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We are a people of destiny as born again believers confessing Jesus Christ as our Saviour and Lord. The prophetic word given by Dick Eastman was that, Calvary Church is a fountainhead church. A fountain is created and has a source of supply. Jesus said, "I will build my church, and all the powers of hell will not conquer it" (Matthew 16:18 NLT) and the source of supply that Calvary Church is experiencing is also what Jesus said, "And now I will send the Holy Spirit, just as my Father promised. But stay here in the city until the Holy Spirit comes and fills you with power from heaven" (Luke 24:49 NLT). The anointing of the Holy Spirit comes with an assignment. The anointing gives us the power and the authority to fulfill the assignment. The Bible says, "Not by might nor by power but by My Spirit" (Zechariah 4:6).

Let us learn from Jesus about His anointing and assignment.

Jesus was anointed and given an assignment. The Bible says, "The Spirit of the LORD is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the broken hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed" (Luke 4:18). His assignment continues till today, through the church, the Body of Christ. The Bible says, "Jesus came and told his disciples, 'I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach

these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age'" (Matthew 28:18-20 NLT). We are to obey the Great Commission, the Lord's assignment to His church, and that is why God has anointed us.

Jesus fulfilled His assignment. The Bible says, "Jesus spoke these words, lifted up His eyes to heaven, and said: 'Father, the hour has come. Glorify Your Son, that Your Son also may glorify You, as You have given Him authority over all flesh, that He should give eternal life to as many as You have given Him. And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent. I have glorified You on the earth. I have finished the work which You have given Me to do. And now, O Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was'" (John 17:1-5). Jesus was praying to His Father. This is the Lord's Prayer and not the model prayer which Jesus taught His disciples (Matthew 6: 9-13). In the model prayer, He taught His disciples to pray, "Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors" (Matthew 6:12). This was obviously not for Him, as He is without sin.

Jesus prayed to His Father, "I have glorified You on the earth. I have finished the work which You have given Me to do" (John 17:4). What did Jesus mean when He said, "I have finished the work which you have given me to do," when He had not gone to the cross yet? Jesus was expressing

His total commitment and dedication to finish His assignment. He wanted His Father to know that as far as the crucifixion was concerned, it was a done deal, He was committed to fulfill. Let us as individuals and as a Church, follow the example of Jesus. Nothing glorifies the Father more than finishing what He has assigned us to do. He becomes your partner when you are committed and determined to accomplishing His will. We must do what we can and He will perform the miraculous. The miracles will cause people to glorify the Father.

The Bible says, "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven" (Matthew 5:16). We are to let our light shine on earth and not when we get to heaven. Doing good works can be challenging. That is why we have to ask God to anoint us so that our good works or acts of faith on earth will glorify Him.

We must seek to be filled with the Holy Spirit to fulfill our assignments as the Body of Christ, the church and as individuals to do the will of God. The Bible says, "Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to My Father. And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son" (John 14:12-13). Ask, so you can receive. This is akin to having a blank cheque. If you are living and serving to glorify His name, the Holy Spirit is God's promise to you. When your mind

is made up, determined to touch the community for His glory, you can be His anointed witness.

To understand the anointing, let us look at Psalm 133.

"Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity! It is like the precious oil upon the head, running down on the beard, the beard of Aaron, running down on the edge of his garments. It is like the dew of Hermon, descending upon the mountains of Zion; for there the LORD commanded the blessing- Life forevermore" (Psalm 133).

First, the anointing is like the oil that was poured upon the head of Aaron, the high priest.

The anointing is poured on the head because you need a change in your mind set. God's vision or will must be done, God's way. The anointing enables you to walk by faith and truth and not by sight and by facts!

Some examples to show the difference between facts and the truth.

1. The victory over Jericho.

The fact is, walls do not fall down by walking around them. The truth is, God said so. The Bible says, "Now Jericho was securely shut up because of the children of Israel; none went out, and none came in. And the LORD said to Joshua: 'See! I have given Jericho into your hand, its king, and the mighty men of valor. You shall march around the city, all you men of war; you shall go all around the city once. This you shall do six days. And seven priests shall bear seven trumpets of rams' horns before the ark. But the seventh day you shall march around the city seven times, and the priests shall blow the trumpets. It shall come to pass, when they make a long blast with the ram's horn, and when you hear the sound of the trumpet, that all the people shall shout with a great shout; then the wall of the

city will fall down flat. And the people shall go up every man straight before him" (Joshua 6:1-5). The problem is many are caught up with the facts and forget the truth. Therefore, fail to obey the truth and live in victory over sin and to declare the glory of God! Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth and the life" (John 14:6). The Bible says, "Who among you fears the LORD and obeys his servant? If you are walking in darkness, without a ray of light, trust in the LORD and rely on your God" (Isaiah 50:10 NLT).

2. David facing Goliath.

The fact is what Saul said to David, "... You are not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him; for you are a youth, and he a man of war from his youth" (1 Samuel 17:33). It is a fact that David, a mere youth was no match against Goliath, an experienced man of war. The truth is what David said, "'The LORD, who delivered me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, He will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine.' And Saul said to David, 'Go, and the LORD be with you!' (1 Samuel 17:37). The anointing gives you the power and authority far beyond the human reasoning so you can fulfill what God has called you to do.

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3. Other examples:

When the facts are impossible, namely the feeding of the 5,000 with 5 loaves and 2 fishes and the turning of water into wine. The truth is what Jesus said, "With men this is impossible, but with God all things are possible" (Matthew 19:26). Jesus is the "the Way, the Truth and the Life" (John 14:6).

