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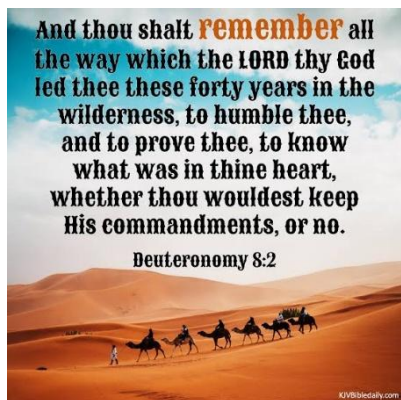
Handling Temptations & Tribulations of Life

God does not promise that our Christian life is a plain sailing one without any testing and suffering. 1Cor 10:13 reminds us *"there hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man..."*. Our Lord in John 16:33 tell us *"...in the world ye shall have tribulation..."*. Apostle Peter in 1 Peter 5:9b also mentioned that *"... knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world"*.

We know God has his purpose and reason for us to face challenges in life, be it trial, testing, suffering or persecution. Trials do indeed make us stronger and steadfast in our faith. They help us to grow in Christian maturity. Turmoils and troubles are a part of life as we are living in a sin cursed and fallen world.

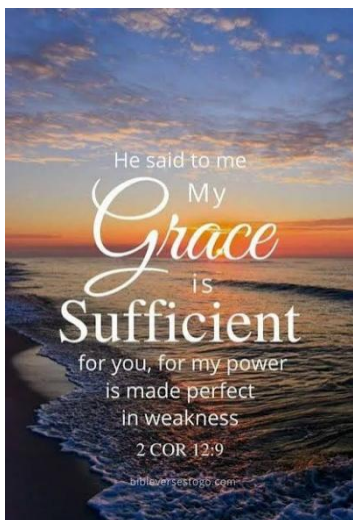


Why does God Allow Challenges in our Life?



(1) **To expose and reveal any hidden sin in our life.** Deut 8:2 ~ *"...to humble thee, and to prove thee, to know what was in thine heart, whether thou wouldest keep his commandments, or no"*. When pain brings unrepented sin to mind, God's only expectation is our repentance and faith in Him. (Psa 119:67 & 71).

(2) **To test and authenticate our faith to see whether is genuine.** (2Cor 13:5). Trials refine us and God uses suffering to burn away our impurities - insecurity, pride and self-reliance. For God is our loving Father and Creator who shapes our lives (Isa 64:8; Jas 1:2-4; 1Pet 1:6-7)



(3) **To strengthen our faith and develop our character - patience & steadfastness.** (Rom 5:2-5)

(4) **To make us to rely solely on God** in prayer and submissive to His will, to rest upon His grace which is sufficient for us. (2Cor 12:9-10)

(5) **To prepare for greater weight of glory with eternal perspective and to demonstrate God's faithfulness to us.** (2Cor 4:17; Job 1:10)

(6) **To partake in fellowship of Christ's sufferings** as we, servants of The Lord is no greater than our Master. (1Pet 4:12-19; John 13:16 & 15:20)

(7) **To learn to bear one another's burdens and comfort one another** through our sufferings. (Gal 6:2; 2Cor 1:3-6)

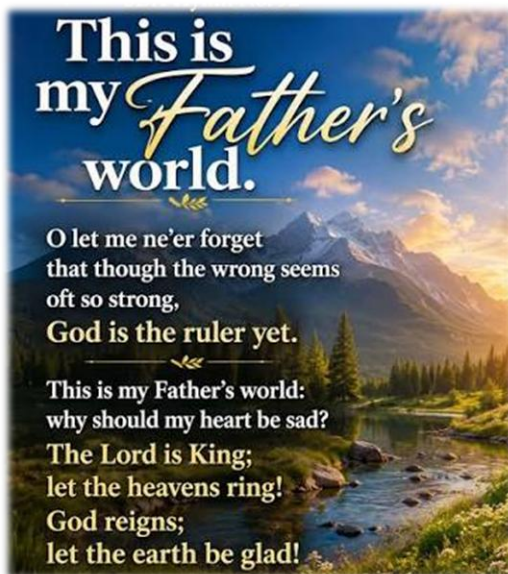
How to Respond to Challenges in Life?

