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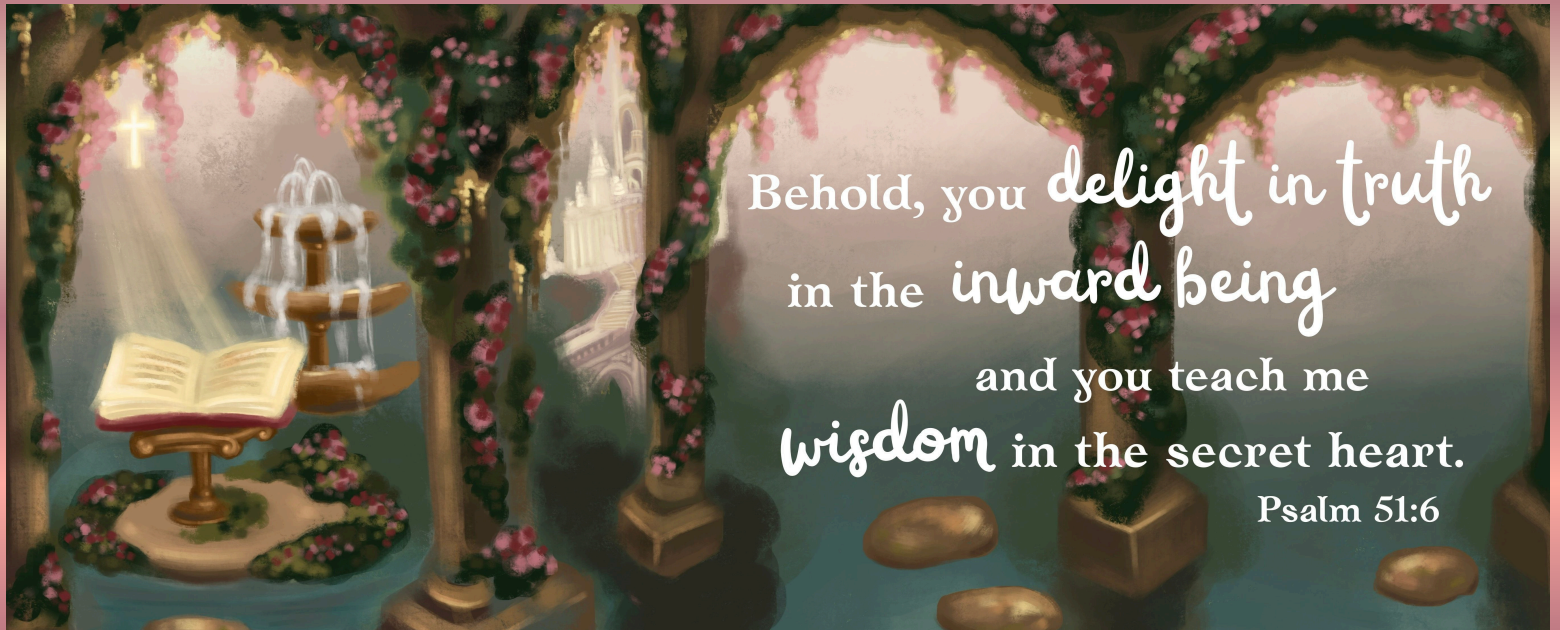
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Honour the Lord with your wealth, with the first fruits of all your crops. Proverbs 3:9

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- General Fund (GF)
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THANK YOU

For God loves a cheerful giver.

LADIES' PRAYER FELLOWSHIP

Today, 10:15am @ Annexe, L3

Topic: Gentleness—The Beauty of Love

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Today, 10:35am @ Annexe, L203 & over Zoom

Topic: Instructions From the Grave (Ecclesiastes 6:10-7:14)

SENIOR CITIZENS' MINISTRY

Thursday, 8 Oct, 10am @ Main Hall

Exercise: 9am @ 160CR (before the meeting)

Activity Day: Handicraft

BKC 90th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Saturday, 14 Nov, 5:30pm-8:30pm, in Church

BKC is turning 90! Let's continue to grow together in Christ by celebrating this special milestone as one body.

Please register via the QR code by 18 Oct.



