-in-Christ (who attends the SHBPC Sun evening Chinese Fellowship)

(NB. The pandemic book is available from SHBPC, Xi-an Book store and Fide Vitae Resources. Those interested, do contact Dn Yue Kay.)

A Sharing on the Senior Ladies Fellowship

Yes! There is one such self-named Fellowship going on behind the scene which was brought forth to a greater height on Thursday 11 Mar from 10.30am to 5pm.



ALL GLORY & PRAISE to GOD ALMIGHTY.

GOD answered my prayer request for His divine blessing upon the group, formed by Aunties Jenny (Angie's mom), Chwee Lian (Pit Yuen's mom) & Phang KK (Audrey's mom) and assisted very well by Say Poe.

All the GRAB drivers were very patient with us, senior folks.

Food bought at Tampines 201 & by GRAB delivery were simple but delectable. Thank God that Pit Yuen was able to have an extra serving of rice. Amen.

The weather was in our favour too. We were truly provided for & protected.

GOD IS WITH US.

We were indeed grateful & thankful to God for this fellowship meeting cum lunch at Pit Yuen's place. The 2 senior ladies were just



like 2 little schoolgirls... enjoying each other's company, snacking vadaai with green chillies & sardine/potato curry puffs in between a variety of topics from spiritual growth, trust & faith in God's Sovereign

plan for each one of us, the Vaccination Ex ... to Aunty Chwee Lian's special, effective ways to keep her vegetables super fresh!

At around 2.45pm, Aunty Jenny, Say Poe & I headed back to Tampines Blk 270 to fetch Aunty Phang, neighbour to Aunty Jenny (Blk 271). They introduced themselves & enjoyed their newly formed friendship at Aunty Jenny's place.

Thank God too for the following final part to our outing. Pastor Jack met the 4 of us at Aunty Jenny's place. He prayed for God's blessings to be upon us, especially for the well-being of the 2 senior ladies present.

At 3.40pm, Pastor Jack, Aunty Phang, Say Poe & I were on our way to visit Audrey's 92yr old dad @ Moral Nursing Home in Bedok. Uncle Phang was cheerful & alert and he is a Christian. We communicated via the written mode (due to hearing impairment) to share and encourage him.

Pastor Jack left these 3 words with Uncle Phang to meditate on after his sharing from Phil 4:6-8:

1. Pray to God without being anxious
2. Peace of the heart as a result to us
3. Our thought life in things we ought to Think (on things that are Godly, True, Just, Honest, Pure, Lovely ... Glorifying to God)

Uncle nodded his head and said, "Thank God for His care and protection."

Thank & Praise God for a very blessed day of fellowship with the Senior Ladies of SHBPC.

All Glory to God.

Han Kin Kheng

A poster for a Good Friday service. The background is a light blue sky with a silhouette of a crown of thorns. At the bottom, there is a silhouette of a mountain range with three crosses on top. The text is centered and reads: "Friday 2 April 2021, 8pm", "Good Friday Service", "WHO KILLED JESUS?", and "Luke 23:1-26".

Friday 2 April 2021, 8pm

Good Friday Service

WHO KILLED JESUS?

Luke 23:1-26

A poster for a Resurrection Sunday service. The background is a yellow-to-orange gradient with a silhouette of a crown of thorns. At the bottom, there is a silhouette of a mountain range. The text is centered and reads: "Sun 4 April 2021, 10am", "Resurrection Sunday Service", "The Implications & Impact of the Resurrection", and "1 Cor 15:1-21,51-58".

Sun 4 April 2021, 10am

Resurrection Sunday Service

The Implications & Impact of the Resurrection

1 Cor 15:1-21,51-58

Lessons in Godly Prudence from a Wise King

Studies into Ecclesiastes

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APRIL 2021

- 2 Good Friday: Who killed Jesus? (Luke 23:1-26)
- 4 The Implications & Impact of the Resurrection (1Cor 15:1-21,51-58)
- 11* The Matters of the Heart (Eccl 1:1-18)
- 18 The Meaningless of Labour under the Sun (Eccl 2:18-26)
- 25 The Opportune Time for Everything (Eccl 3:1-12)

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MAY 2021

- 2 The Beauty of Two in God's Economy (Eccl 4:4-21)
- 9* The Management of the Tongue (Eccl 5:1-13)
- 16 The Mindless Pursuit of Wealth (Eccl 6:1-12)
- 23 The Basis for True Spiritual Discretion (Eccl 7:1-17)
- 30 Reverence and Fear of God (Eccl 8:1-13)

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JUNE 2021

- 6 The Intervention of God (Eccl 9:7-18)
- 13* Speech and Danger of Laziness (Eccl 10 :12-20)
- 20 Wise Counsel for Young and Old (Eccl 11:1-10)
- 27 Gospel Sunday: Fruitful Aging and the Chief Purpose of Man (Eccl 12:1-13)

Memory Verse

Acts 6:4 But we will give ourselves continually to prayer,
and to the ministry of the word.

Announcements

1. Welcome to our Worship Service! For our visitors, do leave us your contact numbers in our guest book before you leave.
2. Pastor Jack speaks today on **“The Church Priorities & Revival” (Acts 6:1-9)**, continuing the 2021 Jan – Mar sermon series on **“An Appraisal & Understanding of Biblical Revivals”**.
3. Pastor Jack speaks next Sunday on **“The Dangers of False Revivals/Conversions” (Acts 8:5-24)**.
4. Sunday School classes continues in church after the worship service:
 - WCF Shorter Catechism Class – Pastor Jack
 - “Rules for Walking in Fellowship by John Owen” – Dn Choo Siang
 - Studies in Leviticus – Dr Kwong Leen
5. Chinese Fellowship meets on Sunday night at 7pm via Zoom with both local and overseas brethren. We continue our series of study and discussions on Church History tonight.
6. Do send your prayer items to Pastor and join us for Church Prayer Meeting on Wed at 8pm via Zoom. The Mar prayer list is available from Dn Choo Siang.
7. Do come and bring someone to hear the Gospel at our **Good Friday (2 Apr) & Resurrection Sun (4 Apr) Worship Services**.
8. Monthly Neighbourhood Bible Class meets on the first Friday of the month at 7.30pm in church on the study of 2 Samuel. Do come and join us for a time of learning God’s Word.
9. The Pandemic book can be purchased through Dn Yue Kay (Hp: +65 97450311) or via email at sovereignhopebpc@gmail.com.
10. Do kindly observe the safety measures of the church and assist with the weekly cleaning of the premises.
11. Love gifts, Offering and Tithes to the Lord can be given in the following ways:
 - **Cheque** payable to **Sovereign Hope Bible Presbyterian Church** and mail to church address. (Kindly write the full name of the church as indicated.)
 - **Fund transfer** to Church **UOB** Account **392-308-825-1**
 - **PayNow** to Church UEN: **T19SS0116FSOV**
