

## **KEC ORDER OF SERVICE/SERMON OUTLINE 25<sup>th</sup> April 2021 (KEC SERVICE Online)**

Please take note that this Sunday's service begins at **8.30am**, not 9am.

We will not be showing any new Kids' Church Videos for the moment. Please do join one of our Sunday School groups instead! Contact Abang Trang for more info.

You can access the livestream at [https://www.facebook.com/bemkec/live\\_videos/](https://www.facebook.com/bemkec/live_videos/)

Or on Youtube here: <https://youtube.com/bemkec/live>

*8.30am – Livestream starts*

*Livestream link should be available by 8.25am latest.*

### **1. CALL TO WORSHIP – Hebrews 11:32-12:3**

### **2. WORSHIP in SONG (with Emmy Baru)**

SONG 1: God is able

SONG 2: O Church arise

### **3. Gospel Meditation: Talking to yourself (based on Psalm 42)**

### **4. Prayers**

### **5. Bible reading: Joshua 1**

**1** After the death of Moses the servant of the LORD, the LORD said to Joshua son of Nun, Moses' aide: **2** "Moses my servant is dead. Now then, you and all these people, get ready to cross the Jordan River into the land I am about to give to them—to the Israelites. **3** I will give you every place where you set your foot, as I promised Moses. **4** Your territory will extend from the desert to Lebanon, and from the great river, the Euphrates—all the Hittite country—to the Mediterranean Sea in the west. **5** No one will be able to stand against you all the days of your life. As I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will never leave you nor forsake you. **6** Be strong and courageous, because you will lead these people to inherit the land I swore to their ancestors to give them.

**7** "Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the law my servant Moses gave you; do not turn from it to the right or to the left, that you may be successful wherever you go. **8** Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful. **9** Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go."

**10** So Joshua ordered the officers of the people: **11** "Go through the camp and tell the people, 'Get your provisions ready. Three days from now you will cross the Jordan here to go in and take possession of the land the LORD your God is giving you for your own.'"

<sup>12</sup> But to the Reubenites, the Gadites and the half-tribe of Manasseh, Joshua said, <sup>13</sup>“Remember the command that Moses the servant of the LORD gave you after he said, ‘The LORD your God will give you rest by giving you this land.’ <sup>14</sup> Your wives, your children and your livestock may stay in the land that Moses gave you east of the Jordan, but all your fighting men, ready for battle, must cross over ahead of your fellow Israelites. You are to help them <sup>15</sup> until the LORD gives them rest, as he has done for you, and until they too have taken possession of the land the LORD your God is giving them. After that, you may go back and occupy your own land, which Moses the servant of the LORD gave you east of the Jordan toward the sunrise.”

<sup>16</sup> Then they answered Joshua, “Whatever you have commanded us we will do, and wherever you send us we will go. <sup>17</sup> Just as we fully obeyed Moses, so we will obey you. Only may the LORD your God be with you as he was with Moses. <sup>18</sup> Whoever rebels against your word and does not obey it, whatever you may command them, will be put to death. Only be strong and courageous!”

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### **SERMON OUTLINE: Pressing on (Joshua 1)**

#### **1) Preparing to claim the promise (v.1-4).**

A New Leader for Israel – v1-2

God’s faithfulness and assurance – the land will be Israel’s

#### **2) Perceiving the presence of God (v.5, 9)**

God’s assurance of His presence with Joshua

God assures that “I am always with you”.

Perceiving God’s presence, the cornerstone of Israel’s success.

### 3) Press on in faith and obedience (v.6-9)

“Be strong and courageous” (v.6, 7 & 9)

A response by Israel

The facet of Faith & Obedience.

#### (i) Faith (v.6 & 9)

Addressing Israel’s fear & doubt.

I trust YOU, I believe in YOU.

Press on in faith because God is faithful to His people

#### (ii) Obedience (v. 7-8)

Formula for prosperity & success in their journey.

Israel struggles with obedience.

Fearing Israel’s rebellion against God again.

Conduct yourself according to God’s law, in and out of battle.

God’s word is constantly and continuously spoken, read, discussed

Centrality of God's word

Obedience is Israel's faith in action

**4) Pledging to stay the course together (v.10-18)**

Eastern Tribes already received their inheritance.

All of Israel, together.

Pledge of faith and obedience by the Eastern Tribes

**5) The future hope in Christ**

Christ the true and perfect King of God's people.

The perfect final home of God's people.

The perfect rest in salvation through Christ.

Christ, the model of perfect obedience.

## 6) What does this mean for me?

- (i) Cling to the knowledge of God and his faithfulness.

The object of your faith determines the outcome.

- (ii) God is always with you

We can be strong and courageous in what we face.

- (iii) Keep God's word at the centre of our lives.

## Response: By Faith

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Connect cards
- Giving
- Next sermon series: Inside Out
- KEC Church Administrator vacancy:  
Any interested parties are encouraged to apply and submit their CV as soon as possible, latest by this coming Thursday, addressed to the Church Secretary (email: [kecsibkh@gmail.com](mailto:kecsibkh@gmail.com) or [brian.bemkec@gmail.com](mailto:brian.bemkec@gmail.com) or [edwards@cmsb.my](mailto:edwards@cmsb.my)). Preferred qualifications is diploma/degree in business admin/management/HR, but other fields/level are also acceptable. Please see the advertisement for the position in full at <https://bemkec.my>
- *Christianity Explored* – starting 8pm every Thursday, April 29<sup>th</sup> for 8 weeks (inclusive of Gawai break) via Zoom. Register at <https://bemkec.my/christianity-explored/>
- *Putting Parenting to bed*: This video-based parenting course finishes **today**, 10.30-11.30am, Zoom. Facilitators: Ong Chin Yin and Lynn Ngui.
- Prayer Meeting – on Zoom until further notice.

### BENEDICTION

<sup>8</sup>He will also keep you firm to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup>God is faithful, who has called you into fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

- 1 Corinthians 1:8-9