A - Acknowledge that we are weak (2Cor 12:10), be humble (Jas 4:6), and knowing that we cannot depend on our own wisdom and strength. (Prov 3:5-6)

B - Believe and trust in God's sovereignty. The Lord is in control as He sits on His Throne in Heaven and the earth is His footstool. He does whatsoever He pleases (Rom 8:28; Isa 66:1; Psa 115:3)

C - Commit to God all challenges in prayer with thanksgiving. Pray for everything - for faith, patience, wisdom, endurance, courage and hope. (Phil 4:6-7)

D - Depend on God's Spirit, power, strength and wisdom (Zech 4:6; Isa 40:29-31; Jas 1:5)



Challenges are not meant to defeat us but to deepen and strengthen our faith. They teach perseverance, strengthen hope, and remind us to lean on God's promises. So, face all challenges in life with faith, patience, wisdom, endurance, courage and hope in the Lord.

- C** **Casting all your care upon him;** for he careth for you. (1Pet 5:7; Psa 55:22)
- H** **Hold fast to hope.** Heb 10:23 ~ *"Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; for he is faithful that promised"* and Heb 6:19 ~ *"Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast..."*
- A** **Anchor yourself in faith.** 2Cor 5:7~ *"For we walk by faith, not by sight."*
- L** **Lean on God's Strength.** Isa 40:29 ~ *"He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increased strength"*
- L** **Learn perseverance through trials.** Jas 1:3&4 ~ *"Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience. But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing."*
- E** **Endure with courage for The Lord is with us and He will never leave nor forsake us.** Heb 13:5; Jos 1:6,7,9 & 18 ~ *"...only be strong and of good courage."*
- N** **Never give up in prayer,** pray without ceasing and giving thanks always. Luke 18:1; Phil 4 :6-7; 1Thes 5:17-18)
- G** **Grow through adversity.** Rom 5:3-4 ~ *"And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience; and patience, experience; and experience, hope."*
- E** **Embrace God's promises.** Rom 8:28 &32 ~ *"And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose."*
- S** **Stand firm in His Word and feed on God's Word** for His Word is spirit and life. Eph 6:11; Psa 119:105; John 6:63)

When we face challenges in life, be it trial or suffering, the Word of God reminds in 2Cor 4:17-18 ~ *"For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory; while we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal."* We know that this life is "perishing" (2Cor 4:16), but we look forward to something permanent in the next life (2Cor 5:1).

May God help us in our work of faith, and labour of love, and patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ (1Thes 1:3) as we sojourn here, trusting, loving and serving Him till He returns. AMEN.

Eld Yue Kay

**Last Sunday
@Sovereign Hope BPC
A Blessed Time of
Learning & Fellowship
with Rev Dr Tim Yates**



Sunday Worship Service.

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BIBLICAL COUNSELING SEMINAR

Equipping the Church to Help the Hurting with God's Truth

6 SEP 2026, SUN

10 AM  **The Case for Balaam**

12 PM  **Biblical counseling in a mentally disturbed world**

 *Come and find out how you can help others with mental concerns. All are welcome.*

Dr Tim Yates
Dean of MA Counseling,
China Reformed
Theological Seminary,
Taiwan




Thank you for the Sunday Sermon & Seminar; and the sharing.
May God bless your ministry in Singapore and beyond.



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Lunch Fellowship followed by the Biblical Counselling Seminar by Dr Yates.

Thank you for your warmth hospitality and your ministry Pastor Jack. I am grateful for the learning. May the Lord continue to bless and anoint you and your church 🙏🌈.

MOE psychologist.



Wished you were here?

Click on the links below to access the video recordings.

Worship Service: <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=pfVXQ5-tWKg&ra=m>

Biblical Counselling Seminar: <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=pfVXQ5-tWKg&ra=m>



Dinner Fellowship on Sat 5 Sep 2026 with Dr Tim Yates, Dr Yap & Julie, Pastor & Angie.

**Invite your family and friends to
the Gospel Sunday Worship Service
on 27 Sep 2026!**



27 Sep 2026 | Gospel Sunday | 10AM

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**LIVING LIFE
UNDER THE**



**NOT JUST
UNDER THE SUN**

1 John 1:1-10

孙友强牧师
Pastor Jack Sin



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不只活在日光之下，更要活在圣子之下。

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***Come & Join Us!
Door-to-Door Evangelism
Today Sun 13 Sep
at Macpherson Estate.***

Blessed Birthday, Bro Peter Ong!



