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Blessed 2020!



THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS

BY SENIOR PASTOR PRINCE GUNERATNAM

Blood is a mysterious substance only God could have created. While it does not produce life, it does carry it. Even though science does not fully understand its complexities, it is clear that without blood, life no longer exists. It knows no gender and it does not matter if the blood of a woman is given to a man or the blood of a Caucasian is given to an Oriental; it is universal in its capacity to carry life. Blood does not determine the colour of our skin or our personality. It simply carries the life that comes from God.

The human blood is effective and powerful, and gives a glimpse of what the blood of Jesus can do. Do not underestimate the precious, powerful work of the blood of Jesus. The precious blood of Jesus Christ must be understood spiritually as the Bible explains it.

1. THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS HAS MADE PEACE BETWEEN SINFUL MAN AND A HOLY GOD

The Bible says, “*For it pleased the Father that in Him all the fullness should dwell, and by Him to reconcile all things to Himself, by Him, whether things on earth or things in heaven, having made peace through the blood of His cross. And you, who once were alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now He has reconciled in the body of His flesh through death, to present you holy, and blameless, and above reproach in His sight*” (Colossians 1:19-22). There is no one apart from God who can reconcile you to God, so He had to send His only son, Jesus, to die on the cross. The blood of Jesus gives you victory over sin which separates you from God.

2. IT HAS WASHED US FROM SIN AND MADE US KINGS AND PRIESTS TO GOD

John reveals, “...Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler over the kings of the earth. To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood, and has made us kings and priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen” (Revelation 1:5-6). He has made you king. Rule the kingdom of your body. You can rule your mind, protect your imagination, and control your eyes, speech, behaviour, and lifestyle.

3. IT HAS REDEEMED OR PURCHASED US FROM THE POWER OF SATAN TO BELONG TO GOD

The Bible says, “*And they sang a new song, saying: “You are worthy to take the scroll, and to open its seals; for You were slain, and have redeemed us to God by Your blood out of every nation, making us kings and priests to our God; and we shall reign on the earth”*” (Revelation 5:9-10). Redemption comes with the payment of the ransom. Jesus paid the price to redeem us! When He made you priest, He has given you the most powerful position. Priests were people who stood in the presence of God. The blood of Jesus makes you worthy. Rule over your life and circumstances.

The Benefits of the Precious Blood of Jesus

- *It brings us near to God. “But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ”* (Ephesians 2:13) and “*Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus*” (Hebrews 10:19).
- We receive forgiveness for our sin through it. “*For this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins*” (Matthew 26:28) and “*In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace*” (Ephesians 1:7).



OVERCOMERS

HIS BLOOD OUR TESTIMONY

REVELATION 12:11

- It continues to cleanse us from sin. It is an ongoing process. He died 2,000 years ago, but His blood is still powerful. Live in the Calvary stream. Christ on the cross saves us from sin. Christ on the throne saves us from the power of sin, and Christ's Second Coming will save us from the presence of sin. His blood continues to flow today, so when He comes, we are prepared to meet Him.

It is important to get a Scriptural understanding of the cleansing power of the blood of Jesus. First, prophet Isaiah says, “*Come now, and let us reason together,”’ Says the Lord, ‘Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall be white as wool”*” (Isaiah 1:18). What an invitation! You are cleansed and made bold. You can stand in His presence. He won’t strike you as He struck His son, Jesus, on the cross.

Second, John teaches, “*But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one*

another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness” (1 John 1:7-9). We are cleansed from the guilt of sin when we walk in the light, as He is in the light.

4. WE ARE JUSTIFIED AND SANCTIFIED

Paul rejoices, “*Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. And not only that, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation*” (Romans 5:9-11). Justification deals with our position or standing in Christ while sanctification is our condition or state. Being justified, we are forgiven and delivered from the power of sin. But sanctification is progressive.

Whenever we have sinned, we do not have to remain in this condition or state, we can be justified and live a sanctified life.

5. WE ARE MADE HOLY AND SET APART FOR GOD

The Bible says, “*Therefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own blood, suffered outside the gate*” (Hebrews 13:12). To “sanctify the people” is to set them apart for God. Jesus is our sanctifier. He makes us holy. Paul says, “*But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God—and righteousness and sanctification and redemption*” (1 Corinthians 1:30). We are cleansed by the blood of Jesus and set apart, to live a holy life and have the members of our body become instruments of righteousness. One time you were a slave to sin and the members of your body were instruments of sin. But Jesus has set you free from sin. He is the Lord of your life and you have the power to live a holy and righteous life.

6. WE OVERCOME THE DEVIL BY HIS BLOOD

The Bible says, “*And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death*” (Revelations 12:11). Sin in your life gives the devil a foothold. When you apply the blood you have victory over the devil and you have a testimony. When Satan is defeated because of Jesus' blood, it affirms your faith. Testify and share what God is doing in and through you.

7. WE CAN SERVE GOD WITH A CLEAN CONSCIENCE

“*How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?*” (Hebrews 9:14). When you are cleansed from your conscience that bothers you because of the wrongs you have done, you can serve God effectively, by the empowering of the Holy Spirit.

8. IT GIVES US THE POWER AND THE RIGHT TO ENTER THE NEW CITY AND EAT OF THE TREE OF LIFE

John the apostle describes what awaits those washed by the blood, “*Then one of the elders answered, saying to me, ‘Who are these arrayed in white robes, and where did they come from?’ And I said to him, ‘Sir, you know.’ So he said to me, ‘These are the ones who come out of the great tribulation, and washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb’*” (Revelation 7:13-14) and “*Blessed are those who do His commandments, that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city*” (Revelation 22:14). Understand and appreciate that we who have been washed can enter into the heavenly city and eat from the tree of life. It is not by our church attendance, knowing the Scriptures, having a ministry, or doing good works that gets us to heaven, though they are the right things to do. It is by being washed by the blood of the Lamb and being obedient to His Word.

