

Though our feelings  
come and go,  
God's love for us does not.  
-C.S. Lewis

Our Collections 我们的奉献	1 <sup>st</sup> -22 <sup>nd</sup> 'July'12 七月	1st - 30 <sup>th</sup> Jun'12 六月	01.10.11 - 22.07.12 Cumulative 累积	01.10.11 - 30.06.12 Cumulative 累积
<b>Tithe/Offering/Other collection</b> 十一/奉献/其他	14,098.76	11,436.50	159,603.67	145,504.91
<b>Pledge collection 宣誓 (Monthly target 每月目标\$4,300)</b>	4,127.00	6,100.00	45,397.00	41,270.00
<b>Rental income from tenant 分租收入</b>	-	3,000.00	30,800.00	30,800.00
<b>Mission Fund 宣教基金</b>	210.00	-	1,430.00	1,220.00
<b>Church Building Fund 建堂费</b>	-	-	614.00	614.00
<b>Total Collection 总收入</b>	18,435.76	20,536.50	237,844.67	219,408.91
<b>Church Building Fund 建堂费 (Balance Sheet)</b>	-	-	38,654.00	38,654.00

If you are making out a cheque, kindly mark

若您使用支票, 请填上

"Church of Punggol Sengkang Limited"

or you may deposit into our OCBC Account No 或存入我们的 OCBC 户口号码:

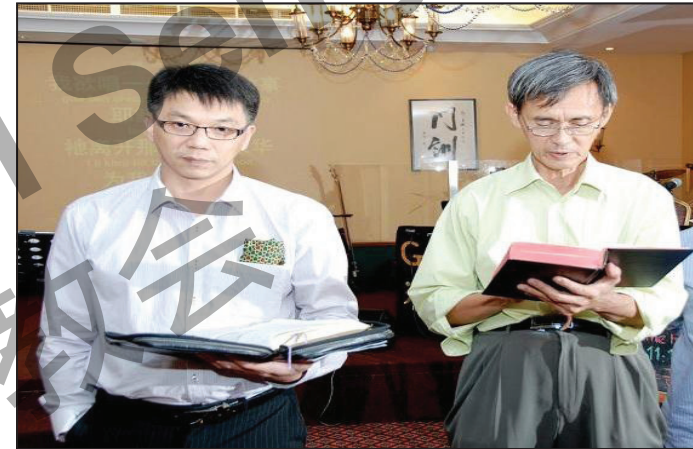
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**Mark 12:43-44:** Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, "I tell you the truth, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. 44They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on."

**马可12:43-44:**

耶稣叫门徒来、说、我实在告诉你们、这穷寡妇投入库里的、比众人所投的更多。因为他们是自己有余、拿出来投在里头。但这寡妇是自己不足、把她一切养生的都投上了。

**Understanding Our Covenant With God  
To Understand our RELATIONSHIP With God,  
we MUST Understand the Blood Covenant**



Last Saturday, 21-07-2012, from 4.30pm to 6.00pm Bro Leslie Foo patiently took us through Lesson 1 of the 6 Lessons on the importance of Understanding our Covenant With God. Beloved, the ONLY reason we can approach our Loving God today is that Jesus Christ who splitted the curtain Separating Us from the Holiest of all. Christ opened the WAY so that now we have full access into His Holy Presence because HE sees us through the Blood Sacrifice that Jesus shed for us. It is for this Reason we in CoPS takes very seriously our weekly Holy Communion. In this Sacrament laid down by our Lord, we BREAK BREAD and POUR WINE to remember what our Lord Jesus did for us on the Cross of Calvary. Once we understand this Blood Covenant. We will treasure and hold High regard for the "BREAD and WINE". The leadership is very firm in asking ALL CoPSians to attend the remaining 5 lessons. If you are leading the Holy Communion Service, serving at the Table of Love or even collecting the cups and even partaking the Communion; the leadership will WANT you to attend this doctrinal teaching.

Bro Leslie Foo kicked started the lessons from Hebrews 6 urging those present in the class to "Leave the elementary teachings about Christ and Go On To Maturity....." Beloved two characteristics of "spiritual babe" are (1) Dull of hearing Hebrews 5:11 and (2) Unskilful in the Word Hebrew 5:13 and the two characteristics of "spiritual adult" are (1) Capable of instructions Hebrews 5:14 and (2) Powers of discrimination Hebrews 5:14. Beloved, let's do our personal spiritual health check. Now, how do you fare? - still a babe or going onto adulthood.