Man is a trichotomy. He is spirit, soul and body.

- The spirit relates to the truth.
- The flesh or carnal mind relates to the facts, what can be understood and by reason.
- The soul makes the decision.

When you accept Christ as your Lord and Saviour, your soul is redeemed and your spirit is made alive. You are spiritually alive to make the right decision and prosper. The Bible says, "Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers" (3 John 2). The challenge is will you listen to the flesh or spirit that is made alive through Christ?

Some examples of responding in the flesh or spirit:

- I am broke, but the truth is, "But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you" (Matthew 6:33).

- I am weak, but the truth is, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness" (2 Corinthians 12:9).

- I am weary and tired, but the truth is "But those who wait on the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint" (Isaiah 40:31).

Secondly, the anointing is described as flowing from Aaron's head to the edge of the garment and also as like the dew on Mt Hermon.

Mt Hermon is about 4,000 feet

above sea level. When you look at the map, the tip of Mt Hermon has snow on it. When it melts, the water flows into the Sea of Galilee to Jordan and into the Dead Sea which is 1,300 feet below sea level. Note the huge distance the water goes down! This speaks of the powerful truth that the anointing of God can still come to you, even when you are at a dead end! It is said that you cannot drown in the Dead Sea because of its heavy salt content. No matter where you are, even when you are at rock bottom, and wondering if you can make it, the anointing empowers you to victory.

With the accumulation of the anointing oil at the hem of the garment, there is where the anointing is strongest. When we are at our weakest, whatever the situation may be, God's provision, power and authority are strongest! When you are down to nothing, God is up to something! Remember the woman with the issue of blood? She was almost crawling as she was weak and ready to die, but she thought, "If only I may touch the hem of His garment, I shall be made well" (Matthew 9:21). She touched the hem of His garment and was healed!

Lean not on your own intelligence, inclinations and persuasions. Glorify Him through fulfilling your God-given destiny. Be anointed witnesses. With God all things are possible.

All Scriptures are from the New King James Version unless otherwise indicated.

CALVARY PRAYER TOWER



God has given our Senior Pastor with a vision and burden to be a praying church. And we have been truly blessed with a Prayer Tower at Calvary Convention Centre. Each of us can benefit from this prayer facility to build up our corporate and personal prayer life.

Matthew 18:19-20 – *“Again I say to you that if two of you agree on earth concerning anything that they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them.”*

Join the Church's corporate prayer time every Wednesday at 7.00am for Morning Watch and every Friday at 7.30pm for Prayer Meeting.

Matthew 6:6 – *“But you, when you pray, go into your room, and when you have shut your door, pray to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly.”*

Spend personal time with God in the six closets available at the Prayer Tower.



An Answer To Prayer

A brother had a concern for his wife's spiritual life ever since he got involved with the Prayer Tower ministry 6 years ago. He started to pray specifically for his wife to grow in her prayer life. So he wrote actual prayers on small pieces of paper and pinned it on his home's 'pin up board'. He wrote out prayers for himself on how he prayed for his wife. And he also wrote out prayers which he thought would help his wife to pray for him.

But his wife was upset with him and asked him to keep his spirituality and his prayers to himself, and that she was not interested. His wife then kept and hid that notice board. However, it did not discourage him. He persevered in prayer for his wife. And recently, after three years, he found that same notice board in the store room and his written prayers intact.

Today his wife comes out for Wednesday Morning Watch with him, attends Friday Prayer Meeting and joins the Evangelism Team every Saturday. He is so full of thanks to God!

The Prayer Tower is open daily from 5.00am to 10.00pm, except during Sunday Worship Service, Wednesday Morning Watch, and Friday Prayer Meeting.

Any prayer needs?

Call Prayer Tower at 03-8999 1642/3842 during office hours and we will pray for you; or text your request at 016-2201057.

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LET'S BOWL

By Melissa Liz Samuel



On 30 July 2016, the new term of CYA started with a gathering of young adults in alley ways, trying to knock down as many pins as possible in teams of 4. The bowling event began at 10.30am at U-Bowl, 1 Utama. Pastor Tabitha Ong opened with a short word of encouragement from Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 about being connected together in the body of Christ and a word of prayer in which the time of fellowship was offered to God, prayer for safety in a time of enjoyment and for the Holy Spirit to move among the group as they grew to know each other more.

It was an event that was filled with laughter, sharing in each other's successes and failures in bowling as well as successes and failures in life. Upon the completion of 2 sets of games, the group adjourned for lunch at O Banh Mi where the fellowship continued.

In a gathering that was less formal, the young adults forged and strengthened relationships, learning to encourage each other and have fun. It was a safe space knowing that fumbles and mistakes can be made while still receiving the support of their teammates. It was also an event reflecting greatly of life, no matter your ups or downs, there is still family within Calvary Church to uphold you.





Participants listening attentively



Prof Gregory Slayton sharing on anger management

Take A Time Out

with Professor Gregory Slayton

By Lyndon D'Oliveiro

One hundred twenty men and women gathered excitedly at Theatrette 1, Calvary Convention Centre on Saturday, 6 August 2016 to hear from Professor Gregory W. Slayton on managing anger. This seminar "Take A Time Out" was organised by the Men's Ministry.