In the book of Genesis, there was a tree of life. When man sinned and was driven out of the Garden of Eden, God put an angel and a flaming sword to guard it. The Bible says, “*therefore the Lord God sent him out of the garden of Eden to till the ground from which he was taken. So He drove out the man; and He placed cherubim at the east of the garden of Eden, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to guard the way to the tree of life*” (Genesis 3:23-24). Thank God for the soul-cleansing blood of the Lamb by which we will be allowed to eat from the tree of life!

We must believe and live under the blood of Jesus. Appropriately the precious blood of Jesus daily and have the victory irrespective of life's challenges and the wiles of the enemy. Let the Word of God be a light to your path.

All Bible quotations are in New King James Version.

A JOY TO SERVE

BY ELIZABETH HEW

This testimony is to encourage the Discipleship Ministry (DM) team and to say thank you! As a Life Group (LG) leader and DM team member, I am a beneficiary of the work that you do, from diligently capturing data every week to preparing DM team members.

The LG at Twin Arkz celebrated its first anniversary in November 2019; it is a multiplied LG. At the first LG meeting in November 2018, half the attendees were visitors. Over the last 12 months, the LG has welcomed 17 visitors, and 12 have stayed on.

These ladies came my way through the DM, were recommended by various church members (Amy, Saw Eng, Sabrina, Lena), were introduced by LG members, and some are from a different LG. They were new believers, new to Calvary, new to LG, or were in all three categories.

By December 2019, five of the new ones have been water-baptised. Three have received the gift of speaking in tongues, and two have witnessed their parent's salvation and the removal of idols from their homes. It is a joy to journey with them on their



Elizabeth Hew (front row, third from left) with her LG

spiritual growth, both as an LG Leader and a DM team member.

It is comforting to know these ladies have found familiar faces they can meet with after service; a family-in-Christ to walk and pray with through difficult seasons, and to rejoice with in thanksgiving. It is true – those who refresh others will themselves be refreshed (Proverbs 11:25). All glory to God!

Find out more about the Discipleship Ministry at the Information Counter after Sunday Worship Service, or call us at 03-8999 5532 ext. 427.

NEW LIFE GROUPS (LG)

YOUTH LIFE GROUP

Taman Impian Indah

Second and fourth
Wednesdays, 8.30pm

TAMIL LIFE GROUP

Taman Puncak Jalil

Second and fourth
Wednesdays, 8.00pm

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call 03-8999 5532 ext. 414., or visit us at calvary.my/life-groups**



Sister Petrina sharing the Word



Presenting a special number

成为常常感恩的人

文: 张维善

教会中文事工于2019年11月17日，星期日，在加略山会议中心举办了一年一度的中文感恩团契。中文诗班为感恩团契拉开序幕，献唱了一首中文福音歌曲。每位成员都带着感恩的心歌唱对神的感谢。中文事工感谢神在这一年里信实的带领；我们在人数和属灵上都经历了成长。一切荣耀都归给全能的神！

王福海牧师欢迎每一位成员的出席，并带领大家作感恩祷告。我们观赏了一段视频，视频讲述神的祝福与他全年在中文事工各领域所成就的事。

副主任牧师 Petrina Gunerathnam 借着神的话语为我们带来强而有力的信息，并见证神在她生命中所成就的事。她分享说，为所有的祝福向神感恩是信徒独特的标记之一。感恩不是一年一次的活动，它理应是我们的日常，使我们的生活经历改变，成为喜乐的人。她还提到我们可以为物质上的祝福，为我们生命中的人，甚至为促使我们信心增长的考验和迫害，一一献上感恩。最重要的是我们都当感谢神在耶稣基督里赐予我们救恩，并继续与我们同在，赐予我们能力。在场的每一位都被她既热情又鼓舞人心的分享所感动，而聚会也在愉快的交流茶叙中结束了。

神在这一年里借着中文事工丰丰富富地祝福了我们。许多人回应呼召，到祭坛前祷告。我们知道神一直眷顾著我们，并将在来年继续引导我们。让我们所有人继续定睛仰望耶稣——我们信心创始成终的主。

BEING THANKFUL ALWAYS

BY WILSON CHEONG

The Chinese Ministry (CM) organised its annual Thanksgiving Fellowship on Sunday, 17 November 2019 at Calvary Convention Centre. The fellowship began with a Chinese gospel song sung by the choir. Each member sang with a grateful heart, thanking God. The ministry is thankful for God's faithfulness and direction in 2019; we have experienced growth, both spiritually and numerically. All glory to God Almighty!

Associate Pastor Peter Ong warmly welcomed all the attendees and led in a prayer of thanksgiving. We watched a short video presentation about God's blessing and what He has done in various areas of the CM throughout the year.



Fellowshipping over a meal

Senior Associate Pastor Sister Petrina Guneratnam brought us a powerful message of God's Word and her testimonies of what God has done in her life. She shared that thanksgiving to God for all our blessings should be one of the most distinctive marks of the believer. Thanksgiving is not a once yearly event, it should be a daily practice, changing our lives and making us joyful people. She mentioned ways we can be thankful to God; for material blessings, for the people in our lives, and even for trials and persecution that help us grow our faith. Most importantly, we all can thank God for our salvation in Jesus Christ, and

His continued presence and power in our lives. Everyone was touched by her warm and encouraging sharing, and the meeting ended with a joyful time of fellowship over refreshments.

Indeed we are truly blessed by what God has done in our lives this year in and through the CM. Many responded to the altar call for prayer. We believe God is always watching over us and will continue to guide us in the coming year. Let us all keep our eyes on Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith.

欢迎大家来参加我们在每个月的最后一个星期天，上午11时30分的中文团契。

Join the Chinese Fellowships on the last Sunday of each month, 11.30am, at Calvary Convention Centre.



Attendees responding joyfully



Pastor David sharing the Word

Kebaktian Kesukuran ini bermula dengan sesi pujian yang bersemangat, diikuti dengan kesaksian yang memuji Tuhan oleh ahli-ahli Pelayanan BM. Mereka juga telah berkongsi tentang bagaimana aktiviti-aktiviti Pelayanan BM telah memberkati mereka.