He went on to quote various scriptural texts to support the "Covenant With God". Genesis 4:1-5 read Abel, he also brought of the first fruits of his flock and of the fat thereof. And the LORD had respect unto Abel and to his offering BUT unto Cain and to his offering he had NOT respect. Why? Come and learn together with bro Peter khoo, sis Meizhen, Lay Sim, Serene Khoo, Tricia Phua, Jane Aw, Judy Chong, Pauline Ang, Ps Wang & Ps David Kerk. Sufficient announcements have been made in our weekly CoPStimes.

Time To Grow Up  
Leave the Elementary Teachings  
About The Christ,  
let us Press On to Maturity

认识你与神的立约  
认识你与神的关系  
我们必须认识血约

上周六, 21-07-2012, 4.30pm 至 6.00pm Leslie Foo 弟兄耐心地带领我们明白第一至六课, 认识与神的立约的重要性。蒙福的, 我们唯靠耶稣基督才可亲近神。耶稣基督开路, 藉着他的宝血献祭让我们能亲近圣洁的神。为此理由, 榜鹅盛港教会每周日认真看待圣餐。主要我们纪念这圣物-掰饼和倒酒, 来纪念主耶稣为我们在加略山十架上成就的。我们要明白这血约, 就懂得珍惜, 尊重这"饼和杯"了。管理层坚持要求所有榜鹅盛港教会会友参加接下来的5堂课。若你主持圣餐聚会, 服侍圣餐前, 收取杯子, 或享用饼和杯; 那管理层要你来参加这教义的指导。

Leslie Foo 开堂以希伯来书 6 章勉励在场者"步出对基督的基本认识, 进而成熟。"蒙福的, "属灵宝宝" 有两大品性 (1) 听觉迟钝 希 5:11 及 (2) 不认识神的话语 希 5:13, 而"属灵成人"也有两大品性 (1) 拥有指导能力 希 5:14 及 (2) 分辨的能力 希 5:14。蒙福的, 让我们自我属灵审查。现在, 你考得如何? - 是宝宝还是将步入成年。

他进而提出许多其它经文支持"与神的立约"。阅创 4:1-5 亚伯将他羊群中头生的, 和羊的脂油献上。神看中亚伯和他的供物, 只是看不中该隐和他的供物。为什么? 让我们与 Peter Khoo 弟兄, Meizhen 姐妹, Lay Sim 姐妹, Serene Khoo 姐妹, Tricia Phua 姐妹, Jane Aw 姐妹, Judy Chong 姐妹, Pauline Ang 姐妹, 王牧师和大卫牧师, 一起来学习。我们的周讯已经作了足够的宣传。

是时候长大  
步出对基督的基本认识  
竭力向前成熟

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION 基督教教育

### BIBLE: MAKES YOU EXCITED OR SLEEPY?

We know that the bible is God's word to us. We know that in the pages of the Bible are words that give us life. Jesus mentioned in John 6:63 "It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing; the words that I speak unto you, **they are spirit, and they are life.**" So the Word of God is supposed to give us life, and not make us sleepy when we read the bible. Yet many of us dread even to open the pages of the bible, unless we want to sleep. Sometimes it works better than any sleeping pill you take. Why do we feel this way?

The bible tells us in Eph 1:17-18 "That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you **the spirit of wisdom and revelation** in the knowledge of him:

**The eyes of your understanding being enlightened..."**

We ought to always pray like Paul that we receive also the spirit of wisdom and revelation of His word. That is the Spirit revealing the word to our spirit, without which we will never understand the Word like our Father wants us to. Our spiritual eyes need to be enlightened with the Word of God in order for us to see the spiritual truths.... Otherwise we will always see darkness and never the light.

That is why many Christians feel sleepy when they read the bible. That is why many people don't get excited by the reading of the Word. Brethren, let us therefore begin by asking God constantly and continuously for the Spirit of Wisdom and revelation to open our understanding. Lets us all begin to start seeing the spiritual truths in the Word and love the Word.

Amen.

