

Sunday worship

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We warmly welcome you, if you are worshipping with us for the first time. We believe you've become a member of our church family by God's grace.

Please ensure you speak to the Pastor or one of today's facilitators before you leave.

May God bless you richly (Amen).

VERSE(S) OF THE DAY

For ever since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through His workmanship [all His creation, the wonderful things that He has made].

Romans 1:20a (AMP)

THEME FOR THE YEAR

Faith in action (2 Thessalonians 1:11)

We're trusting God to enable us to do all the good things faith prompts in us in Jesus name (NLT).

DID YOU KNOW?

Every Sunday, we worship together at **Unit 13, Skylines Village**. When unable to attend, do visit our website or YouTube channel for recorded sessions.

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WEEKLY SERVICES & MEETINGS

SUNDAY

Thanksgiving / Worship
service
From 10am

FRIDAY

Prayer meeting / Bible study
From 7pm

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There's more! Details of events and outreach will almost certainly be available from relevant pages on our website and updated regularly, along with downloadable copies of our Sunday bulletins (<http://rccgbethel.church/category/bulletins/>).

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1. Open the browser and the **Settings** menu (or the **three vertical dots** to the right of the menu bar).
2. Scroll down and click on **Advanced Settings**.
3. Select **Open a specific page or set of pages** under **On Startup**.
4. Select **Set pages** and enter or add <http://rccgbethel.church/>.

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1. Open Firefox. Press **Alt-T** on the keyboard and select **Options** from the drop-down menu or go to **Tools >> Options** from the main menu.
2. In the **Home** section, select **Homepage and new windows** and **Custom URLs...** from the field's drop down.
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2. Select **Settings** and select **A Specific Page or Pages** from the **Open Microsoft Edge With** section drop down options.
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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

God's precious promises (Part III)

Text: 1 John 2:15-17 / 2 Peter 1:2-4

We've been talking about the things that God has given us, now exploring his precious promises. We now know we cannot make him keep those promises and no one can change them (Gen 17:18-21). He's the only one that can guarantee them (Heb 6:13; 17) and we that are products of God's promise to Abraham are also recipients of those promises (Rom 11:16-17).

Crucially, his promises give us the opportunity for us to share in his divine nature (2 Pet 1:4) and the truth is we need to have God's divine nature to enjoy eternity with God (Gen 3:20-24; 6:1-3). Divine nature is defined in some concordance as **"the sum of the innate properties and powers by which one person differs from others; their distinctive native peculiarities."**

Instead of being transformed and sharing in his nature (2 Cor 3:18), we often try to make God like us, to share in our nature (Psa 50:21 NIV). Wild animals like lions or bears are sometimes trained to be pets. However, those are no longer behaving in their essential predatory nature. Likewise, we attribute human nature to man. A more worthy pursuit will be to take on God's nature.

Christianity is not about incremental goodness. It's not about being a better version of ourselves. When God changes us, we must be born again anew, like Jesus told Nicodemus (Jn 3:1-15). A transformation takes place within us and old things must pass away (2 Cor 5:17). Just like we can't tame a beast like the Leviathan, whose nature is untameable (Job 41:1-11), so we must become something that the darkness fears when we take on God's divine nature (Jn 1:5; see also 1 Kn 8:12; Psa 18:9-12).

However, something in God's nature tell us who he is and that's his name. We call him Elohim, Jehovah-Jireh, Jehovah-Rapha and so on, through demonstrations and our experiences of his nature. Jesus said he bore the same nature as his father (Jn 5:24-26) and Paul affirms that the spirit of Christ lives in us (Rom 8:10-11). Therefore, whatever God can do, we're capable of doing it too. However, being capable of doing something and doing it are two different things.

For example, Moses always had a rod (staff). It's purpose until God touched it with his divine power was to guide his sheep (Exo 4:2-5; 2 Pet 1:3). Now, it's become something powerful enough in his hand, enough to part the red sea (Exo 14:15-16). To Moses, it was and remained just a rod or staff until God prompted him to remember the divine power it possesses.

Bottom line:

We're capable of so much more than we are right now. Don't try to make God like you. You must take on his divine nature. If you do and believe in God's promises, you will do greater things than he's done (Jn 14:12) and there are no limits because God has no limits (1 Cor 2:9).

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