After introducing himself as a former US Ambassador, Silicon Valley CEO, Venture Capitalist, Distinguished Visiting Professor at Harvard, Stanford and Dartmouth (the list goes on), Prof. Gregory shared how he was abandoned by his blood father and adopted by a Chinese-American family. It was through this family experience God taught him about good family and fatherhood. He has been studying fatherhood on 5 continents for 25 years.

From the onset, he emphasized the success of the workshop depends not on what he teaches but on what participants learn. With short but incisive presentations, interspersed with engaging times of reflection and sharing, the seminar provided participants an opportunity to delve deep into their emotions. He differentiated righteous anger versus unrighteous anger. The former is displeased at injustice, discrimination, pride, greed, corruption, death of others while the latter centres on one's self such as personal inconvenience, being humbled, not getting one's way, losing out, not getting fair share and own death. Many

were touched when participants took to the microphone to share their personal experiences with both types of anger.

Anger stems from our attitude – whether that of a pilgrim or of a tourist. A pilgrim makes plans but lets God decide, sees problems as part of the journey, seeks to learn through problems, esteems others as fellow pilgrims. His reaction to bad things is to pray and work with others to resolve them. A tourist, however, considers his plan as paramount. Problems upset him/her to question "Why aren't you solving my problem?". Other people are expected to solve his problem because he is the boss. When bad things happen, he gets angry and expects others to resolve them.

After that, the participants shared their discoveries in small groups. Associate Pastor Richard Yun then concluded the seminar by inviting participants to pray and commit their situations and challenges to the Lord who is able to help them. Praise God for many who raised their hands for prayer and benefitted from this wonderful learning experience about anger!

Look forward to the upcoming Men's Breakfast Fellowship with Larry Stockstill on 29 October 2016.



Participants sharing their discoveries with each other



Royal Rangers in Japan

By Cheah Siew Ying

Five Royal Rangers Commanders from Calvary Church, led by Commander Jim Guneratnam, the Royal Rangers Asia Pacific Coordinator, together with Eddy Law, Samuel Ngeow, Cheah Siew Ying and Stephanie Kok visited the Royal Rangers in Japan.

On Sunday, 31 July 2016, the commanders ministered and promoted the Royal Rangers ministry at Kanazawa Christ Church in Yokohama, pastored by Rev. Funatsu.

In the afternoon, the team continued to be a blessing to the homeless ministry started by Rev. Funatsu at the Minato Mirai Homeless Church. The team has the privilege to serve dinner to 87 homeless people who attended the service. Praise God that the food was sponsored by Calvary Church.

From 1 – 3 August 2016, the commanders participated in their Royal Ranger Annual National Camp, Japan Pow Wow 2016 at Tanzawa-Öyama Quasi-National Park, Kanagawa. With more than 70 campers from 5 different churches, it was a great opportunity for the commanders from Japan and Malaysia to meet

and fellowship with each other. During the Campfire on the first night, the commanders were invited to pray for the campers. Praise God that Commander Stephanie was able to lead one of the girls to salvation.

On the 6 August 2016, the team conducted the Rangers Fundamentals training to 17 leaders at the Japan Assemblies of God Headquarters in Komagome, Tokyo.

We pray for God's hand to be on these leaders as they continue in serving Him faithfully and to expand the Royal Ranger ministry in Japan.



Commander Cheah Siew Ying sharing testimony



Commander Eddy Law sharing testimony



Commander Jim Guneratnam ministering the Word at the Kanazawa Christ Church



PENGURAPAN DAN TUGASAN

Oleh Pendita Kanan Prince Guneratnam

Kita golongan manusia yang mempunyai matlamat sebagai umat lahir semula mengakui Yesus Kristus sebagai Juruselamat dan Tuhan. Kata nubuat melalui Dick Eastman ialah Gereja Calvary adalah gereja sumber-asal mata air. Mata air terbentuk dan saluran sumber diadakan. Yesus berkata, 'Aku akan mendirikan jemaat-Ku dan alam maut tidak akan menguasainya' (Matius 16:18) dan saluran sumber yang dialami Gereja Calvary juga adalah apa yang dikatakan oleh Yesus, 'Dan Aku akan mengirim kepadamu apa yang dijanjikan Bapa-Ku. Tetapi kamu harus tinggal di dalam kota ini sampai kamu diperlengkapi dengan kekuasaan dari tempat tinggi' (Lukas 24:49). Pengurapan Roh Kudus datang bersama dengan tugasan. Pengurapan tersebut memberi kita kuasa dan autoriti untuk memenuhi tugasan. Alkitab mengatakan, 'Bukan dengan keperkasaan dan bukan dengan kekuatan, melainkan dengan roh-Ku' (Zakharia 4:6).

Mari kita pelajari daripada Yesus akan pengurapan dan tugasannya.

Yesus diurapi dan diberi tugasan. Alkitab mengatakan, 'Roh Tuhan ada pada-Ku, karena ia telah memilih Aku untuk memberitakan Kabar Baik kepada orang-orang miskin. ia mengutus Aku untuk memberitakan pembebasan kepada para tawanan, dan pemulihan penglihatan kepada orang-orang buta, untuk membebaskan orang-orang yang tertindas' (Lukas 4:18). Tugasannya berterusan hingga kini, melalui gereja, Tubuh Badan Kristus. Alkitab mengatakan, 'Yesus mendekati mereka dan berkata, "Kepada-Ku telah diberikan segala kuasa di sorga dan di bumi. Karena itu pergilah, jadikanlah semua bangsa murid-Ku dan baptislah mereka dalam nama Bapa dan Anak dan Roh Kudus, dan ajarlah mereka melakukan segala sesuatu yang telah Kuperintahkan kepadamu. Dan ketahuilah, Aku menyertai kamu senantiasa sampai kepada akhir zaman' (Matius 28:18-20). Kita seharusnya mentaati Perintah Agung, tugasan Tuhan kepada gerejaNya, dan itu sebabnya Tuhan mengurapi kita.