In His Love

Bro Leslie

## 圣经：让你兴奋还是困倦？

我们都知道圣经乃是神对我们说的话。我们也晓得圣经篇章中的话语赐我们生命。耶稣在约翰6:63表明“叫人活着的乃是灵、肉体是无益的，我对你们所说的话、就是灵、就是生命。”所以神的话语乃是带给我们生命，不是让我们读了困倦的。然而，我们许多人若非想要入眠，都惧怕打开圣经的篇章。有时，阅读圣经比服食安眠药还快入睡。我们为何会如此？

圣经中弗1:17-18告知我们“求我们主耶稣基督的神、荣耀的父、将那赐人智慧和启示的灵、赏给你们、使你们真知道他。

并且照明你们心中的眼睛…”

我们应当效仿保罗如此祷告，让我们领受他话语的智慧和启示的灵。若非圣灵向我们的灵启示神话语的奥妙，我们将无法了解天父对我们生命的旨意。我们必须让神的话语照明我们心中的眼睛，让我们看清属灵的真理…。不然，我们只能看见黑暗，永远看不见亮光。

这就是为什么许多基督徒看圣经就觉得困倦。这就是为什么许多人阅读神的话语却不觉兴奋。主内们，让我们横切不断求神赐我们智慧和启示的灵。让我们开始看见神话语中的属灵真理，并爱上它。

阿门

在主爱中

Leslie 弟兄



Our God Will Respond  
To All Your Call

我们的神将回复你的呼求



Do NOT Despair when  
things Do NOT Go as  
You Desire

当事情非你所愿，不要  
沮丧



You Can Trust HIM  
and Receive His  
Blessings

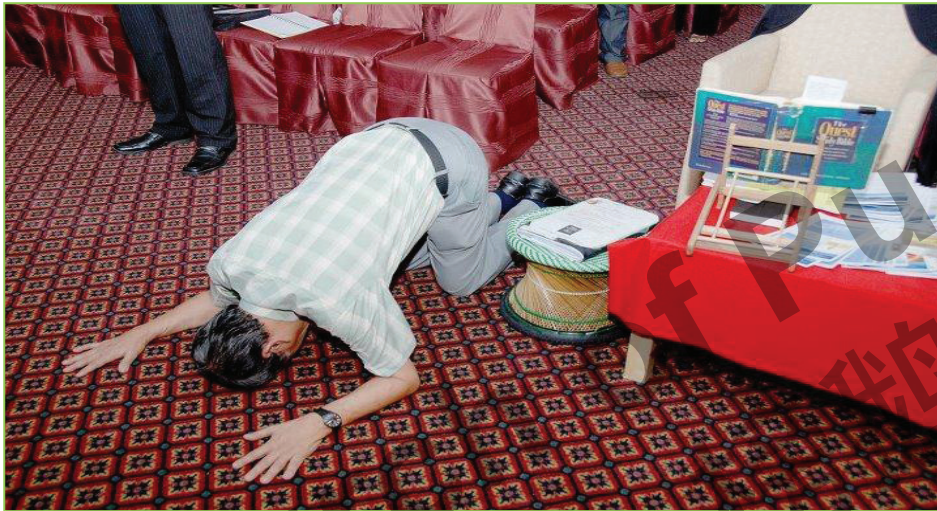
祂是你的神，祂以知识  
回应你





You Can Trust HIM  
and Receive His  
Blessings.

你可相信祂并领受祂的  
祝福。



I'm Glad God Isn't Fair. IF HE is fair I wouldn't be here  
today God's Fairness Is NOT what I Really Needed - His  
Grace & Mercy

我感谢神是不公平的。若祂是公平的，我无法在这儿  
我务需神的公平，我真正需要 - 祂的恩典和怜悯

## Church Camp 2012 教会圣经营 2012 Discipled To Disciple 受门训成为门徒

Church camp is an event that CoPS has organised for the well-being for all of us. It is a time of coming together to encounter God, listen to power-packed biblical messages, enjoy the fellowship among the brethren and make new friends.

教会圣经营是榜鹅盛港教会为大家获益而组织的。这是个团聚的时光。大家一起来经历神，聆听神的道，享受主内们彼此的团契和认识新朋友。

### Novotel



Swiss Inn



Golden View



Still waiting to finalize which campsite is best for all of us. Do pray with us for wisdom in this matter. Look out for more details in the coming weeks

我们还未决定最合适的营会地点。请与我们一起祷告，让我们在这事上有智慧。更多详情，请留意接下来的周迅。

*Celebrate with Joy and Thanks to God, its 喜乐欢腾感谢神  
5th Anniversary Thanksgiving Celebration 五周年感恩庆典  
ALL In HIS GRACE 全靠祂的恩典*