Pendita David Seah telah menghuraikan dengan indah Mazmur 121 - Tuhan adalah Penolong dan Pelindung kami. Beliau mengalakkan semua yang hadir untuk percaya pada Tuhan untuk setiap bantuan, perlindungan, dan keperluan, dan tidak bergantung pada kekuatan sendiri. Pendita David mengakhiri dengan berkongsi tentang mukjizat yang telah berlaku di Sabah dan Sarawak, dan menekankan yang Tuhan adalah penolong serta pelindung kepada individu, keluarga, masyarakat, dan negara kita.

BERSATU DALAM KESYUKURAN

OLEH KUMPULAN PELAYANAN BAHASA MALAYSIA

Kebaktian Kesukuran Bahasa Malaysia (BM) telah berlangsung pada Ahad, 1 Disember 2019, di Calvary Convention Centre, dan merupakan kebaktian yang diberkati. Ramai telah datang untuk diberkati serta menjadi berkat. Tema kebaktian ini adalah Bersatu dalam Kesukuran, dan jemaat Pelayanan BM telah memainkan peranan aktif dalam memastikan semua orang yang dijemput hadir. Daripada 126 yang hadir, 23 adalah pelawat kali pertama!

Bersambung dari Mukasurat 7

Semasa panggilan mimbar, tujuh orang telah menerima Yesus sebagai Juruselamat. Puji Tuhan! Ini telah diikuti dengan doa korporat bagi Sabah dan Sarawak, dan persembahan suatu lagu berjudul “Terbesar Kasihnya”, mengingatkan semua tentang mandat untuk mengisyiharkan Injil dengan kasih Tuhan.

Penekanan tahun ini tertumpu kepada budaya Sabah dan Sarawak, dan ini telah ditonjolkan dengan hiasan etnik dan makanan Borneo. Selepas kebaktian, masakan seperti hinava, ayam pansuh, pansuh keli, nasi linopot, dan kacang ma telah dinikmati. Penyanyian lagu Krismas dalam BM dan Bahasa Dusun telah menambahkan kemeriahan suasana.

Semua kemuliaan kepada Tuhan kerana menyatakan kami dalam mengucap kesyukuran kepadaNya dalam banyak bahasa. Puji Tuhan!

UNITED IN THANKSGIVING

BY THE BAHASA MALAYSIA MINISTRY TEAM

The Bahasa Malaysia (BM) Thanksgiving Fellowship took place on Sunday, 1 December 2019, and what a blessed service it was, with many who came expectant to be blessed and to be a blessing. As the theme of the service was United in Thanksgiving, the BM Ministry members played an active role in making sure that everyone they invited came. Of the 126 who attended, 23 were first-time visitors!

The Thanksgiving Fellowship started off with a spirited praise and worship session, followed by a heart-warming testimony presentation shared by members of the congregation, thanking God for how the BM ministry and its activities have blessed them.

Associate Pastor David Seah beautifully expounded on Psalm 121 - the Lord is our Helper and Protector, encouraging the congregation to trust God to help, protect, and provide for their every need, instead of relying on their own strength, ability, and understanding.

He ended by sharing the miracles that took place in East Malaysia, and emphasised that God is the helper and protector of individuals, families, communities, and our nation.

During the altar call, seven responded for salvation and rededication. Praise God! This was followed by a corporate prayer for East Malaysia and a song presentation entitled “Terbesar Kasihnya” (God’s Great Love), reminding the church of the mandate to proclaim the Gospel with God’s love.

This year’s emphasis centred on East Malaysian culture, which was highlighted with ethnic decorations and a delicious spread of Borneo food. At the after-service simple lunch, many enjoyed, among others, the cuisines like hinava, ayam pansuh, keli pansuh, nasi linopot, and kacangma. Christmas carollers sang crowd favourites in Bahasa Malaysia and a special Dusun thanksgiving song.

All glory to God for uniting us in giving thanks to Him in many languages. Puji Tuhan!



Singing carols



Fellowshipping over food

Sertailah Pelayanan BM kami setiap suku tahunan di Calvary Convention Centre! Untuk maklumat lanjut, sila hubungi 03-8999 5532 sambungan 414.

Join our BM Fellowships held every quarter at Calvary Convention Centre! For more information, call 03-8999 5532 ext. 414.



Senior Pastor sharing the Word of God



THE TRUE STAR OF CHRISTMAS

BY LISA TOH

Over the weekend of 7-8 December 2019, The Star of Christmas was staged at Calvary Convention Centre. It was a Christmas evangelistic event that saw an attendance of 4,722 over the two days.

This production was a combined effort by the Kids Creative Arts Team and the adult congregation, telling the story of five travelling musicians seeking fame and stardom. They meet the three wise men, and embark on a journey to search for the newborn King, guided by the star. Encountering the infant Jesus was not the end of their story, rather, it became the reason for the travelling band's

continued travels; they travel far and wide to tell the story of the Star they found.

Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam took to the pulpit on both nights, encouraging everyone present to always remember who the real Star is. There is no need to travel far or wide to seek Him, He is ever-present; we only need to seek Him wholeheartedly.

We praise the Lord for the 103 who responded to the altar call, and for the 59 salvations and rededications.

Keen to relive The Star of Christmas all over again? Watch it on our YouTube channel, [@calvaryone](#)



During the altar call

CHRISTMAS EVANGELISTIC MEETING





*The heavenly host appearing to the shepherds,
rejoicing at the birth of Jesus*



Angel Gabriel announcing Christ's birth to the shepherds



The entourage meeting with baby Jesus



DARAH YESUS YANG BERHARGA

OLEH PENDITA KANAN PRINCE GUNERATNAM

Darah adalah bahan yang bermisteri yang hanya Tuhan sahaja boleh menciptanya. Walaupun ia tidak menghasilkan hayat, ia membawa nyawa. Walaupun sains tidak memahami sepenuhnya kerumitan darah, adalah jelas yang tanpa darah, nyawa tidak wujud. Ia tidak mengenal jantina dan ia tidak kira jika darah wanita diberikan kepada seorang lelaki atau darah seorang orang putih diberikan kepada seorang Asia, ia adalah sangat dalam kemampuannya untuk membawakan hayat. Darah tidak menentukan warna kulit kita atau keperibadian kita. Ia hanya membawa nyawa yang datang dari Tuhan.

