KEC ORDER OF SERVICE/SERMON OUTLINE 28st November 2021 (KEC Hybrid Service)

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Welcome to church! Here at BEM KEC, these are our core convictions:

- To be centred on the gospel
- To be driven by God's Word
- To be focused on growing disciples
- To be a community of truth and love
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1. CALL TO WORSHIP – Exodus 19:4-6

2. WORSHIP in SONG (with Joshua Baru):

SONG 1: Stronger SONG 2: Come ye sinners

3. Prayers

4. Bible reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:1-12

4 As for other matters, brothers and sisters, we instructed you how to live in order to please God, as in fact you are living. Now we ask you and urge you in the Lord Jesus to do this more and more. ² For you know what instructions we gave you by the authority of the Lord Jesus.

³ It is God's will that you should be sanctified: that you should avoid sexual immorality; ⁴ that each of you should learn to control your own body^[a] in a way that is holy and honorable, ⁵ not in passionate lust like the pagans, who do not know God; ⁶ and that in this matter no one should wrong or take advantage of a brother or sister.^[b] The Lord will punish all those who commit such sins, as we told you and warned you before. ⁷ For God did not call us to be impure, but to live a holy life. ⁸ Therefore, anyone who rejects this instruction does not reject a human being but God, the very God who gives you his Holy Spirit.

⁹Now about your love for one another we do not need to write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love each other. ¹⁰ And in fact, you do love all of God's family throughout Macedonia. Yet we urge you, brothers and sisters, to do so more and more, ¹¹ and to make it your ambition to lead a quiet life: You should mind your own business and work with your hands, just as we told you, ¹² so that your daily life may win the respect of outsiders and so that you will not be dependent on anybody.

Sermon outline: Aim for holiness (1 Thessalonians 4:1-12)

Introduction

I. Pursue holiness as God's command (4:1-2)

II. Pursue holiness in sexual purity (4:3-8)

III. Pursue holiness with familial love (4:9-12)

Conclusion

Response: Purify my heart (Refiner's Fire)

ANOUNCEMENTS

- Connect cards
- Giving
- There will be a **special collection** taken up this Sunday and next Sunday for Lhaovo Bible School in Myanmar, whom we have supported for several years. They require help to build a water tower and to complete a men's dormitory and repair toilets. Target amount: RM14, 400.

If you would like to give via online banking, please put as the reference: MYANMAR

- Preaching next Sunday: Yap Don Kiang. (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18)
- Equip 9th Annual Thanksgiving and Graduation celebration. 8-9.30pm, Wednesday 1st December. Speaker: Pr Brian King. Online via Zoom. Join us in celebration as we congratulate our graduates! Despite the pandemic, they persevered and successfully completed their courses. This is just an opportunity to be encouraged and get a glimpse into what taking Equip courses look like! Register at https://new.equip.org.my/graduation2021/?mc_cid=f2a2462166&mc_eid=7405efcc_97
- Revival & Revivalism webinar with Dr. Ong Meng Chai; 8pm, Friday 3rd December 2021. What does the Bible say about revival? What is revivalism and how does it differ from true revival? These are just some of the questions that will be addressed, as we learn to discern between true revival and its counterfeits. Limited spaces. Register at https://shorturl.at/ftAK8
- Leave: Pr Brian will be on leave from November 30th December 10th (excepting the weekends).
- Advent/Christmas devotionals for sale: "Fixated", an undated devotional by Tim Chester taking you through Hebrews 1-4, is on sale for RM20 each at the back of the hall this morning. You can also place an order and collect from our church admin, Julie Kong, during office hours. Limited copies.
- **Our library is open this morning, after service.** Do take advantage of our many good books! Here are a few books that build on some of the themes that have come up during this 1 Thessalonians series:
 - Pure in Heart by Garrett Kell
 - \circ $\;$ The Gospel at work by Sebastian Traeger and Greg Gilbert $\;$
 - God's New Community by Graham Beynon
 - Serving without Sinking by John Hindley
 - \circ The Book your pastor wishes you will read by Christopher Ash
- **Prayer Meeting** this Wednesday will not be on this week. Do consider registering and coming to the Equip Graduation service instead!

CHURCH SERVICE, 5th DECEMBER: Our capacity remains at <u>100 people</u>, the maximum allowed under the current SOP. Do be reassured that we have worked hard to maintain as safe an environment as possible!

Please do book early at <u>https://bemkec.my/booking/</u> to confirm your attendance. Bookings close on Saturday afternoon, 3pm.

Please take note that next week is a **<u>COMMUNION SERVICE</u>**. Do come with mineral water and a piece of bread/cracker.

Who should attend in-person service	Who should attend online service
 Those who have been fully vaccinated. (14 days from 2nd dose) Those who are above 12 years old. Those who show no signs of being ill. 	 Those who are still waiting to be fully vaccinated. Those who are 12 years old and below. Those who are unwell or exhibiting symptoms such as fever, cough, flu. Those who have been in close contact with a positive case.

BENEDICTION

²⁴ To him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you before his glorious presence without fault and with great joy— ²⁵ to the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! Amen.

- Jude 24-25