**Fellow CoPSians, URGENTLY 榜鹅盛港教会成员, 紧急:**

Your co-operation Is Greatly Appreciated  
We need Your GUESTS List to Send Out their Invitation Card  
We need Your GUESTS List to Order Souvenir Door Gift  
We need Your GUESTS List For Food Catering Purposes  
感谢你的给予合作  
我们需要你的宾客名单，寄出邀请卡  
我们需要你的宾客名单，订购纪念礼品  
我们需要你的宾客名单，订购食物

**Fellow CoPSians, URGENTLY 榜鹅盛港教会成员, 紧急:**

Your participation is Greatly Appreciated  
To Rehearse Together in The Celebration  
To Stay Back on 29/07/12, 05/08/12, 12/08/12, 19/08/12, 26/08/12, 02/09/12,  
09/09/12 & 16/09/12  
To Pray God's PRESENCE at all the rehearsals  
感谢你的参与  
为这庆典一起彩排  
请留下彩排: 29/07/12, 05/08/12, 12/08/12, 19/08/12, 26/08/12,  
02/09/12, 09/09/12 及 16/09/12  
祷告神同在于每个彩排

CHURCH OF PUNGGOL SENGGANG LIMITED

CASHFLOW STATEMENT

Descriptions	10/1/2010	10/1/2011										
	to 30/9/2011	to 30/6/2012	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
	12 Months	9 Months	Oct-11	Nov-11	Dec-11	Jan-12	Feb-12	Mar-12	Apr-12	May-12	Jun-12	
	Total (\$\$)	Total (\$\$)										
<b>Opening balance</b>	<b>88,475.20</b>	<b>92,649.74</b>		<b>92,649.74</b>	<b>106,726.70</b>	<b>79,987.00</b>	<b>61,208.43</b>	<b>58,355.00</b>	<b>57,947.03</b>	<b>53,219.63</b>	<b>55,204.23</b>	<b>43,795.91</b>
<i>Tithes</i>	75,444.97	54,875.36	20,569.61	10,265.00	5,314.96	5,895.00	4,883.30	5,560.09	7,194.20	5,988.60	4,377.11	5,397.10
<i>Offerings</i>	131,005.35	70,323.25	60,682.10	6,511.45	4,356.90	10,354.90	5,910.00	6,336.80	6,586.20	17,120.40	7,157.20	5,989.40
<i>Pledges</i>	39,482.00	41,270.00	(1,788.00)	4,510.00	6,010.00	5,100.00	4,750.00	3,500.00	3,300.00	5,000.00	3,000.00	6,100.00
<i>Building Fund</i>	5,710.00	614.00	5,096.00	500.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	114.00	-
<i>Others</i>	59,013.92	51,061.30	7,952.62	6,284.00	6,837.00	4,720.80	11,145.00	9,540.00	3,110.00	3,120.00	3,300.00	3,005.00
<i>Mission Fund</i>	5,447.00	1,220.00	4,227.00	500.00	-	-	-	-	400.00	320.00	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Add: Cash inflow</b>	<b>316,103.24</b>	<b>219,363.91</b>	96,739.33	<b>28,570.45</b>	<b>22,518.86</b>	<b>26,070.20</b>	<b>26,688.30</b>	<b>24,936.89</b>	<b>20,190.40</b>	<b>31,629.00</b>	<b>18,268.31</b>	<b>20,491.50</b>
<i>Staff salary, cpf, cdac, training</i>	83,141.00	68,213.00	14,928.00	5,777.00	5,777.00	13,652.00	9,122.00	6,777.00	6,777.00	6,777.00	6,777.00	6,777.00
<i>Rental expenses</i>	127,446.63	117,994.25	9,452.38	-	24,310.40	13,963.50	13,225.20	13,594.35	13,225.20	13,225.20	13,225.20	13,225.20
<i>Rental deposits</i>	8,000.00	6,000.00	2,000.00	-	6,000.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Upkeep expenses</i>	11,416.44	7,346.86	4,069.58	1,150.50	528.95	311.84	3,738.17	362.00	239.00	300.30	252.30	463.80
<i>Professional expenses</i>	6,929.00	8,023.60	(1,094.60)	538.00	538.00	538.00	538.00	538.00	538.00	538.00	1,519.60	2,738.00
<i>General expenses</i>	47,574.24	39,259.02	8,315.22	4,504.49	4,200.76	5,600.14	1,915.79	2,829.26	3,728.60	5,483.28	6,536.69	4,460.01
<i>Church event expenses</i>	9,826.52	3,214.06	6,612.46	160.50	-	-	-	-	-	2,046.32	1,007.24	-
<i>Camp expenses</i>	838.41	15,258.00	(14,419.59)	963.00	6,695.00	7,600.00	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Festive expenses</i>	6,675.25	4,040.61	2,634.64	-	199.50	2,680.29	902.57	44.25	-	214.00	-	-
<i>Ministry expenses</i>	10,081.21	6,854.85	3,226.36	1,400.00	1,008.95	503.00	100.00	1,200.00	410.00	1,060.30	358.60	814.00
<i>Tax expenses</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Less: Cash outflow</b>	<b>311,928.70</b>	<b>276,204.25</b>		<b>14,493.49</b>	<b>49,258.56</b>	<b>44,848.77</b>	<b>29,541.73</b>	<b>25,344.86</b>	<b>24,917.80</b>	<b>29,644.40</b>	<b>29,676.63</b>	<b>28,478.01</b>
<i>Net Cash flow + / (-)</i>	<b>4,174.54</b>	<b>(56,840.34)</b>		<b>14,076.96</b>	<b>(26,739.70)</b>	<b>(18,778.57)</b>	<b>(2,853.43)</b>	<b>(407.97)</b>	<b>(4,727.40)</b>	<b>1,984.60</b>	<b>(11,408.32)</b>	<b>(7,986.51)</b>
<b>Closing balance</b>	<b>92,649.74</b>	<b>35,809.40</b>		<b>106,726.70</b>	<b>79,987.00</b>	<b>61,208.43</b>	<b>58,355.00</b>	<b>57,947.03</b>	<b>53,219.63</b>	<b>55,204.23</b>	<b>43,795.91</b>	<b>35,809.40</b>

