

KEC ORDER OF SERVICE/SERMON OUTLINE 15th November (KEC SERVICE ONLINE)

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

KIDS VIDEO will be made available by 8am. Nothing in this world is safe! Our toys, clothes and other stuff may get lost or stolen or just wear down. So instead of storing up treasure on earth, Jesus wants his followers to store up in treasure in heaven that will last forever!

Direct link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pXqReysSupQ>

You can access the livestream at https://www.facebook.com/bemkec/live_videos/

8.30am – Livestream starts

Livestream link should be available by 8.25am latest.

0. Starter discussion question:

“Is death the end (of life)?”

1. CALL TO WORSHIP – Psalm 90

2. WORSHIP in SONG (with Bobby Langat)

SONG 1: Thine be the glory

SONG 2: Before the throne of God above

3. Theology is for Doxology: Understanding sin

4. Prayers of intercession

- World
- Nation
- Church

5. Bible reading: Hebrews 9:27-28; Revelation 20:11-15

²⁷ Just as people are destined to die once, and after that to face judgment, ²⁸ so Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many; and he will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him.

¹¹ Then I saw a great white throne and him who was seated on it. The earth and the heavens fled from his presence, and there was no place for them. ¹² And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life. The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the books. ¹³ The sea gave up the dead that were in it, and death and Hades gave up the dead that were in them, and each person was judged according to what they had done. ¹⁴ Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. The lake of fire is the second death. ¹⁵ Anyone whose name was not found written in the book of life was thrown into the lake of fire.

SERMON OUTLINE: Is death the end?

Daily Death Reminder: "You will die someday"

Why would you even want to be reminded about death? Why talk about death at all?

Taboo

2 reasons:

Our reluctance to talk about death is

- out of step with history

A reality we come face to face with very quickly

All that has changed

- out of step with Christianity

A constant presence in the Bible story

Psalm 90:12, 14

Memento mori ("Remember death")

Is death the end?

Hebrews 9:27

YES...

Our destiny/endpoint in this life

How God decides your time is up

You only die *once* – you don't get to alter your choices

...and NO

“...and after that to face judgment” (Hebrews 9:27b)

Don't just cease to exist

Embodied, enfleshed souls

In the Bible's understanding, death is the temporary separation of a person's material & immaterial element

The Day of Judgement (eg. Acts 17:31, Matthew 12:36)

Good news

What happens on Judgement Day?

No need to speculate, we have the Word of God – Revelation 20:11-15

- The timing

Physical death → intermediate state → bodily resurrection at end of time → final judgment

- The people

The judge

The audience

- The opening of the books

The book of deeds

The book of life (cf. Revelation 21:27)

- The sentence

The second death

Jesus bringing up hell (eg. Matt. 18:9, 34-35; Mark 9:42-50; Luke 12:5)

Is your name listed in the book of life?

Great assurance: Hebrews 9:28

Facing God without the cross vs facing God with the cross (cf. John 5:24)

How does knowing Judgement Day is the end transform our lives today?

One big implication: live for the praise of God alone (1 Cor. 4:3-5)

Only his judgment matters

Response Song: Living Hope

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Connect cards
- Christianity Explored (continues every Thursday, 8pm on Zoom. Contact Sharon Ling for details)
- Entrust conference
-
- Giving
- Prayer Meeting

BENEDICTION

¹³ Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them, saying:

“To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb
be praise and honour and glory and power,
for ever and ever!”

- Revelation 5:13