

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pray for Rev Tan Eng Boo as he prepares to speak on Sunday (4 August) from Zechariah 7. Message title: “The Need for Righteous Living” Service will be livestreamed at bit.ly/gracebpsermons at 9:30 am. Service will be livestreamed at bit.ly/gracebpsermons at 9:30 am.

Pray for Pastor. He will speak in the Mandrin Service this morning at 11.30am. Later in the evening at 5.00pm, he will also speak in the Indonesian Service via Zoom.

Evangelism & Missions.

a). *St Andrew’s Senior Care Event* on 2 August from 2-4 pm. Please join us for the event. Contact David if you are interested.

b). *Evangelism Outreach Outing* on 9 August. Venue: MacRitchie Reservoir. Time: 9 am to 1:30pm. Program includes, a morning walk, lunch and gospel sharing by Rev Lee Fatt Ping in both Mandarin and English. All are welcome. Please sign up at the notice board.

NEXT WEEK’S APPOINTMENTS

Speaker	Rev Tan Eng Boo
Worship Leader	Eld Victor Goh
Musicians	Joanna Hor, Jeremy Hor
Scripture Reader	Tan Moi Kim
AV Ministry	Sarah Goh, Nathanael Goh
Ushers	Dn Allan Lim, Lynna Seah, Tan Chew Gim
Chrysalis 3 & 2	Dn Lim Chien Chong Leong Ling Ling
Chrysalis 1	Hannah Yeo
Flowers	Jenny Chin
Refreshments	-
Prayer Meeting Devotion	Dn David Leong

LAST WEEK’S GIVINGS

Offerings	\$	777.00
Tithes	\$	515.00

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LET US PRAY

Join us in praying for the church and the world via Zoom. Please contact Rev Tan at 9784 2761 for Zoom meeting ID and password. You may also email us your prayer items at prayer@gracebpc.org.sg

MEDITATE ON GOD’S WORD

His Peace

*You keep him in perfect peace
whose mind is stayed on you,
because he trusts in you.*

Isaiah 26:3 ESV

CHURCH LEADERSHIP

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OUR MISSION
To bring people to salvation in Jesus Christ and disciple them in their relationship with Christ.

OUR VISION
To be a church that is passionate about God, transformed by the Word, authentic in relationship, and bold in witness.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude	
Call to Worship	The Lord Is in His Holy Temple
Opening Song	MH93 Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken
Opening Prayer	
Worship in Song	MH258 There Is a Fountain His Robes for Mine
Responsive Reading	Psalms 85:1-8 (KJV)
Giving and Thanksgiving	Press On
Doxology	
Scripture Reading	Acts 21:1-16 (ESV)
Pre-Sermon Song	There Is One Gospel
Pastoral Prayer	
Sermon	<i>What Godly Zeal Looks Like (2)</i>
Closing Song	Our God Will Go Before Us
Benediction	Threefold Amen

Month of August Preaching Schedule

4 Aug “The Need for Righteous Living” (Zc. 7).
11 Aug “What Shall I Do, Lord?” (Ac. 22).
18 Aug “Take Courage” (Ac. 23).
25 Aug “Bearing Witness” (Ac. 24).

Sunday Worship & Activities

9.30am Main Service 10.00am Junior Worship (7-12 yrs old) 11.30am Bible Classes

10 THINGS THE CHURCH CAN LEARN ABOUT MISSIONS FROM JESUS, PETER, AND PAUL

By Eckhard J. Schnabel

There are some clear patterns in the ministries of Jesus, Peter, and Paul that remain instructive for our missionary efforts. Here are 10 things we can learn from them.

1. The will of God and the will of Jesus is foundational to missionary work.

Jesus's actions were motivated by the will of God the Father who sent him (Matt. 10:40; John 4:34). His "food" was to do the will of him who sent him into the world (John 4:34). Peter was called and sent out by Jesus, a mission that included the prediction of martyrdom (Mark 3:14; Matt. 10:1, 5; John 21:17–19). Paul's missionary work was also predicated on God's gracious call and commission by Jesus the Messiah to proclaim him among Jews and Gentiles (Gal. 1:15–16; Acts 9:6, 15–16).