Yesus memenuhi tugasannya

Alkitab mengatakan, "Demikianlah kata

Yesus. Lalu ia menengadah ke langit dan berkata: "Bapa, telah tiba saatnya; permuliakanlah Anak-Mu, supaya Anak-Mu mempermuliakan Engkau. Sama seperti Engkau telah memberikan kepada-Nya kuasa atas segala yang hidup, demikian pula ia akan memberikan hidup yang kekal kepada semua yang telah Engkau berikan kepada-Nya. Inilah hidup yang kekal itu, yaitu bahawa mereka mengenal Engkau, satu-satunya Tuhan yang benar, dan mengenal Yesus Kristus yang telah Engkau utus. Aku telah mempermuliakan Engkau di bumi dengan jalan menyelesaikan pekerjaan yang Engkau berikan kepada-Ku untuk melakukannya. Oleh sebab itu, ya Bapa, permuliakanlah Aku pada-Mu sendiri dengan kemuliaan yang Kumiliki di hadirat-Mu sebelum dunia ada" (Yohanes 17:1-5). Yesus sedang berdoa kepada BapaNya. Ini doa Tuhan dan bukannya model doa yang diajar Yesus kepada muridNya (Matius 6:9-13). Dalam model doa, Yesus mengajar muridNya berdoa seperti ini, "ampunilah kami akan kesalahan kami, seperti kami juga mengampuni orang yang bersalah kepada kami (Matius 6:12). Ini jelas doa tersebut bukan untuk Dia, sebab Dia tanpa dosa.

Yesus berdoa kepada BapaNya, "Aku telah mempermuliakan Engkau di bumi dengan jalan menyelesaikan pekerjaan yang Engkau berikan kepada-Ku untuk melakukannya" (Yohanes 17:4). Apakah maksud Yesus apabila Dia berkata, "Aku telah menyelesaikan pekerjaan yang Engkau berikan kepada-Ku untuk melakukannya" apabila Dia belum disalib lagi? Yesus menyatakan komitmen dan dedikasiNya secara total untuk menghabiskan tugasannya. Dia mahu BapaNya mengetahui bahawa penyalibanNya itu dianggap selesai, Dia komited menyempurnakanNya. Marilah kita secara peribadi dan secara sekumpulan satu Gereja, mengikuti contoh Yesus. Tidak ada yang memuliakan Tuhan lebih daripada menyelesaikan tugasan yang telah berikan olehNya. Dia menjadi rakan kongsi apabila kamu komited dan bertekad memenuhi kehendakNya. Kita perlu lakukan apa yang kita mampu dan Dia akan lakukan yang ajaib. Yang ajaib itu akan menyebabkan orang lain memuji Bapa.

Alkitab mengatakan, "Demikianlah hendaknya terangmu bercahaya di depan orang, supaya mereka melihat perbuatanmu yang baik dan memuliakan Bapamu yang di sorga" (Matius 5:16).

Kita harus menyinarkan cahaya kita dalam dunia dan tidak menanti sehingga kita ke syurga. Melakukan kebaikan mungkin mencabar. Sebab itu kita mesti minta pengurapan Tuhan supaya kerja kebaikan atau perlakuan iman di dunia memuliakan Dia.

Kita harus meminta jamahan Roh Kudus untuk memenuhi tugasan yang kita lakukan sebagai tubuh badan Kristus, sebuah gereja dan secara individu dalam melakukan kehendak Tuhan. Alkitab mengatakan, "Aku berkata kepadamu: Sesungguhnya barangsiapa percaya kepada-Ku, ia akan melakukan juga pekerjaan-pekerjaan yang Aku lakukan, bahkan pekerjaan-pekerjaan yang lebih besar daripada itu. Sebab Aku pergi kepada Bapa. Dan apa juga yang kamu minta dalam nama-Ku, Aku akan melakukannya, supaya Bapa dipermuliakan di dalam Anak" (Yohanes 14:12-13). Minta supaya kamu akan terima. Ini umpsama mempunyai cek kosong. Jikalau kehidupan dan pelayananmu memuliakan namaNya, Roh Kudus janji Tuhan untuk kamu. Apabila keputusan telah dibuat, bertekad menyentuh komuniti untuk kemuliaanNya, dan kamu mampu menjadi saksi yang diurapi.

Untuk memahami pengurapan, mari kita menatap Mazmur 133." Nyanyian ziarah Daud. Sungguh, alangkah baiknya dan indahnya, apabila saudara-saudara diam bersama dengan rukun. Seperti minyak yang baik di atas kepala meleleh ke janggut, yang meleleh ke janggut Harun dan ke leher jubahnya. Seperti embun gunung Hermon yang turun ke atas gunung-gunung Sion. Sebab ke sanalah TUHAN memerintahkan berkat, kehidupan untuk selama-lamanya" (Mazmur 133).

Pertama, pengurapan seperti minyak yang dicurahkan atas kepala Imam Besar, Harun. Pengurapan dicurahkan atas kepala kerana kamu perlu perubahan minda. Visi atau kehendak Tuhan mesti dilakukan, caraNya. Pengurapan mengupaya kamu berjalan

dalam iman dan kebenaran, bukan melalui penglihatan dan fakta!