Darah manusia adalah berkesan dan berkuasa dan memberikan gambaran tentang apa yang darah Yesus boleh lakukan. Jangan cuba untuk memahami darah Yesus Kristus dengan minda semulajadi dan memandang rendah kerja yang berharga dan berkuasa oleh darah Yesus. Darah Yesus Kristus yang berharga harus difahami secara rohani sebagaimana Alkitab menerangkannya.

1. DARAH YESUS YANG BERHARGA TELAH MENDAMAIKAN ORANG BERDOSA BERSAMA DENGAN TUHAN YANG KUDUS

Alkitab mengatakan, "Karena seluruh kepuuhan Tuhan berkenan diam di dalam Dia, dan oleh Dialah ia memperdamaikan segala sesuatu dengan diri-Nya, baik yang ada di bumi, maupun yang ada di sorga, sesudah ia mengadakan pendamaian oleh darah salib Kristus. Juga anda yang dahulu hidup jauh dari Tuhan dan yang memusuhiNya dalam hati dan pikiran seperti yang nyata dari perbuatanmu yang jahat, sekarang diperdamaikan-Nya, di dalam tubuh jasmani Kristus oleh kematian-Nya, untuk menempatkan kamu kudus dan tak bercela dan tak bercacat di hadapan-Nya" (Kolose 1:19-22). Tiada orang selain daripada Tuhan yang boleh mendamaikan kamu kepada Tuhan, dengan demikian Dia perlu menghantar satu-satu anak-Nya, Yesus, untuk mati di atas salib. Darah Yesus memberi anda kemenangan ke atas dosa yang memisahkan anda daripada Tuhan.

2. IA TELAH MEMBERSIKAN KITA DARIPADA DOSA DAN MENJADIKAN KITA RAJA-RAJA DAN IMAM-IMAM KEPADA TUHAN

Yohanes mendedahkan, "... dan dari Yesus Kristus, Saksi yang setia, yang pertama bangkit dari antara orang mati dan yang berkuasa atas raja-raja bumi ini. Bagi Dia, yang mengasihi kita dan yang telah melepaskan kita dari dosa kita oleh darahNya -- dan yang telah membuat kita menjadi suatu kerajaan, menjadi imam-imam bagi Tuhan, Bapa-Nya, -- bagi Dialah kemuliaan dan kuasa sampai selama-lamanya. Amin" (Wahyu 1:5-6). Dia telah menjadikan anda raja. Perintahi kerajaan tubuh anda. Anda boleh memerintah fikiran anda, melindungi imaginasi anda, mengawal mata anda, ucapan, tingkah laku, dan gaya hidup anda.

3. IA TELAH MENEBUS ATAU MEMBELI KITA DARI KUASA IBLIS UNTUK DIMILIKI TUHAN

Alkitab berkata, "Dan mereka menyanyikan suatu nyanyian baru katanya: "Engkau layak menerima gulungan kitab itu dan membuka meterai-meterainya; karena Engkau telah disebelih dan dengan darah-Mu Engkau telah membeli mereka bagi Tuhan dari tiap-tiap suku dan bahasa dan kaum dan bangsa. Dan Engkau telah membuat mereka menjadi suatu kerajaan, dan menjadi imam-imam bagi Tuhan kita, dan mereka akan memerintah sebagai raja di bumi" (Wahyu 5:9-10). Penebusan datang dengan pembayaran tebusan atau harga. Yesus telah membayar harga untuk menebuskan kita! Ketika Tuhan menjadikan kamu imam, Dia telah memberikan kedudukan yang paling berkuasa. Imam adalah orang-orang yang berdiri dalam hadirat Tuhan. Darah Yesus melayakkan anda. Kuasailah kehidupan dan situasi anda.

Kelebihan Darah Yesus yang Berharga

- Ia membawa kita lebih dekat kepada Tuhan. "Tetapi sekarang di dalam Kristus Yesus kamu, yang dahulu "jauh", sudah menjadi "dekat" oleh darah Kristus" (Efesus 2:13) dan "Jadi, saudara-saudara, oleh darah Yesus kita sekarang penuh keberanian dapat masuk ke dalam tempat kudus" (Ibrani 10:19).
- Kita menerima pengampunan untuk dosa kita melaluinya. "Sebab inilah darah-Ku, darah perjanjian, yang ditumpahkan bagi banyak orang untuk pengampunan dosa" (Matius 26:28) dan "Sebab di dalam Dia dan oleh darah-Nya kita beroleh penebusan, yaitu pengampunan dosa, menurut kekayaan kasih karunia-Nya" (Efesus 1:7).

- Ia terus membersihkan kita daripada dosa. Ia adalah satu proses yang berterusan. Yesus meninggal dunia 2000 tahun dahulu, tetapi darah-Nya masih berkuasa hari ini dan hari esok. Hiduplah dalam aliran Calvary itu. Kristus di atas salib menyelamatkan kita daripada dosa. Kristus di atas takhta itu menyelamatkan kita dari kuasa dosa dan kedatangan Kristus yang kedua akan menyelamatkan kita dari hadirat dosa. Darahnya terus mengalir sehingga hari ini, maka apabila Dia datang, kita bersedia untuk menemui-Nya.

Adalah penting untuk mendapatkan pemahaman Firman akan kuasa pembersihan darah Yesus. Pertama, nabi Yesaya berkata, “Marilah, baiklah kita berperkara! --firman Tuhan-- Sekalipun dosamu merah seperti kirmizi, akan menjadi putih seperti salju; sekalipun berwarna merah seperti kain kesumba, akan menjadi putih seperti bulu domba” (Yesaya 1:18). Hebatnya undangan ini! Anda dibersihkan dan dijadikan berani. Anda boleh berdiri dalam hadiratNya. Dia tidak akan melakukan kepada anda sebagaimana apa yang dilakukannya kepada anakNya, Yesus di atas salib.