OCBC BANK STATEMENT

<b>Opening Balance</b>		<b>97,677.61</b>	<b>97,677.61</b>	<b>105,929.20</b>	<b>74,617.89</b>	<b>62,842.43</b>	<b>55,686.00</b>	<b>58,874.75</b>	<b>57,673.48</b>	<b>61,582.08</b>	<b>45,875.95</b>
<i>Deposit</i>		233,759.30	21,908.95	24,250.40	32,000.16	23,869.30	24,105.89	31,470.29	28,129.00	27,168.31	20,857.00
<i>Withdrawal</i>		293,135.97	13,657.36	55,561.71	43,775.62	31,025.73	20,917.14	32,671.56	24,220.40	42,874.44	28,432.01
<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>97,677.61</b>	<b>38,300.94</b>	<b>105,929.20</b>	<b>74,617.89</b>	<b>62,842.43</b>	<b>55,686.00</b>	<b>58,874.75</b>	<b>57,673.48</b>	<b>61,582.08</b>	<b>45,875.95</b>	<b>38,300.94</b>

## Announcements 通告

### 1. Financial Assistance 财务援助

If you are approached by anyone asking for any financial assistance, please ask them to call Pastor David Kerk or any of our Board Members : Bro Larry Eio, Sisters Lay Sim or Sandy.  
若任何人找你要求财务援助, 请让他们致电郭金骝主任牧师或管理层委员: Larry Eio 弟兄, Lay Sim 姐妹或 Sandy 姐妹。

### 2. Pre Service Prayer 会前祷告

We invite you to join us for 10 minutes of prayer before the 10.30am Morning Service.  
Come and be refreshed by our Lord  
我们邀请你参加 10.30am 早会的 10 分钟会前祷告。来, 让主使你得舒畅

### 3. Prayer Ministry At The Altar 祭坛前的祷告事工

Please keep in an attitude of Prayer while the Leadership is ministering to the brethren. All leaders are invited to pray for those who responded to the Altar Call. Kindly wait for the Chairman for further instructions.  
肢体事工期间, 请敬重主。请为上前来领受代祷者, 祷告支持他们。请等候聚会主席的指示。

### 4. Refrain From Using Your Mobile Phone During Service

#### 请勿使用手机 - 主日崇拜期间

Being supportive in Prayer and attentive to God's Word during Preaching Time. Minimise any distraction. Give due consideration to our fellow brethren who want to listen to God's Word.  
支持祷告, 正道时专心聆听神的话语。避免干扰。请体谅其他要聆听神话语的主内

### 5. Financial Status of CoPS 榜鹅盛港教会的财务状况

All attending members are welcome to view CoPS's Financial Statements and all banking Documents. If you need to make any clarification, kindly speak to Ps David Kerk or any of our Board Members. The Board will explain any "doubt" if you do have.  
我们欢迎所有参加的会员来看榜鹅盛港教会的财务报告和所有银行文件  
若你有需要解释的部分, 可以找郭金骝主任牧师或任何一位管理层委员解开你的“疑问”

## Announcements 通告

### 6.

On 10 June 2012, we received \$3,000 Cash. Can that giver see Snr Pastor David.  
我们于 6 月 10 日 2012, 收到 \$3,000 现金。在此呼吁请奉献者见大卫牧师。

### 7.

There is a PRESSING NEED to financially support the Ministry of Church of Punggol Sengkang and this is something you can do to be a Blessings to the many who have yet heard of the Good News of Jesus Christ. On behalf of our Board of Directors & Management, we ask of our Lord to pour down His continued Blessings upon you and your household.