Beberapa contoh menunjukkan perbezaan fakta dengan kebenaran

1. Kemenangan ke atas Yerikho

Fakta menyatakan, tembok tidak runtuh dengan berjalan mengelilinginya. Kebenarannya ialah, Tuhan yang memberikan perintah sebegitu. Alkitab mengatakan, "Dalam pada itu Yerikho telah menutup pintu gerbangnya; telah tertutup kota itu karena orang Israel; tidak ada orang keluar atau masuk. Berfirmanlah TUHAN kepada Yosua: "Ketahuilah, Aku serahkan ke tanganmu Yerikho ini beserta rajanya dan pahlawan-pahlawannya yang gagah perkasa. Haruslah kamu mengelilingi kota itu, yakni semua prajurit harus mengedari kota itu sekali saja; demikianlah harus engkau perbuat enam hari lamanya, dan tujuh orang imam harus membawa tujuh sangkakala tanduk domba di depan tabut. Tetapi pada hari yang ketujuh, tujuh kali kamu harus mengelilingi kota itu sedang para imam meniup sangkakala. Apabila sangkakala tanduk domba itu panjang bunyinya dan kamu mendengar bunyi sangkakala itu, maka haruslah seluruh bangsa bersorak dengan sorak yang nyaring, maka tembok kota itu akan runtuh, lalu bangsa itu harus memanjatnya, masing-masing langsung ke depan" (Yosua 6:1-5). Masalahnya ialah ramai terikat dengan fakta dan lupa akan kebenaran. Akibatnya, kegagalan untuk mematuhi kebenaran dan hidup dalam kemenangan mengatasi dosa serta mengumumkan kemuliaan Tuhan. Yesus berkata, "Akulah jalan dan kebenaran dan hidup" (Yohanes 14:6). Alkitab mengatakan, "Siapa di antaramu yang takut akan TUHAN dan mendengarkan suara hamba-Nya? Jika ia hidup dalam kegelapan dan tidak ada cahaya bersinar baginya, baiklah ia percaya kepada nama TUHAN dan bersandar kepada Tuhaninya!" (Yesaya 50:10)

2. Daud berdepan Goliat

Faktanya ialah apa yang Saul berkata kepada Daud, "...Tidak mungkin engkau dapat menghadapi orang Filistin itu untuk melawan dia, sebab engkau masih muda, sedang dia sejak dari masa mudanya telah menjadi prajurit" (1 Samuel 17:33). Fakta menyatakan Daud, remaja biasa bukan tandingan bagi Goliat, seorang berpengalaman dalam peperangan. Kebenarannya dalam kata-kata Daud, "TUHAN yang telah melepaskan aku dari cakar singa dan dari cakar beruang, Dia juga akan melepaskan aku dari tangan orang Filistin itu" (1 Samuel 17:37). Pengurapan memberi kamu kuasa dan autoriti menjangkau fahaman manusia supaya kamu dapat memenuhi rencana Tuhan untukmu.

1. Contoh lain-lain

Ketika fakta menjadi mustahil, seperti memberi makan 5,000 orang dengan hanya 5 buku roti dan 2 ekor ikan, dan menukar air menjadi air anggur. Kebenaran adalah seperti kata-kata Yesus, "Bagi manusia hal ini tidak mungkin, tetapi bagi Tuhan segala sesuatu mungkin" (Matius 19:26). Yesus adalah "Akulah jalan dan kebenaran dan hidup" (Matius 14:6)

Manusia adalah trikotomi. lanya roh, jiwa dan tubuh badan.

- Roh berkait dengan kebenaran.
- Daging dan minda jasmaniah berkait dengan fakta, apa yang boleh difahami dan bersifat logik.
- Jiwa membuat keputusan

Apabila kamu menerima Kristus sebagai Tuhan dan Juruselamat, jiwa kamu ditebus dan roh kamu hidup semula. Kamu celik rohaniah untuk membuat keputusan yang betul dan makmur. Alkitab mengatakan, "Saudaraku yang kekasih, aku berdoa, semoga engkau baik-baik dan sehat-sehat saja dalam segala sesuatu, sama seperti jiwamu baik-baik saja" (3 Yohanes 2). Cabarannya sama ada kamu mengikuti daging atau roh yang sudah celik dalam Kristus?

Beberapa contoh bertindak balas dalam daging atau roh

- Aku bankrupt, tetapi kebenaran ialah, "Tetapi carilah dahulu Kerajaan Tuhan dan kebenarannya , maka semuanya itu akan ditambahkan kepadamu" (Matius 6:33).
- Aku lemah, tetapi kebenaran ialah, "Cukuplah kasih karunia-Ku bagimu , sebab justru dalam kelemahanlah kuasa-Ku menjadi sempurna" (2 Korintus 12:9).
- Aku lesu dan penat, tetapi kebenaran ialah "tetapi orang-orang yang menanti-nantikan TUHAN mendapat kekuatan baru: mereka seumpama rajawali yang naik terbang dengan kekuatan sayapnya; mereka berlari dan tidak menjadi lesu, mereka berjalan dan tidak menjadi lelah" (Yesaya 40:31).

