

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

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.

1 Peter 5:8 (NKJV)

THEME FOR THE YEAR

Year of opportunities

John 4:35-38 AMP

"For in this case the saying is true, 'One [person] sows and another reaps.'" ~ **John 4:37 (AMP)**.

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.

God has a plan for your life and so does the devil. Whose plan will you choose to live out?

Be careful
who you trust

THE DEVIL
DISGUISES HIMSELF AS AN
ANGEL OF LIGHT

THE MASTER OF "DISGUISE"
HE COMES IN...MANY FORMS...
"THE GREAT DECEIVER" OF MANKIND
"THE EVIL ONE"



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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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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

The devil's alternative

Text: Isaiah 36:13-17

In our text today, Israel was given an alternative that is contrary to God's promise to them (Ex 3:8; 16-17; Num 13:17-27). For every promise of God, there's an alternative. Jesus came to suffer and redeem God's people. Choosing any of the alternatives presented to him by the devil could've derailed that goal (Matt 4:3-10).

After Ruth's husband died, she could've gone back to her people and stick with what she knew (Ruth 1:6-16). So could Abraham, when God sent away from his relatives (Gen 12:1-3). A temporal path may yield immediate rewards, but God's path promises eternal reward (Prov 14:12; Lk 10:42). Of the many ways ahead of each of us at every step, it is important to find the paths pre-ordained by God.

Judas settled for the alternative and chose the path of thirty pieces of silver (Jn 13:27). By the time he realised, it was too late (Matt 27:3-5). When Esau gave away his birthright and instead chose instant gratification because he was hungry, he didn't know that was what he was doing at the time and how it was going impact his future (Gen 25:27-34). We must do everything to avoid The Esau pattern.

Paths chosen by God may not be clear at first. It may even not make sense or seem logical. It may not be easy and could be full of challenges, but we've no way of knowing how God's going to do what he said he would do. For example, Abraham faced challenges, but God was with him all the way. Likewise, Ruth chose the uncertain path fraught with potential hardship, but there was grace at every step.

When Jesus sent the disciples out, he gave them the ability to accomplish what he called them to do (Matt 10:1-42). Know that God already prepared a place for each of us (Jn 14:1-4). God's plan is always fully resourced and perfect. We just need to trust him and take that first step of faith, because paths that may seem right at first could be from the devil (Prov 14:12).

The enemy will point out gaps in God's plan and sow seeds of doubt in our minds. But when we step outside of God's plan, we only hurt ourselves (Acts 26:14; Heb 10:26-39; Rom 8:14). God will always walk with us along the way (2 Cor 4:17). Know and listen for his voice (Jn 10:1-5) and understand that God's blessings are spiritual when we use it according to his purpose, to help others (Prov 10:22).

Bottom line:

Every time we face a choice, we must ask if it's God's plan or the devil's alternative. Examine your life today. Whose purpose are you fulfilling? What plan of God for your life have you discarded? Seek God's face now and return to those plans.

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