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Just Another Sunday?



I wonder how many of us actually give thought to Palm Sunday.

Easter, sure, everyone knows! I remember when I was a boy, I looked forward to receiving a red egg given by the Bentong Methodist Church.

Good Friday, sure, everyone knows, because there is a Good Friday Service in church. There's always a somber mood with some people dressed in black. And who can forget the dramatic tearing of the curtain during elder Yee Dian's Good Friday sermon a few years ago?

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# But Palm Sunday?

When Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey that day, his disciples gave him a rousing welcome, shouting, "Hosanna" (John 12:13) which means "save us". Waving palm branches with their hands and spreading their cloaks before him, they fully expected Jesus to come and free them from the Roman oppressors and reign as their king. Having seen the miracles Jesus had performed, who could blame them for looking forward to the start of a glorious time.

After all, this was prophesied in Zechariah 9:

9 Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion!
Shout, Daughter Jerusalem!
See, your king comes to you,
righteous and victorious,
lowly and riding on a donkey, on a colt,
the foal of a donkey.

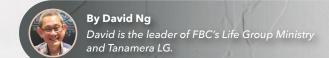
10 I will take away the chariots from Ephraim
and the warhorses from Jerusalem,
and the battle bow will be broken.
He will proclaim peace to the nations.
His rule will extend from sea to sea
and from the River to the ends of the earth.

But Jesus knew he had come to Jerusalem to die. And, before a horrible death on the cross, he also knew he had to suffer terrible beatings, shame, and rejection by the very people he came to save. Being fully human, Jesus knew the pain he would have to endure. And perhaps even more painful to him was to see the grief of his mother. The women who truly loved Jesus also suffered when they saw him battered and broken, hanging on the cross.

As God, Jesus could have called down fire from heaven to vanquish his enemies and become king, averting all the pain. But he also knew that would not reconcile man to God. And that was why he went to the cross. He did it for you and me.

In our busyness with life, we oftentimes take our Lord Jesus for granted, forgetting that being fully human, Jesus could have struggled emotionally for a whole week. Perhaps that was why Jesus prayed for the cup of suffering to be taken away from him if God was willing.

Let us pause this Palm Sunday and reflect on Jesus' tremendous sacrifice that was necessary to reconcile us to the Father and, "in view of God's mercy, to offer {our} bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is {our} true and proper worship." (Romans 12:1)









During Good Friday and Easter Sunday, we not only remember the cost of sin; we also remember the victory of light over darkness, the victory of life over death! For Good Friday and Easter Sunday services, please prepare a candle for each person in your household to hold as we participate in worship together.

# Life Group Splash:

# Featuring Oasis SS19



# What is the story behind Oasis SS19?

Oasis SS19 was formed on 3 September 2010 in the home of Victor and Belinda. A handful of us who met in SS19 had a vision of a place where believers could find spiritual nourishment in the desert of life. Hence the name 'Oasis', which is in line with what Jesus said in John 4:14.

Today, we are a dynamic group of 35 adults in our 40s to 70s who meet via Zoom every Friday at 8:30pm. Prior to MCO, we met in the Transit Lounge in FBC.

## Describe Oasis SS19 in 3 words.

Committed. Caring. Family.

# What does Life Group mean to Oasis SS19?

Each member feels that they are part of the family in Oasis and in Christ.

# What do Oasis SS19 members enjoy the most about Life Group?

We get to study God's Word together with a great Rabbi.

# How has being part of an LG made a difference for Oasis SS19 members?

It is a place where we belong as a family. We even have a few members who join us from overseas thanks to the internet!

# What is unique to Oasis SS19?

- As an LG, we sponsor a Filipino kid under the Kapatid Child Sponsoring Program.
- We celebrate Christmas and Chinese New Year together every year, and invite our non-Christian friends and relatives to join.
- We celebrate members' birthdays together.
- We love to travel locally and overseas!

Join A Life Group Today



# FBC NEEDS YOU

# **Are You Wondering How** You Can Serve God In Church? **Find Your Opportunity Here:**



# 2. AV Team

We are looking for sound engineers. You will be involved in mixing audio for recorded content to help make Sunday services happen!



# 3. Sunday School

We are looking for teachers. (Men, especially!) You will be involved in facilitating Sunday School classes and building relationships with the children of FBC.



be involved in facilitating lively and enriching discussion sessions about Christian living. (Questions will be provided.)



**CLICK** to register or call the church office to sign up today!

# | Pulpit Program

March 28, 2021

# **Palm Sunday**

(Matthew 21:1-9, Luke 19:37-44)



**PREACHER** David & Suzanne Adams

April 2, 2021 (Good Friday)

# **Christ Crucified:** The Cross of the Crimson Tide



**PREACHER** Lee Yee Dian

April 4, 2021 (Easter Sunday)

# **Resurrection Power**

(1 Corinthians 15)

PREACHER Arnold Lim

April 11, 2021

# **Dealing with Anger**

(Matthew 5:21-26)



**PREACHER** Pastor Leon Lim

# | Worship with Us





Sundays 9:00am

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- 1. Pray for God's protection from the world and the evil one who hates and seeks to destroy God's people. Pray that we will be kept holy and loyal to the gospel of truth and grace.
- 2. Pray for oneness in the body of Christ, just as Jesus and the Father are one. Pray that we will live in unity, indwelt by the Spirit with Christ as our head. Pray that this unity will enable the world to see gospel truth.

- 3. Pray to be filled with the full measure of His joy, which comes from trusting and obeying Him. Pray for God to enable us to look beyond present pain to lasting triumph.
- 4. Pray that we will be sanctified by the truth, submitting to God's word for rebuke, correction and training in righteousness, that we will be equipped for every good work.
- 5. Pray to be transformed into His likeness with ever-increasing glory. Pray that we will be sustained by the love of the Father and by the presence of Jesus in our midst, with the ultimate goal of being with Jesus to see His glory.

# | Upcoming Events



**Good Friday Service** 

2 April (Friday) 8:45pm

Zoom ID ·

997 9121 6144

Password: **fbc** 



What is the Gospel? With Dr. Kyle Essary

11 April (Sunday) 2:00pm to 3:30pm

Zoom ID:

953 4151 3914

Password: FBCMission



Is There More to Life **Than This?** 

**Every Wednesday** 8:00pm to 9:30pm

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**Insights For The Persevering Disciple Study on The Book** of Revelation

Gamma 16 has ended View past lessons here:

Link: https://fbc.com.my/gamma Password: fbcgamma



**Daily Prayer** Meeting **Every Saturday** to Thursday 9:00pm

Zoom ID: 929 735 694 Password: pray

More Information on Upcoming Events