Kedua, pengurapan ini digambarkan bagi mengalir daripada kepala Harun ke susur pakaian dan juga sebagai embun atas Gunung Hermon. Gunung Hermon kira-kira 4000 kaki atas paras laut. Apabila kamu meneliti peta, puncak Gunung Hermon mempunyai salji di atasnya. Apabila salji lebur, airnya mengalir ke lautan Galilee ke Jordan dan ke dalam Lautan Mati yang berada 1300 kaki bawah paras laut. Bayangkan jauhnya jarak air itu menurun! Ini membuktikan betapa kuat kebenaran pengurapan Tuhan yang boleh menyertaimu, mahupun kamu berada di penghujung jalan. Ada sebutan yang mengatakan kamu tidak boleh lemas dalam lautan Mati sebab tinggi kandungan garamnya. Tidak kira di mana

kamu berada, walaupun kamu berada di tahap paling rendah, dan terfikir sama ada kamu boleh bangkit, pengurapan memberi kuasa kemenangan kepada kamu.

Dengan terkumpul minyak pengurapan disusur pakaian, ini tempat pengurapan paling kuat. Pada tahap kita paling lemah, apa sekali situasinya, bekalan Tuhan, kuasa dan autoritiNya paling kuat. Apabila kamu berada di tahap paling rendah, Tuhan mempunyai rencanaNya. Ingat perempuan yang mempunyai masalah pegaliran darah? Dia sudah hampir merangkak sebab terlalu lemah dan bersedia untuk mati, tetapi dia berpikir, "Asal kujamah saja jubah-Nya, aku akan sembah" (Matius 9:21). Dia menyentuh susur pakaian Yesus dan terima penyembuhan.

Jangan bersandar pada kebijaksanaan diri sendiri, kecenderungan dan pembujukan. Muliakan Dia dengan memenuhi masa depan yang Tuhan berikan. Jadilah saksi yang diurapi. Dengan Tuhan semuanya mungkin.

Semua petikan Alkitab adalah dari Alkitab Indonesia melainkan dinyatakan.



恩膏和任务

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我们作为承认耶稣基督为我们的救主的重生信徒是命定的子民。由迪克·伊士曼说的先知预言，加略山教会是一个泉源教会。一个被创立的源泉并有供应的来源。耶稣说道：「我要建造我的教会，阴间的权柄不能胜过它」(太16: 18)。加略山教会正在经历的供应的来源也是耶稣说的：「我要将我父所应许的降在你们身上，你们要在城里等候，直到你们领受从上面来的能力」(路24: 49)。伴随圣灵的恩膏而来的是一个任务。恩膏给我们权力和权柄去履行任务。圣经上说道：「不是倚靠势力，不是倚靠才能，乃是倚靠我的灵方能成事」(亚4: 6)。

让我们向耶稣学习有关他的恩膏和任务。

耶稣受膏并被赋予一个任务。圣经上说道：「主的灵在我身上，因为他用膏膏我，叫我传福音给贫穷的人；差遣我宣告：被掳的得释放，失明的得看见，受压迫的得自由」(路4: 18)。通过教会，基督的身体，他的任务直到今天仍在继续。圣经上说道：「耶稣进前来，对他们说：“天上地下所有的权柄都赐给我了。所以，你们要去，使万民作我的门徒，奉父、子、圣灵的名给他们施洗，凡我所吩咐你们的，都教导他们遵守。看哪，我天天与你们同在，直到世代的终结」(太28: 18-20)。我们要服从大使命，主给他的教会的任务，这就是为什么神恩膏我们。

耶稣完成他的任务

圣经上说道：「耶稣说了这些话，就举目望天，说：“父啊，时候到了，愿你荣耀你的儿子，使儿子也荣耀你；因为你曾赐给他权柄掌管凡血肉之躯的，使他把永生赐给你所赐给他的人。认识你—独一的真神，并且认识你所差来的耶稣基督，这就是永生。我在地上已经荣耀你，你交给我做的工作，我已完成了。父啊，现在求你使我在你面前得荣耀，就是在未有世界以前，我同你享有的荣耀」(约17: 1-5)。耶稣向他的父祷告。这是耶稣的祷告，而不是耶稣教导门徒的模范祷告(太6: 9-13)。在该模范祷告中，他教导门徒祷告：「免我们的债，如同我们免了人的债」(太6: 12)。这显然不是为他自己，因他是没有罪的。

耶稣向他的父祷告：「我在地上已经荣耀你，你交给我做的工作，我已完成了」(约17: 4)。耶稣的意思是什么，当他说：「你交给我做的工作，我已完成了」，但他还没有被钉十字架？耶稣是在表达他的全然的献身和致力于完成他的任务。他想让他的父知道就钉十字架而言，这是一个完成的交易。他是致力于去履行。让我们作为个人和教会，跟随耶稣的榜样。没有什么比完成他已分配我们去做的事更荣耀父。当你承诺并决心完成他的旨意时，他就成为你的合作伙伴。我们必须尽我们所能，他将会行神迹奇事。神迹将会导致人们荣耀父。

圣经上说道：「你们的光也要这样照在人前，叫他们看见你们的好行为，把荣耀归给你们在天上的父」(太5: 16)。我们要让自

己的光照耀在地上，而不是当我们到达天堂时。好行为是很有挑战性的。这就是为什么我们要求神恩膏我们，让我们地上的好行为或信心的行为会荣耀他。

作为教会，基督的身体和作为个人去遵行神的旨意，我们必须寻求圣灵的充满来完成我们的任务。圣经上说道：「我实实在在地告诉你们，我所做的工作，信我的人也要做，并且要做得比这些更大，因为我要到父那里去。你们奉我的名无论求什么，我必成全，为了使父因儿子得荣耀」(约14: 12-13)。求，这样你就可以得到。这类似于有一张空白支票。如果你是在生活和事奉上荣耀他的名字，圣灵就是神给你的应许。当你已经下决定，为他的荣耀决心去触摸社区，你可以成为他的受膏见证人。

