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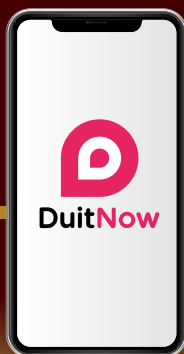
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Our youths are known as Salt of Subang or SOS Youth, some of them have made an artistic impression based on the sermons. Here are some of their art pieces.



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What is the character of great faith?

Matthew 15:21-28 records Jesus' uncharacteristic response (Jesus being unlike Jesus) to the Canaanite woman, but this was done to refine and draw out the woman's faith.

Through the woman's faith, we learnt that the character of great faith is (1) recognizing who Jesus really is & (2) who we really are.

In the times of troubles and difficulties, remember that we can approach God even in our brokenness and seek him for restoration which Jesus provided at the Cross.



Have you ever wanted to accomplish something big before?

We all want to be known for something – whether be it a career or a hobby we'd like to share with others to receive recognition. Similarly, Jesus also wanted to receive recognition from us.

When Jesus was walking on water, all the disciples at first glance were not able to tell that the man was Jesus. And even Peter, who thought he was bold, was hesitant. And as he was crossing the waters, he got distracted by the wind, and sank. Just like Peter, we can focus too much on our personal reasons for doubting God. Peter's personal reason was because of his fisherman's instinct, to retreat when the wind got strong. When we place too much focus on our doubts, we lose balance, just like Peter did.

Is our faith in God based off the crowd, or is it based off our hearts? God invites us to have a personal relationship with Him so that we can see Him for who He is through our own two eyes.



Jesus' resurrection is the only sign we need to know that He has authority over everything.

What is the character of great faith?

Time and time again the Bible shows that earthly kings have failed, but God does not! We get to see that God has a redemption plan for humanity, to redeem us from sin. And this involves a king because we need a role model.

We may be feeling doubtful and troubled, and that's normal! God knows that too. When we are troubled, God will comfort us. When we are doubtful, God will equip us. And when we faithfully submit to Him, God will bless us.

Therefore, let us find comfort in knowing that the Creator of the universe cares for us, and will equip us in whatever He calls us to do :D



How often do you remember that God is always by your side?

John the Baptist had the confidence to continue preaching God's word and about repentance in face of opposition by King Herod himself! That's because he trusted in God's sovereignty, that God's word is perfect and not tainted by our sinfulness.

Like John, God is also always with us in face of troubles and opposition. We may not realize it, but He is sovereign over us and our sufferings, and through the Spirit of God He assures us of His love for us. We can stand firm in faith and have courage because of His word, His people, and His spirit. In knowing that the very God who created the universe, who created you and I, loves us, do we have any reason to be afraid?



"God" – we have different views and opinions on how we view God.

Some may view Him as one who is perfect and, hence, we must chase after perfection. Some may view Him as one who is strict and, hence, we must follow the Laws strictly.

How we approach God is very much based on our views. For example, if we view Him as a perfect God we might only approach Him when we are "perfect".

How about rest? When we see God, can we see rest? God doesn't oppress His people with more stuff to do and guidelines to follow in order to be with Him. He is with us through the blood of Christ.

The art displays children going to God with full happiness and reassurance. We too can approach God with full assurance and happiness because we can delight in the rest which is found in Him.

Let's talk about the stubbornness and ignorance.

We meet someone stubborn or have been stubborn at least once. It can be frustrating to talk to someone stubborn because every word somehow bounces back. In other words, we are "talking to a wall".

Well, God spoke and speaks to an entire generation of stubborn people. However, the fascinating fact is how only God can turn our ignorant, hardened heart to Him to listen to His Word.

Well what is your heart condition? Is it divided, hardened, weakened or awakened?

If you are reading till here, why hello! If you are feeling worried or uncertain about an unawakened heart, you could always pray to Him about your yearning for an awakened heart. After prayer, contact one of the youth leaders or pastor for guidance in this walk because YOU ARE NOT ALONE in this struggle.



Gather or Scatter // Matthew 12:15–32

This was what Jesus, God's chosen servant, did which was revealed in Matthew 12.

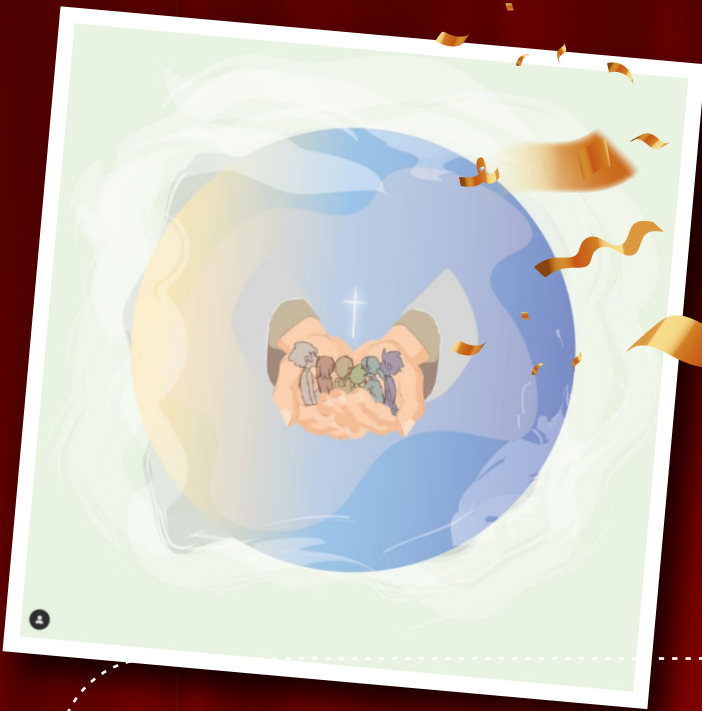
- Jesus brought hope and healing
- Jesus heralds the Spirit and the Kingdom
- Jesus offers forgiveness and reconciliation

We respond to this by gathering as one church and worship God with fellowship, songs of praises and word ministry because we gather to lift His Name higher than we ever can individually.

Weeds grow fast and they can take away the wheats' necessary nutrients. A stalk of wheat surrounded by weeds is at a dangerous spot of dying of malnutrition.

Well, Jesus used a similar parable to explain about the people of the evil one and believers. Be cautious. Their presence in our lives may seem harmless and normal like weeds. But these are the people that can overshadow God.

Therefore, we forget to ask ourselves, believers of Christ, this important question – as the day is closer, how have we been preparing ourselves upon The Day?



Imagine owning a vast field with various kinds of wheats !!!

The young and old; the long and short; the different species and sizes. BUT, weeds began to grow because someone came and planted them.

You can check out more of the artwork on their Instagram:
<https://www.instagram.com/saltofsubangyouth/>



PrayerSpotlight

Prayer

Eternal God
the light of the minds that know you,
the joy of hearts that love you,
and the strength of the will that serve you:
grant us so to know you that we may truly love you,
so to love you that we may truly serve you,
whose service is perfect freedom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

(Augustine of Hippo)