Kedua, Yohanes mengajar, “Tetapi jika kita hidup di dalam terang sama seperti Dia ada di dalam terang, maka kita beroleh persekituan seorang dengan yang lain, dan darah Yesus, Anak-Nya itu, menyucikan kita dari pada segala dosa. Jika kita berkata, bahwa kita tidak berdosa, maka kita menipu diri kita sendiri dan kebenaran tidak ada di dalam kita. Jika kita mengaku dosa kita, maka ia adalah setia dan adil, sehingga ia akan mengampuni segala dosa kita dan menyucikan kita dari segala kejahatan” (1 Yohanes 1:7-9). Kita dibersihkan dari kesalahan dosa apabila kita berjalan di dalam cahaya seperti mana Dia ada di dalam cahaya.

4. KITA BOLEH DIJADIKAN BENAR DAN DIKUDUSKAN

Paulus bersukacita dengan mengatakan, “Lebih-lebih, karena kita sekarang telah dibenarkan oleh darah-Nya, kita pasti akan diselamatkan dari murka Tuhan. Sebab jika kita, ketika masih seteru, diperdamaikan dengan Tuhan oleh kematian Anak-Nya, lebih-lebih kita, yang sekarang telah diperdamaikan, pasti akan diselamatkan oleh hidup-Nya! Dan bukan hanya itu saja! Kita malah bermegah dalam Tuhan oleh Yesus Kristus, Tuhan kita, sebab oleh Dia kita telah menerima pendamaian itu” (Roma 5:9-11). Dijadikan benar berkaitan dengan dengan kedudukan kita atau posisi kita dalam Kristus sementara pengudusan adalah kondisi atau keadaan kita. Bila

dijadikan benar, kita diampuni dan dibebaskan dari kuasa dosa. Tetapi pengudusan adalah progresif. Setiap kali kita telah berdosa, kita tidak perlu kekal dalam keadaan atau kondisi ini, kita boleh menjadi benar dan menjalani kehidupan yang kudus.

5. KAMI DIKUDUSKAN DAN DIASINGKAN UNTUK TUHAN

Alkitab berkata, “Itu jugalah sebabnya Yesus telah menderita di luar pintu gerbang untuk menguduskan umat-Nya dengan darah-Nya sendiri” (Ibrani 13:12). Untuk “menguduskan umat” adalah untuk mengasingkan mereka untuk Tuhan. Yesus adalah pengudus kita. Beliau telah menjadikan kita kudus. Paulus berkata, “Tetapi oleh Dia kamu berada dalam Kristus Yesus, yang oleh Tuhan telah menjadi hikmat bagi kita. Ia membenarkan dan menguduskan dan menebus kita” (1 Korintus 1:30). Kita dibersihkan oleh darah Yesus dan diasinkan, supaya kita dapat melayani Tuhan dan anggota-anggota badan kita akan menjadi peralatan yang saleh. Anda dikhususkan untuk menjalani kehidupan yang suci. Pada dahulunya anda adalah seorang hamba kepada dosa dan anggota-anggota badan anda adalah peralatan kepada dosa. Tetapi Yesus telah membebaskan anda daripada dosa. Dia adalah Tuhan dalam hidup anda dan anda mempunyai kuasa untuk hidup kehidupan yang saleh.

6. KITA MENGALAHKAN IBLIS DENGAN DARAHNYA

Alkitab mengatakan, “Dan mereka mengalahkan dia oleh darah Anak Domba, dan oleh perkataan kesaksian mereka. Karena mereka tidak mengasihinya walaupun mereka sampai ke dalam maut” (Wahyu 12:11). Dosa dalam hidup anda membenarkan iblis untuk berkuasa. Apabila anda menggunakan darahNya anda mempunyai kemenangan ke atas iblis dan anda mempunyai suatu kesaksian. Apabila iblis dihalau oleh darah Yesus, ini mengesahkan iman anda. Bersaksilah dan kongsikan apa yang Tuhan telah lakukan dalam dan melalui anda.

7. KITA BOLEH MELAYANI TUHAN DENGAN HATI NURANI YANG BERSIH

“Betapa lebihnya darah Kristus, yang oleh Roh yang kekal telah mempersebahkan diriNya sendiri kepada Tuhan sebagai persembahan yang tak bercarat, akan menyucikan hati nurani kita dari perbuatan-perbuatan yang sia-sia, supaya kita dapat beribadah kepada Tuhan yang hidup” (Ibrani 9:14).

Apabila anda dibersihkan dari hati nurani yang mati yang mengganggu anda kerana kesalahan yang telah anda lakukan, anda boleh melayani Tuhan dengan berkesan, menyenangkanNya dengan kuasa Roh Kudus.

8. IA MEMBERI KITA KUASA DAN HAK UNTUK MEMASUKI BANDAR BARU DAN MAKAN DARI POHON KEHIDUPAN

Rasul Yohanes menerangkan apa yang menanti mereka yang dibersihkan oleh darahNya, “Dan seorang dari antara tua-tua itu berkata kepadaku: “Siapakah mereka yang memakai jubah putih itu dan dari manakah mereka datang?” Maka kataku kepadanya: “Tuanku, tuan mengetahuinya.” Lalu ia berkata kepadaku: “Mereka ini adalah orang-orang yang keluar dari kesusahan yang besar; dan mereka telah mencuci jubah mereka dan membuatnya putih di dalam darah Anak Domba” (Wahyu 7:13-14) dan “Berbahagialah mereka yang membasuh jubahnya. Mereka akan memperoleh hak atas pohon-pohon kehidupan dan masuk melalui pintu-pintu gerbang ke dalam kota itu” (Wahyu 22:14). Fahami dan hargai, kita yang telah dibersih dan mempunyai jubah-jubah putih, boleh masuk ke dalam kota syurgawi dan makan dari pohon kehidupan. Ia bukanlah dengan kehadiran kita di gereja, mengetahui Kitab Suci, yang mempunyai pelayanan atau melakukan kerja-kerja yang baik yang akan membawa kita ke syurga. Tetapi adalah kerana disucikan oleh Darah Anak Domba dan taat kepada FirmanNya.