要了解恩膏，让我们看看诗篇133章。

「看哪，弟兄和睦同住是何等的善，何等的美！这好比那贵重的油浇在亚伦的头上，流到胡须，又流到他的衣襟；又好比黑门的甘露降在锡安山；因为在那里面有耶和华所命定的福，就是永远的生命」(诗133)。

首先，恩膏就像浇在亚伦，大祭司头上的油。恩膏是浇在头上，因为你需要改变你的思维方式。神的异象或旨意必须以神的方法来执行。恩膏使你能够靠信心和真理行，而不是靠眼见和事实！

一些例子显示事实和真理之间的区别。

1. 耶利哥城的胜利

事实是，围绕城墙走是不会使它们倒下来。真理是，神是这么说。圣经上说道：「耶利哥的城门因以色列人的缘故，关得严紧，无人出入。耶和华对约书亚说：“看，我已经把耶利哥城和耶利哥王，以及大能的勇士，都交在你手中。你们要围绕这城，所有的士兵绕城一次，六日你都要这样做。七个祭司要拿七个羊角走在约柜前。到了第七日，你们要围绕这城七次，祭司也要吹角。羊角声拖长的时候，你们一听见角声，众百姓要大声呼喊，城墙就必倒塌，各人要往前直上」(书6: 1-5)。问题是许多人过于注重事实和忘记了真理。因此，不能服从真理和胜过罪恶活在胜利中，并宣告神的荣耀！耶稣说道：「我就是道路、真理、生命」(约14: 6)。圣经上说道：「你们当中有谁是敬畏耶和华，听从他仆人的话语，却行在黑暗中，没有亮光的，当倚靠耶和华的名，仰赖自己的神」(赛50: 10)。

2. 大卫面对歌利亚

事实是扫罗对大卫说：「你不能去与那非利士人决斗，因为你年纪太轻，他从小就是战士」(撒上17: 33)。这是一个事实，大卫，只是个年轻人是敌不过歌利亚，一个争战经验丰富的人。真理是大卫所说的话：「耶和华救我脱离狮子和熊的爪，他必救我脱离这非利士人的手。」扫罗对大卫说：「你去吧！耶和华必与你同在」(撒上17: 37)。恩膏赐给你远远超出了人类的推理的权力和权柄，以便你能完成神呼召你去做的事。

3. 其它的例子：

当事实是不可能的，如以五饼二鱼喂饱5000人和将水变成酒。真理就是耶稣说的话：「在人这是不能，在神凡事都能」(太19: 26)。耶稣就是「道路、真理和生命」(约14: 6)。

人的三元论。他是由灵，魂和体组成

- 灵是与真理有关
- 肉体或肉欲是与事实，可以理解和靠理性的事有关
- 魂作出决定

当你接受基督为你的救主和生命的主，你的魂被赎回，你的灵就活过来。你在属灵上是活着作出正确的决定而兴盛。圣经上说道：「亲爱的兄弟啊，我愿你凡事兴盛，身体健壮，正如你的灵魂兴盛一样」(约叁2)。

面临的挑战是你会听从藉基督活过来的灵或是肉体？

回应肉体或灵的一些例子：

- 我没钱了但真理是，「你们要先求神的国和他的义，这些东西都要加给你们了」(太6: 33)。
- 我软弱，但真理是，「我的恩典是够你用的，因为我的能力是在人的软弱上显得完全」(林后12: 9)。
- 我困倦和疲惫，但真理是，「但那等候耶和华的必重新得力。他们必如鹰展翅上腾；他们奔跑却不困倦，行走却不疲乏」(赛40: 31)。

其次，恩膏被描述为从亚伦的头上流到他的衣襟，也像在黑门山的甘露。黑门山高峰为海拔约4000英尺。当你看地图，黑门山的尖端有雪。当它融化，水流入加利利海，通过约旦河，而流入低于海平面1300英尺的死海。注意水往下流的遥远距离！这表达一个强大的真理，亦即神的恩膏仍然能临到你，即使当你走入穷途末路！有人说，你不能在死海被淹死，因为它的重盐含量。无论你在哪里，甚至当你在谷底，并怀疑你能否做到，恩膏能赋予你能力使你胜利。

随着膏油积累在衣襟下，这里就是恩膏最强有力的地方。当我们在我最软弱的时候，不管是什么情况，神的供应，权力和权柄都是最强有力！当你觉得生活快被拖垮，可以记住神总是意识到你的需要，对你有一个计划。还记得有一个患了十二年血漏的女人？她几乎是爬着，因为她软弱乏力和差不多要死了，但她心里说，「我只要摸他的衣裳，就会痊愈」(太9: 21)。她摸着他的衣裳缝子，被治好了！

不可倚靠自己的聪明，倾向和信念。通过实现神赐予你的命定来荣耀他。作受膏的见证人。在神凡事都能。

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45 RECEIVED AS MEMBERS!

On 31 July 2016, 45 Calvarites were received as members at the Sunday Worship Service at Calvary Convention Centre.