Don't Miss the Opportunity to Enjoy God's blessings!  
Your Little In the Hands of Christ Is Always MUCH!  
Now, Choose To Do Something In Response To God's LOVE!  
Do Fill up the Pledge Form TODAY!

榜鹅盛港教会事工迫切需要财务上的支持, 而这正是你可做的 - 成为许多未听过耶稣基督福音的祝福。谨代表董事局和管理层, 我们祈求我主持续地倾下祂的祝福与你和家人。

别错过机会享受神的祝福!  
在基督手中你的少可成为多!  
现在就选择要回报神的大爱!  
今日就填写认捐表格!



## Today's Sermon

### Hard-Hearted OR Compassionately Concerned NO One Care For My Soul

Speaker: Snr Pastor David Kerk

Scripture Tex: Psalm 142

Key verse 4 : I looked on my right hand and see; NO one is concerned for me,  
NIV - I have no refuge;  
NO one Cares for my life.

NLT - I look for someone to come and help me, but NO one gives me a passing  
thought ! NO one will help me; NO one Cares a bit what happens to me

#### Background:

In his cave, hunted by Saul, David models for us the condition which most of us  
experience at some time; the feeling (often, But NOT always, based on fact) of being  
"hemmed or edged in". Circumstances, NOT always of our own making (as in the case  
of David), leave us No choice but to put up with uncertainty, sorrow, loss,  
disappointment, frustration, illness or whatever. In v3, David sighed "I am READY to  
give Up" - Today's English Version or "When my spirit grows faint within me,..." -  
NIV. And to make matter worse, other people, instead of coming to our help, LEAVE  
us to our fate..... NO one Cares a bit what happens to me. v4

In such situation, what can we do? - We can do what David did in v1 "I CRY ALOUD to  
the LORD; I LIFT up my voice to the LORD for Mercy. COMPLAIN is NOT the best  
way out - v2 I POUR out my COMPLAINT before him; before him I tell my trouble

David was NOT abandoned in his cave. God HEARD his cry. PRAYER is more than  
Just Being Saved, apostle Peter said it can be a prelude to deliverance. Acts 12:5 Peter  
was kept in Prison but PRAYER was made without ceasing unto God for him & PRAY-  
er ROCKED the Prison House. But if PRAYER is NOT, it is still a vehicle of HOPE.

The well-known German Pastor Dietrich Bonhoeffer said "God does NOT give us  
everything we WANT, but he does Fulfill his Promises.... constantly renewing our  
FAITH and NOT laying on us MORE than we can bear.... and leading us along the Best  
and Straightest road"

#### Main Points

1: God HEARS Your PRAYERS - Psalm 142:1-2

I Cry aloud to the LORD; I Lift up my voice to the LORD for Mercy. (v1)

I Pour out my complaint before him; before him I tell my trouble (v2)

1:1 There are times when PRAYER is Worship - Lord You Are Worthy  
Psalm 141:1-2 O Lord, I Call to YOU; Come quickly tome. Hear my voice when I  
Call to you.

May my PRAYER be set before YOU like INCENSE;...

1:2 There are times when PRAYER is Warfare - Lord You Open Prison Doors  
Acts 12:5 Peter was in PRISON, but PRAYER was made without ceasing of the  
Church unto God for him  
Acts 12:12 Peter at the PRAYER Meeting - house of Mary where many were  
gathered together praying

(God Can Turn the Cave of Fear into a Holy Of Holies - Lesson 5 "Understanding Our  
Covenant With God")

2: God KNOWS Your PATH - Psalm 142:3

When my spirit grows faith within me, it is YOU who KNOW my way

2:1 David Walked In God's Will But the enemy lied about him and set traps to  
catch him