Dalam buku Kejadian, terdapat satu pohon kehidupan. Apabila manusia berdosa dan dihalau keluar dari Taman Eden, Tuhan meletakkan seorang malaikat dan sebilah pedang berapi untuk mengawalnya. Alkitab berkata, “Lalu Tuhan mengusir dia dari taman Eden supaya ia mengusahakan tanah dari mana ia diambil. Ia menghalau manusia itu dan di sebelah timur taman Eden ditempatkan-Nyala beberapa kerub dengan pedang yang bernyalanya dan menyambar-nyambar, untuk menjaga jalan ke pohon kehidupan” (Kejadian 3:23-24). Bersyukurlah kepada Tuhan atas darah Domba yang menyucikan jiwa dan mengizinkan kita makan dari pohon kehidupan!

Kita harus percaya dan hidup di bawah darah Yesus. Peruntukkan darah Yesus yang berharga setiap hari dan milikilah kemenangan dalam cabaran-cabaran hidup dan tipu muslihat musuh. Biarlah Firman Tuhan menjadi terang kepada jalan anda.

Semua petikan Alkitab adalah dari Alkitab Indonesia.

耶稣的宝血

文：古纳南主任牧师



有神才能创造出血液这神奇的物质。血液不制造生命，它承载生命。科学无法完全理解血液的复杂构造，显然没有血液，生命就不存在。血液不分性别和人种，男人可以接受女人的血液，西方人可以捐血给东方人。血液所承载的生命跨越国界。血液不分肤色抑或人格。它单纯承载着来自神的生命。

人类的血液充满能力，并且隐约透露了耶稣宝血的大能。千万不要小觑耶稣宝血的大能。我们理当从圣经属灵的角度认识耶稣基督的宝血。

1. 耶稣的宝血使罪人与圣洁神和好

圣经上说：“因为 神乐意使所有的丰盛都住在爱子里面，并且借着他在十字架上所流的血成就了和平，使万有，无论是地上天上的，都借着他与 神和好了。虽然你们从前也是和 神隔绝，心思上与他为敌，行为邪恶，但现今 神在爱子的肉身上，借着他的死，使你们与 神和好了，为了要把你们这些圣洁、无瑕疵、无可指摘的人，呈献在他面前”(歌罗西书 1:19-22)。除了神以外，没有人可以使我们与神和好。因此，他差派他的独生子耶稣钉死在十字架上，好叫我们透过耶稣的宝血战胜罪恶与神和好。

2. 耶稣的宝血洗净我们的罪，使我们成为君王与神的祭司

约翰说：“又从那信实的见证人、死人中首先复生的、地上众君王的统治者耶稣基督临到你们。他爱我们，用自己的血把我们从我们的罪中释放出来，又使我们成为国度，作他父 神的祭司。愿荣耀权能都归给他，直到永永远远。阿们。”他已使我们成为君王，管理好自己身体，治理自己的意志，保守自己的想象，控制自己的眼目、言语、行为和生活方式。

3. 耶稣的宝血已赎回我们脱离撒旦的权势并归回予神

圣经上说：“他们唱着新歌，说：‘你配取书卷，配拆开封印，因为你曾被杀，曾用你的血，从各支派、各方言、各民族、各邦国，把人买了来归给 神，使他们成为我们 神的国度和祭司，他们要在地上执掌王权’”(启示录 5:9-10)。救赎需要付上赎金。耶稣为我们付上了代价！当他任命你为祭司的同时也给了你最强而有力的权柄。祭司是站在神面前的人。是耶稣的宝血使你配得。管理好你的生活和环境。

耶稣宝血的功效

- 叫我们亲近神。“你们从前远离的人，现今在基督耶稣里，靠着他的血已经可以亲近了”（以弗所书2:13）。和“所以，弟兄们！我们凭着耶稣的血，可以坦然无惧地进入至圣所”（希伯来书10:19）。
- 我们的罪得赦免。“这是我的血，是为立约的，为许多人流出来，使罪得赦”（马太福音26:28）。和“我们在他爱子里，借着他的血蒙了救赎，过犯得到赦免，都是按着他丰盛的恩典”（以弗所书1:7）。
- 耶稣的宝血继续洗净我们的罪。这是一个持续的过程。耶稣在两千年前就已经死了，可是他宝血的能力仍然强大。我们就像活在各各他的溪流中。基督钉死在十字架上将我们从罪恶中救出来。宝座上的基督拯救我们脱离罪恶的辖制，基督的第二次降临将拯救我们脱离罪恶。今天他的血继续流淌着，好叫他再来的时候，我们可以准备好见他的面。

理解圣经上关于耶稣宝血洁净的能力是很重要的。首先，以赛亚先知说：“你们来，我们彼此辩论；耶和华说：‘你们的罪虽像朱红，必变成雪白；虽红如丹颜，必白如羊毛’”（以赛亚书1:18）。这是何等的荣幸啊！你蒙洁净，变得刚强。你还得以见他的面。他不会击打你，像在十字架上击打他儿子一样。

接着，约翰教导我们说：“我们若行在光中，像他在光中一样，就彼此心灵相通，他儿子耶稣的血也洁净我们脱离一切罪。我们若说自己没有罪，就是自欺，真理就不在我们里面了。我们若承认自己的罪，神是信实的、公义的，必定赦免我们的罪，洁净我们脱离一切不义”（约翰一书1:7-9）。当我们在光明中行走时，正如神在光明中，我们的罪疚就被洗净了。