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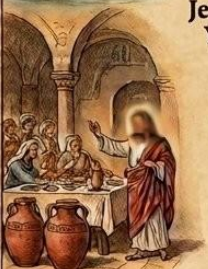
Bethlehem! the sacred place of the babe,
O how I love to see and cannot wait,
The place where our Saviour was born,
In a lowly manger that was forlorn.



Galilee! O the richness of thy sea.
The place where Peter walked with thee,
Who caught many fishes from his net,
And followed Christ with a heart that's set.



Jerusalem! O how lovely are thy sacred dwellings,
You are the dream of many pilgrims a-yearning,
Who have with them their devotion brought,
To walk Via Dolorosa where Jesus trod.



Cana! O what a wondrous sight to behold,
That first miracle by the Saviour so,
Who by his word, water was turned to wine,
That all at the wedding could eat and dine.



Joppa! O what a remembrance of a fish,
Who swallowed Jonah on his way to Tarshish,
From a mission which he was called
And almost did not want to list' at all.



Moriah! the mount where Abraham stood,
With Isaac his beloved son for a kill,
Only the Lord could resist him still,
Who had his heart obediently yield.



Mount of Olives! O the lofty heights of joy,
Of our Lord who will come and land,
To bring us back to him again.
May this hope in our hearts forever reign,



Tel Aviv, Israel, 9 Dec 1991
Jack and Angelina Sin

Memory Verse

Deut 30:6 And the LORD thy God will circumcise thine heart, and the heart of thy seed, to love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, that thou mayest live.

Announcements

1. Welcome to our Worship Service! If you are here for the first time, do leave us your contact numbers in our guest book before you leave. Those who share the church vision to acquire a place of worship in due time, may designate your offerings to the SHBPC Church Building Fund.
2. Pastor brings us God's Word this morning on "***Making Major Decisions in Life (Deut 30:1-20)***", continuing the quarterly series on "***Precious Insights from a Veteran Prophet - the Book of Deuteronomy***".
3. Next Sunday, Pastor will preach on "***Doctrine of Moses Applied (Deut 32:1-21)***".
4. Sunday School classes after the worship service are:
 - Walk Thru the Old Testament (Pastor)
 - Studies in Revelation (Dr Kwong Leen)
5. There will be **Door-to-Door evangelism at Macpherson Estate today** after lunch. Come and join the team to invite the residents to our **Gospel Sunday on 27 Sep. Do invite someone for the Gospel Sunday**
6. Chinese Fellowship meets every Sunday night at 7pm via Zoom. [**Zoom ID:883 9662 4157 Passcode: 218178**]. Join us for time of learning on the Book of Hosea (Thirdmill video lessons) and Heroes of the Faith (messages).
7. Do send your prayer items to Pastor and join us for Church Prayer Meeting on Wed at 8pm via Zoom. The prayer list is available in church. [**Zoom ID:863 7527 5431 Passcode: 625551**].
8. Pray for:
 - **Travel: KM & Sharon** [Japan, 9-17 Sep], **Paul K** [Japan, 9-17 Sep], **Eld YK, Albert & Janet, John W** [Gideons Conference in Sabah, 16-23 Sep].
 - **Joseph & Rachel:** Gospel Peace Station Mooncake Festival Outreach on 19 Sep and void deck outreaches
 - **Gospel Sunday on 27 Sep.**
 - **Medical: Simon** [hospitalization, depression], **Kin Hoong's daughter Joyce** [chemotherapy], **Ps Babu's father-in-law** [treatment options for pancreatic cancer]
 - **Lily Almon** [citizenship application]
 - **Mission Trip to Myanmar [10-17 Nov]**
9. Love gifts, Offering and Tithes to the Lord can be given in the following ways:
 - **Cheque** payable to **Sovereign Hope Bible Presbyterian Church**
 - **Fund transfer** to Church **UOB** Account **392-308-825-1**
 - **PayNow** to Church UEN: **T19SS0116FSOV**

Kindly indicate "**Church Building Fund**" if you would like to designate towards this cause.