Church membership helps the believer grow in the Christian faith as well as provides avenues for the believer to be involved in serving the Lord in various ministries and fellowship.

Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam commended these new members for their willingness to be part of the local body of Christ and the vision of Calvary Church, and prayed for them.

WATER BAPTISM

30 FOLLOWED THE LORD IN WATER BAPTISM ON 13 AUGUST 2016



Seated on the floor (L to R)

Matthew Amani Mayage, Elizabeth Tan Yi Jia, Evangeline Ng Jia Yi, Louis Chew Shao Kang, Allesah Neha George, Samuel Chong Jian Ye, Ian Goh Khai Ern, Isaac Goh Khai Feng

Front Row (L to R)

Daniel Tan Yow Chin, Joe Jo Hwei Sook Harn, Nicole Tia Ying Chia, Ebuka Onyebuchi Chukwuebuka, Hu Chieng Wen, Meela Anak Janting

2nd Row (L to R)

Karen Liew Kok Ling, Felicia Ong Hoay Ling, Athena Pang Ee Wa, Jacquelyn Theng Kah Mei, Joanne Teow Jia En, Dinah Doong Weng Lee, Leow Boon Kheng, Anita Mary Mammen, Azriela Rahel George

Back Row (L to R)

David Chan Terk Piau, Christopher Chan Kok Sin, Savannah Lee Peck Ha, Ozoh Caleb Tochukwu, Onuguh Wisdom Udochukwu, Jay Arvind Vejayan, Abraham George

If you believe in Jesus and want to be baptised in water to declare your faith, call the Church at 03-89995532 ext. 434 to sign-up for our next Water Baptism Service.



Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam with Life Group Pastor, Associate Pastor David Seah, Youth Life Group Leaders and the new Youth Life Group Hosts



Youth Life Groups (LGs)

have moved out into location based Homes!

■ What is a Youth LGs?

Every youth, when honed and encouraged in the right way, can mature, be productive and impact lives. One of the best place to experience a holistic development of the spiritual, social and mental, is in the Youth LGs! In the LGs, these vital elements of their Christian faith are emphasized:

- Their knowledge and their application of God's Word
- Their devotional and prayer life
- Their giftings and ministry
- Their witnessing and discipling of others

■ Attention to all 12 to 24 years olds!

Come journey with vibrant young people who are learning the Word and growing in their faith! Be a part of the Youth LGs today! We meet fortnightly at:

- Damansara Jaya (Saturday, 2.00pm - 4.00pm)
- Bukit Jalil (Saturday, 11.00am - 1.00pm)
- Cheras (Saturday, 2.00pm - 4.00pm)
- Kota Damansara (Thursday, 8.00pm - 10.00pm)

For more information, contact us at 03-8999 5532 ext 408



Youth LG at Cheras



Youth LG at Bukit Jalil



SO MUCH TO SEE, SO MUCH TO PLAY, SO MUCH FUN!

Every year Calvary Church celebrates Children's Day. They are God's precious gift to us and the church. Our theme this year is "Precious" in His Sight, taken from Isaiah 43:4 - "Since you are precious and honored in my sight, and because I love you, I will give people in exchange for you, nations in exchange for your life". The kids will learn that they are precious to God through a serial of exciting activities and amazing Race.

The event is on Sunday, 25 September 2016 and the details are as follow:

Children ages 4 months to age 4

Time: 9.00am to 11.00am

Location: Calvary Nursery Care at Level 1, CCC

Children ages 5-11

Time: 9.00am to 12.30pm

Location: Multipurpose & Banquet Hall at Level B2, CCC (please bring your child to the registration counter outside the hall)

As Calvarites, we would like to invite you to participate with us in this meaningful event by:

- Helping with the Hall Decoration on Saturday, 24 September 2016 at 11.00am
- Helping to fetch the children you've invited. You are encouraged to take invitation leaflets at the information counter and invite the children to experience the love of God.

Last but not least, your prayers and support for this celebration will be a great blessing to your child and their friends.

For more information, contact us at 03-89995532 ext. 404

Service Schedule September 2016

Calvary Damansara Heights
Saturday at 5.00pm

- 03** Associate Pastor Peter Ong
10 Associate Pastor David Seah
17 Associate Pastor Yong Chee Weng
24 Associate Pastor Richard Yun

Calvary Convention Centre
Sunday at 9.00am

- 04** Associate Pastor Yong Chee Weng
11 Associate Pastor Peter Ong
18 Associate Pastor Steven Kum
25 Associate Pastor David Seah



A call to pray for the Nation on Malaysia Day

Date : Friday, 16 September 2016
Time : 7.30pm
Venue : Calvary Church Damansara Heights

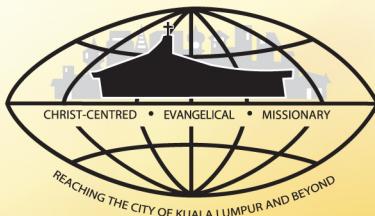
In collaboration with the Assemblies of God Prayer Commission.
We encourage all Calvarites to be present and to join our faith
together on this special day of prayer

中文团契
**CHINESE
FELLOWSHIP**

Date : Sunday, 25 September 2016
Time : 11.30am
Venue : Theatrette 1, Level B2, CCC
Speaker : Associate Pastor Peter Ong

**BAHASA
MALAYSIA
FELLOWSHIP**

Date : Sunday, 25 September 2016
Time : 11.30am
Venue : Room b1.03, Level B1, CCC
Speaker : Felisa Foo



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