4. 我们因耶稣的宝血称义，成为圣洁

保罗欢喜地说：“所以，我们现在既然因他的血称义，就更要借着他免受神的忿怒。我们作仇敌的时候，尚且借着神儿子的死与他复合，既然复合了，就更要因他的生得救了！不但这样，我们现在已经借着我们的主耶稣基督与神复合，也借着他以神为荣”（罗马书5:9-11）。称义是关乎我们在基督里的地位，成为圣洁是我们的个人状态。称义表示我们蒙赦免并脱离了罪的辖制。成为圣洁则是一个渐进的过程。我们有罪，可是我们不必处在这个有罪的状态中，我们可以因他称义并过圣洁的生活。

5. 我们得以成为圣洁，为神的缘故分别为圣

圣经上说：“所以耶稣也是这样在城门外受苦，为的是要借着自己的血使人民成圣”（希伯来书13:12）。使人民成圣，是为让他们分别为圣献给神。耶稣是那一位使我成为圣洁的神。保罗说：“你们因着神得以在基督耶稣里，他使

基督成了我们的智慧；就是公义、圣洁和救赎”（哥林多前书1:30）。我们被耶稣的宝血洗净，分别为圣，过着圣洁的生活，身体成为公义的器皿。曾经，我们是罪的奴隶，身体是罪的器皿。是耶稣使我们脱离罪恶的辖制。他是我们生命的主，叫我们可以过圣洁公义的生活。

6. 我们借着他的宝血战胜魔鬼

圣经上说：“弟兄胜过它，是因着羔羊的血，也因着自己所见证的道，他们虽然至死，也不爱惜自己的性命”（启示录12:11）。我们生命中的罪使魔鬼可以在里面立足。当我们宣告耶稣宝血的力量，我们就能胜过魔鬼，为神作见证。当耶稣的宝血击败撒旦时，它同时也坚固我们的信仰。见证分享神在你生命中的作为。

7. 我们的良心被洁净，可以事奉神

“何况基督的血呢？他借着永远的灵，把自己无瑕无疵的献给神，他的血不是更能洁净我们的良心脱离死行，使我们可以事奉永活的神吗？”（希伯来书9:14）。你的良知被洁净，你不用再为过犯而感到羞愧，你可以靠着圣灵全心有效地事奉神。

8. 耶稣的宝血给予我们能力和权利进入圣城新耶路撒冷，吃生命树上的果子

使徒约翰描述已被洁净的人在他前方等候着他的是什么——“长老中有一位问我：“这些身穿白袍的是谁？他们是从哪里来的呢？”我对他说：“我主啊，你是知道的。”他告诉我：“这些人是从大患难中出来的。他们用羔羊的血，把自己的衣袍洗洁白了”（启示录7:13-14）。还有，“那些洗净自己袍子的人是有福的！他们可以有权到生命树那里，也可以从门进到城里”（启示录22:14）。我们要知道并感恩，我们可以进入天上的圣城，吃生命树的果子，是因为我们已被洗净。我们可以以上天堂，不是因为我们去教会，了解圣经，参与服事，或是做了什么好事，虽然这些都是我们应当做的。我们得救，是被羔羊的宝血洗净，并顺服神的话。

创世纪记载有一棵生命树。当人类犯罪被赶出伊甸园时，上帝差派了手握火焰的剑的天使守护它。圣经上说：“耶和华神就把他赶出伊甸园，去耕种他自己也是从那里出来的地土。于是把亚当驱逐出去，又派基路伯在伊甸园的东边，拿着旋转发火焰的剑，把守到生命树去的路”（创世记3:23-24）。感谢神，靠着羔羊的宝血，我们的灵魂被洁净，可以吃生命树上的果子。

我们要相信并活在耶稣宝血里面。让我们每天靠着耶稣的宝血，战胜生活的挑战和敌人的诡计。让神的话成为你路上的光，引导你前方。

圣经经文摘自新译本圣经。



The Discovery Rangers and their leaders

TAKING TIME TO GIVE THANKS

BY SAMUEL SOONG

On Sunday, 24 November 2019, the Royal Rangers held their annual thanksgiving celebration. This year, it was done a little differently, where each age group (outpost) organised their own celebrations to allow for a more intimate time of thanksgiving involving the immediate leaders and Rangers. Such celebration sessions allowed more leaders and Rangers to express themselves during the event.

Council Chairman David Peter sharing devotion with the Ranger Kids



The Adventure Rangers presenting a song



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Each outpost had different ways of running their respective celebrations, but they all started with devotion, praise and worship, and of course, following the Ranger's tradition, ending with food. The Ranger Kids (aged 6-8) shared their testimony about their year in Rangers, the Discovery Rangers (aged 9-11) had a session of both the leaders and Rangers doing the same, with thank you notes written and pasted on boards expressing appreciation.

The Adventure Rangers (aged 12-14) had the opportunity to express their creativity through skits with their friends, and the Expedition Rangers (aged 15-17) made pizzas together.

It was a nice day, with fun, laughter, and thanksgiving.

Royal Rangers is for boys and girls 6-17 years old. Join us on Sundays, 11.30am at Calvary Convention Centre. For more information, call 03-8999 5532 ext. 408.



The Expedition Ranger girls with their creations



Writing down a note of appreciation



Enjoying themselves





The STARS Club



The Rainbows with their thanksgiving tree

MISSIONETTES THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION

BY ABIGAIL GOMEZ

On Sunday, 24 November 2019, the Missionettes girls and boys celebrated Thanksgiving at Calvary Convention Centre, giving thanks for what has happened in their lives this year, as well as commemorating the end of the final term.

Each of the six clubs threw a class party, complete with a joyous praise and worship session, exciting games, and delicious food brought by both the kids and parents. Besides fun, meaningful devotions were shared with the younger kids learning about gratitude through Bible stories, and the older girls had a great time of listening to and sharing testimonies of God's faithfulness.

Highlights of the occasion included the Rainbows Club (ages 3-4) 'Thanksgiving Tree', where the kids hung up leaves to denote the things they were grateful to God for. Meanwhile, the Daisies Club (aged 5) had great fun at the playground, and the Prims Club (ages 6-7) had a whale of a time playing Musical Chairs. The older girls had their share of fun as well, with the Stars Club (ages 8-10) having a picnic at the Quiet Garden, and the Friends (ages 11-13) and Girls Only (ages 14-17) Clubs having a treasure hunt. All in all, it was a fun and meaningful Thanksgiving, and we can't wait to see one another again in the coming year!