2. The mission of the church is focused on Jesus, the crucified and risen Messiah and Savior.

The four Gospels focus their narratives on Jesus's last week in Jerusalem, climaxing in his death and resurrection. Peter asserts that Jesus bore our sins in his body on the cross "that we might die to sin and live to righteousness" (1 Pet. 2:24). Paul doesn't boast "except in the cross" of our Lord Jesus through which the world has been crucified

3. Missionary work is also focused on the forgiveness of sins.

Jesus's service as the divine Son of Man is focused on giving his life as a ransom (Mark 10:45). Peter exhorts thousands of diaspora Jews who were visiting Jerusalem, and the local population, that they must repent and be baptized "in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins" (Acts 2:38). Paul explains to the Jews in Pisidian Antioch that "through this man forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to [them], and by him everyone who believes is freed from everything from which [they] could not be freed by the law of Moses" (Acts 13:38–39).

4. The oral proclamation of the gospel is the central action of missionary work. Jesus's verbal explanation of the presence of the kingdom of God takes precedence over the miracles he performed. When Peter and John are commanded to refrain from speaking in the name of Jesus, they insist they're bound to listen to God because they can't keep from speaking of what they've seen and heard (Acts 4:20). Paul emphasizes the primacy of "word and deed. (Rom. 15:18–19).

5. Missionaries are dependent on the power of God, the power of the Spirit, and the power of Jesus the Messiah.

Jesus drives out demons by the finger of God (Luke 11:20). The missionary proclamation of Peter and the Twelve from Jerusalem to Judea and Samaria and to the ends of the earth is empowered by the Holy Spirit whom God the Father promised and whom Jesus sends (Acts 1:8).

When Paul asserts he won't venture to speak of anything except what the Messiah has accomplished through him to win obedience from the Gentiles, by word and deed (Rom 15:18), he affirms the efficacy of Jesus in his missionary proclamation and pastoral exhortation.

6. The primary strategy of missionary work consists in proclaiming God's revelation in Jesus to all people without exceptions.

Jesus interacted with men and women, adults and children, pious Pharisees and lawless sinners, learned scribes and the demon-possessed (Mark 1:21–34; 2:13–17; 5:1–43). Peter explained the significance of Jesus to diaspora Jews visiting Jerusalem, to the citizens of Jerusalem, the members of the Sanhedrin, Judeans, Samaritans, and a military commander in Caesarea (Acts 2:14–41; 4:1–12; 10:34–48). Paul proclaimed the gospel to Jews and polytheists, Greeks and barbarians, men and women, the educated and the uneducated (Rom. 1:14; 1 Cor. 9:19–23).

7. Tactical decisions concerning the geographical location or ethnic focus of missionary work often follow existing opportunities and outside pressures.

Jesus visited Gentile areas to be alone with his disciples, yet he ministered to Gentiles when the occasion demanded it (Mark 7:24–30). Peter went to Caesarea where he was instrumental in the conversion of a Roman military officer after being prompted by the Lord not to regard Gentiles as unclean (Acts 10:1–11:18).

Paul was repeatedly forced to leave cities on account of strong local opposition, opening up new areas for the proclamation of the gospel.

8. Missionaries travel as they seek to proclaim the gospel in cities, towns, and villages.

Jesus didn't wait for people to come to him: he took initiative and traveled to the hamlets, villages, and towns of Galilee (Mark 6:56) and, on occasion, to Jerusalem. Peter was active in Jerusalem, in the towns of Lydda and Joppa, and in Samaritan villages (Acts 8:14–25; 9:32–43). Paul traveled throughout the regions and provinces of the northern Mediterranean proclaiming the gospel in towns such as Pisidian Antioch, Lystra, Iconium, and Derbe, and large urban centers such as Antioch in Syria and Ephesus in the province of Asia, as well as smaller villages.

9. Missionaries work in teams.

Jesus called the Twelve whom he trained to fish for people (Mark 1:17), sending them out two by two (Mark 6:7). Peter and John seem to have formed a team in Jerusalem and Samaria (Acts 3:1; 4:1; 8:14–25). Paul surrounded himself with coworkers, especially Timothy and Titus.

10. Missionaries never glorify themselves; they always glorify God.

Jesus asserts that if he glorifies himself, his glory means nothing, as it's God the Father who glorifies him (John 8:54). Peter is concerned that believers who speak the Word of God and serve the congregation glorify God in all things through Jesus because to him "belong glory and dominion forever and ever" (1 Pet. 4:11).

The expansion of Paul's mission means that the Word of the Lord is glorified everywhere (2 Thess. 3:1) as new and old believers are committed to the one God and Father of all "who is over all and through all and in all" (Eph. 4:6).

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