SUNDAY PRAYER WITH ELDERS

Two elders will be available after the morning service to pray with anyone who seeks personal prayer support. This morning, Elders Paul Chan and Loon Sum Loon will be present to spend time with you in private prayer.

GOOD NEWS FOR THE BROKEN



Luke 4:14-44 introduces us to Jesus at the beginning of his public ministry. Jesus enters the synagogue, opens the Scriptures, and announces his mission: “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me.” Jesus came to bring good news to the poor, freedom to captives, sight to the blind, and release to the oppressed (v18).

This gives us a glimpse into his heart: Jesus sees people in their need. Whatever burdens we carry, Jesus is not indifferent to them. He came for people who know they are needy. He came for the poor, the captive, the wounded, the overlooked, and the spiritually broken. His ministry demonstrates that God’s grace is not an abstract idea. Instead, it meets people in the places where they hurt most. Luke tells us that Jesus then went on to heal the sick, cast out demons, and proclaim the kingdom of God. Wherever he went, his light confronted the darkness.

Jesus, however, did not come just to make comfortable people feel slightly better. He came to proclaim the arrival of God’s kingdom—and that kingdom confronts our assumptions, our pride, and our desire to keep God within comfortable boundaries.

The people of Nazareth initially admired Jesus, but their admiration quickly turned to anger when his words exposed their narrow expectations (v22-29). They wanted the Messiah on their terms. Jesus reminded them that God’s mercy reaches beyond the boundaries they preferred. Grace was not theirs to control.

We too can make the same mistake. We may gladly receive Jesus as long as he comforts us, answers our prayers, and affirms our expectations. But what happens when his teaching challenges our prejudices, our priorities, or our sense of entitlement?

Jesus calls us not merely to admire him, but to follow him. Following him means allowing his kingdom to reshape the way we see other people. It means caring for those whom society overlooks. It means offering forgiveness where resentment feels justified.

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FOCUS ON PRAYER



TODAY'S SPEAKER

Pray for Dr Richard Ong (Singapore Bible College) who gives us today's ministry message, **"The Kingdom Proclaimed, the Kingdom Come"** (Luke 4:14-44). Pray that we will have attentive hearts to this message given to us.

LIVING IN THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Dear Lord Jesus,

Fill us with your Holy Spirit and guide us in your mission. Give us compassion, courage, and faith to serve others. Help us proclaim your good news, bring freedom to those who are hurting, and offer hope to the broken. May your healing presence work through us wherever we go. We ask this in your name. Amen.

MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Pray for our Missions Committee:

- Pray for the Missions Committee as they pray and wait upon the Lord to mobilise BKC to "declare his glory" to the nations.
- Pray for them as they consider whether and how BKC can be involved in the ministry of El Shaddai, a ministry to stateless people and refugees.
- Ask the Lord to raise more prayer warriors within BKC for the Suffering Church and Unreached People Groups.

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It means bringing truth where there is deception, compassion where there is suffering, and hope where there is despair. It means sacrifice of our desires and ambitions as we align our will with Jesus', and live wholly for him.

The same Jesus who announces freedom calls us out of captivity. He who heals the wounded calls his followers to become instruments of his healing. And the same Jesus who proclaims good news invites us to embody that good news.

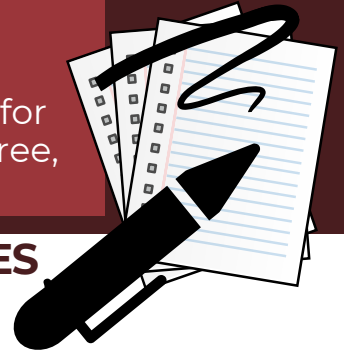
Dear church, let us bring our needs to Christ today. We do not need to hide our wounds from him. But let us also humbly ask him to show us where we need to change.

THEME: TEACH ME THY WAYS

Verses of the Week: Luke 4:18-19 (NIV)

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour."

SERMON NOTES



TODAY

The Kingdom Proclaimed, the Kingdom Come (Luke 4:14-44)

Dr Richard Ong
Singapore Bible College



NEXT SUNDAY

Jesus Calls Sinners (Luke 5:1-32)

Mr Joshua Lam
Head Chaplaincy, St Luke's Hospital