1 Samuel 24:2 Saul has been pursuing David in an attempt to kill David from  
replacing him as Israel's next king

1 Samuel 24:11b Now understand and recognise that I am NOT guilty of  
wrongdoing or REBELLION. I have NOT wronged you, BUT you are  
HUNTING me down to take my life... and may the LORD avenge the wrongs  
you have DONE to me, but my hand will NOT TOUCH you (v12)

(We cannot always Trace God's Hand, but we can always TRUST God's Heart)

3: God FEELS Your PAIN - Psalm 142:4 (key verse)

Look to my right and see; NO one is concerned for me. I have NO refuge; NO one  
Cares for my life

3:1 David felt completely abandoned, But he KNEW the LORD was with him

3:2 When you FEEL like nobody cares, remember that HE Cares for you

1 Peter 5:7 CAST ALL your anxiety on HIM because HE Cares for you

(Our Lord Went through and Overcame ALL PAINS and Sufferings, If HE carries the  
weight of this world on His shoulder HE is more than able to carry Your Load of Pains)

4: God Is Your PORTION - Psalm 142:5

I cry to you, O LORD; I say, "YOU are my refuge, my PORTION in the  
land of the living



4:1 There was no way of escape and NO help except from GOD. David was in extreme helpless  
If you have GOD, what more do you need? One With God is a majority and fully satisfied

(You Don't NEED to see God to KNOW that He's Right By Your side)

5: God Will Be PRAISED - Psalm 142:6-7  
Listen to my cry, for I am desperate need; rescue me from those who Pursue me, for they are too strong for me  
Set me FREE from my PRISON, that I may PRAISE Your NAME  
Then the RIGHTEOUS will gather about me because of Your GOODNESS to me.

5:1 It may NOT look like it NOW, but One day your trials (Test of your Faith In Our Lord) will turn out for your good and God's Glory. Start PRAISING Him now - by Faith - and you will be "Tuned UP" when the ANSWER comes

#### The GoodNESS of God

- G1: God's GOODNESS is NOT equal. God is GOOD to ALL in Some ways, BUT He's GOOD to SOME in ALL ways  
G2: God only Produces that Which is GOOD. So if something is NOT GOOD, it Did NOT Come from God.  
G3: Don't let anyone tell you that God's GOODNESS has to mean Bad things shouldn't Happen. God is GOOD because He takes the Bad things that happen to us and brings eternal GOOD out of them  
G4: God is So GOOD to us that it will take all eternity to Count the Ways He has blessed and benefitted us.  
G5: We are NOT "pumped" Christians is that we are NOT Grateful Christians

#### Reflection on Today's Message

God is concerned for all of us. Fear NOT what tomorrow may hold for you. Be always grateful with all the blessings HE has loaned you. It's time you response to Him in PRAISE for His abundant Goodness. If you are allowing or practising something in your life that may not be good by God's definition of Goodness, then pray this prayer with me. 'O Lord, open my eyes to those areas of my life that are NOT pleasing to YOU. May our conscience be captivated by Your Word.'

The percentage is a generalization of what we retain.  
Understanding and Remembering are better when we make notes.

#### 今日讲章:

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讲题: 硬心肠或怜悯关怀 - 每人都在乎我的灵魂

经文: 诗篇 142

主要经文 4 节: 求你向我右边观看, 因为没有人认识我。我无处避难, 也没有人眷顾我。

#### 背景:

大卫为扫罗所追捕, 躲入洞中。这像极了我们许多人经历的光景; 感受 (事实上: 是时常, 未必一直) 我们遭受 "埋伏或切入"。不受我们控制的环境 (如大卫的情况), 让我们无奈地忍受未知数, 伤感, 失落, 失望, 烦躁, 病痛或其他。3 节, 大卫叹息 "我真想放弃" - 今日英语版本 "我的灵在我里面发昏的时候..." - NIV。更糟糕的是, 其他人不来帮忙, 反倒让我们自身自灭..... 每人都在乎我发生什么事 4 节。

这种情况, 我们该如何? - 我们可效仿大卫 1 节 "我发声哀告耶和华, 发声恳求耶和华。投诉是最好的解决方案" - 2 节 我在他面前吐露我的苦情, 陈说我的患难。

大卫并未被丢弃在山洞中。神听见他的呼求。祷告不至是得救, 使徒彼得说它可带来释放。使徒 12:5 彼得在狱中, 教会不间断地为他代祷, 最终祷告震动了监狱。祷告也是盼望之门。

著名的德国牧师 Dietrich Bonhoeffer 曾说 "神不会给我们要求的一切, 但是祂将满足祂的应许... 继续不断地更新我们的信心, 不是让我们承受超过我们所能负担的... 带领我们走上最好最直的路"