Missionettes is for girls from 3-17, and boys from 3-5 years. Join us on Sundays, 11.30am at Calvary Convention Centre. For more information, call 03-8999 5532 ext. 416.



The Girls Only framing their time of thanksgiving



Some of the Daisies enjoying themselves at the playground



One for the album - Friends Club girls with their Sponsors



The Prims enjoying dessert



OVERCOMING THE ODDS

BY THE 3SIXTEEN WORKING TEAM

What an appropriate title for a testimony from a very lovely Calvarite, Nancy Cheah. This year's Christmas Home Celebration (CHC) was very different for her. Not only was 3Sixteen introduced for the first time, she realised she now has this evangelistic and discipleship programme that sharing of the Gospel has become more purposeful for her. She said "I believe I was prompted by the Holy Spirit to do something different this year", and so decided to have two Christmas Home Celebrations; one for her regular Life Group (LG) members and guests, and the other to a group of people with whom she has made acquaintance with through the years at the market. These are fishmongers, poultry sellers, and pastry sellers. She was surprised the Holy Spirit took her in this direction.

It became obvious very quickly that this was out of her element. This tugging at the heart left her uncomfortable and she had no peace of mind. As she mulled over this, the prompting became stronger and eventually the Lord reminded her that He befriended tax collectors, showed

mercy and compassion to the prostitute, saw to the needs of the destitute, and approached the sick with care and love. She understood Jesus did not come to make bad people good, but to make dead people alive.

This revelation was all the confirmation she needed. She humbled herself, mustered her courage, and confidence soon drowned all doubts. With support and prayer from the 3Sixteen Team led by Peggy Low and the LG Ministry, the invitations went out and on Sunday, 2 December 2019, to her delight, three families consisting of 14 family members from the market came to her house for the CHC.

Christmas carols were sung heartily and a salvation testimony was shared excitedly alongside the Gospel, helping the guests know the reason for Christmas and who Jesus is.

When the call was made to receive Jesus as their personal Saviour, to the joy of all present, all 14 family member, stood, raised their hands, and followed in prayer to receive Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord. They felt good, happy, and looked forward to joining the church and the LG 3Sixteen sessions.

There is always someone waiting on the other end of our obedience. All it took was simple obedience on the part of Nancy. And God did what He does best, and that is to save. Save He did, and all 14 precious souls in one celebration. All of heaven rejoices!

WATER BAPTISM

Congratulations to ten Calvarites who followed Christ in water baptism on 23 November 2019 at the Saturday Worship Service at Calvary Damansara Heights. The Lord bless your obedience in your journey with Him.

Front row (L-R): Mei Lan, Jasper Lee Zee Mo
Middle row (L-R): Andrew Sin Cheok Kum, Chong Yuet Mei, Preethi V. Jayakumar, Charis Tan Zin Pei
Back row (L-R): Louis Ng Woon Yang, Vincent Tee Leong Chong, Dawlyn Chow Yan Wei, Mei Lim Wei Lan



If you would like to take the step of obedience to the Lord and be water baptised, call 03-8999 5532 ext. 434, visit calvary.my/water-baptism, or speak to any of the pastors.

COVER PAGE CALVARY CHURCH PASTORS AND STAFF



Front row (L-R): Cheong Pui Ling, Associate Pastor Raymond Yong, Associate Pastor Christopher Lee, Associate Pastor Peter Ong, Associate Pastor Steven Kum, Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam, Senior Associate Pastor Petrina Guneratnam, Jim Guneratnam, Associate Pastor Richard Yun, Associate Pastor David Seah, Associate Pastor Chan Lee Peng, Pastor Susan Tan

Middle row (L-R): Rita Ho, Yip Wai Leng, Audrey Lim, Lee Li Jean, Ho Swee Mei, Chin Yoke Yee, Nicole Ong, Lee Foong Ling, Angela Aw, Yee Yuet Hoh, Jenny Selvisthian, Lisa Toh, Michael Loon, Joshua Indran, William Hor, Pastor Phang Wai Marudu, David Ngeow

Back row (L-R): Eleazar Tan, Maniarasan, Robert Ang, Simon Yap, Jerry Loon, David Gan, Katherine Lee, Lucy Puan, Woong Suh Shian, Yong Peck Chin, Tan Choon King, Wendy Foo

WORSHIP SCHEDULE JANUARY 2020

Saturday, 5.00pm Calvary Damansara Heights

- 04** Associate Pastor Steven Kum
- 11** Chadwick Mohan
Missions Emphasis
- 18** Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam
Water Baptism
- 25** Associate Pastor Raymond Yong

Sunday, 9.00am Calvary Convention Centre

- 05** Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam
Communion
- 12** Chadwick Mohan
Missions Emphasis
- 19** Associate Pastor Steven Kum
- 26** Associate Pastor Peter Ong

ACTIVITIES

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CALVARY KIDS

CLASS PROMOTION

Sunday, 9.00am
Calvary Convention Centre

We thank God for the privilege to partner with wonderful parents and guardians to develop your precious little ones spiritually! We will be having our year 2020 class promotion, promoting all kids to an older age class as they grow. Parents and guardians, please bring your children to Calvary Nursery Care (CNC) and Carpenter's Workshop (CW) to register as usual.

MISSIONS EMPHASIS

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MISSIONS PRAYER

Friday, 7.30pm
Calvary Damansara Heights
Speaker: Chadwick Mohan

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YOUTH MISSIONS

Saturday, 1.00pm
Calvary Damansara Heights
Speaker: Chadwick Mohan

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FAITH PROMISE

Saturday, 5.00pm
Calvary Damansara Heights
Speaker: Chadwick Mohan

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FAITH PROMISE

Sunday, 9.00am
Calvary Convention Centre
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WATER BAPTISM

Saturday, 5.00pm
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*Closing date for submission of application:
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