#### 关键

- 1: 神垂听你的祷告 - 诗篇 142:1-2  
我发声哀告耶和华, 发声恳求耶和华 (1 节)  
我在他面前吐露我的苦情, 陈说我的患难 (2 节)

1:1 有时, 祷告就是敬拜 - 主祢是配得  
诗篇 141:1-2 耶和华阿, 我曾求告你, 求你快快临到我这里。我求告你的时候, 愿你留心听我的声音。愿我的祷告, 如香陈列在你面前。愿我举手祈求, 如献晚祭。

1:2 有时, 祷告就是争战 - 主求祢打开监狱之门  
使徒 12:5 彼得在狱中, 教会不间断地为他代祷



使徒 12:12 彼得在祷告会中 - 马利亚家中聚集一起祷告

(神可将惧怕的山洞变成至圣所 - 第五课 "认识我们与神的立约")

2: 神知道你的道路 - 诗篇 142:3

我的灵在我里面发昏的时候, 你知道我的道路

2:1 大卫行在神的旨意中, 但敌人污蔑他, 设计抓拿他

撒 24:2 扫罗追捕大卫要杀灭大卫, 以免他取代自己成为下任以色列王

撒 24:11b 你由此可以知道我没有恶意叛逆你。你虽然猎取我的命, 我却并没有得罪你。

愿耶和華在你我中间判断是非, 在你身上为我伸冤, 我却不亲手加害于你。(12节)

(我们不能一直看见神的手, 但我们可永远信靠神的心)

3: 神感受你的伤痛 - 诗篇 142:4 (主要经文)

求你向我右边观看, 因为没有人认识我。我无处避难, 也没有人眷顾我。

3:1 大卫觉得完全被丢弃, 但他知道神永远与他同在

3:2 当你觉得每人在乎你, 记得神眷顾你

彼前 5:7 将你的重担卸下给他, 因他眷顾你

(我们主经历种种痛苦和患难, 若祂能将世界的重担扛在肩上, 祂也必能扛起你痛楚的重担。)

4: 神是你的福分 - 诗篇 142:5

耶和華阿, 我曾向你哀求, 我说、你是我的避难所, 在活人之地、你是我的福分。

4:1 无处可逃, 无帮助之门, 唯有神。大卫就是在如此无助的光景中。

若你有神, 你还需要什么? 你与神就是多数, 就必满足

(你务须看见神, 却晓得祂就在你身旁)

5: 神必得颂赞 - 诗篇 142:6-7

求你侧耳听我的呼求, 因我落到极卑之地, 求你救我脱离逼迫我们的人, 因为他们比我强盛。

求你领我出离被囚之地, 我好称赞你的名, 义人必环绕我, 因为你是用厚恩待我。

5:1 现在光景未必如此, 但有一天你的试炼 (主里的信心试验) 将让你获益也着神的荣耀。今日就开始颂赞祂 - 凭信心 - 当答案来临时, 你能 "站起来"

神的厚恩

- 神的厚恩是不公平的。神在一些方面都厚恩待大家, 但祂全方面对一些人却是以厚恩对待的。

- 神只有发出良善。所以, 不好的, 必不出于神。

- 别让人误导你, 神的恩待使坏事发生。神是良善的, 因祂将发生在我们身上的坏事的永恒好处带出来, 使我们获益。

- 神是如此厚恩待我们, 我们需要永恒的时光来数算祂的祝福

- 我们不是 "吹大" 的基督徒, 而是不感恩的基督徒

今日信息反思

神关心我们大家。所以, 务须为明日担心。应当为祂赐予你的祝福而感恩。是你该回应祂的时候了, 开口颂赞祂的良善厚恩。若你的生命中有不讨祂喜悦的, 来跟我一起祷告 '主啊, 求你开我心眼, 看见我生命中不讨你喜悦的地方。愿我们的良知被你话语所占据'

一般上, 巴仙率是指我们能学存的。

若作笔记, 你能更明白和记忆更多。

Coming Up Next Sunday 来临主日 - Aug 八月 5, 2012

Pulpit Preacher 讲台传道人: Snr Pastor David Kerk 郭金熾主任牧师

Message on 讲题: And Jesus answering said, "Were there NOT Ten Cleansed? BUT Where Are the NINE?"

耶稣说、洁净了的不是十个人么。那九个在哪里呢。

Scripture Text 经文: Luke 路加 17:11-19

