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We, at BTPC, are committed to love God and to glorify our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ through the Holy Spirit by building one another up in God's word, serving one another in love and, being united in praying and proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ; working together for the salvation of souls and the edification of Christians through the teaching of God's word and the preaching of the gospel.

Saved Together In Christ

⁹ Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. ¹⁰ For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost." - Luke 19:9-10

Service Order —

Opening Prayer (Denzel Low)

Song 1: Day of Judgement

Welcoming Time

Responsive Reading: Psalm 80:1-7,12-19

Confession & Corporate Prayer

Song 2: How empty lies the city

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Scripture Reading: Lamentations 2 (1st service: Pauline; 2nd service: Angie Ng)

Sermon: From Grief to Prayer – Punishment. Pain. Petition (Pastor Andrew Wong)

Discussion/Reflection Time

Song 3: O Lord the clouds are gathering

Financial Giving & Offerings

Announcements

Closing Prayer & Benediction

Scripture Passage –

Lamentations 2 (New International Version)

1

[a] How the Lord has covered Daughter Zion with the cloud of his anger[b]!He has hurled down the splendor of Israel from heaven to earth;he has not remembered his footstool in the day of his anger.

2

Without pity the Lord has swallowed up all the dwellings of Jacob; in his wrath he has torn down the strongholds of Daughter Judah. He has brought her kingdom and its princes down to the ground in dishonor.

3

In fierce anger he has cut off
every horn[c][d] of Israel.

He has withdrawn his right hand
at the approach of the enemy.

He has burned in Jacob like a flaming fire
that consumes everything around it.

4

Like an enemy he has strung his bow; his right hand is ready. Like a foe he has slain all who were pleasing to the eye;

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he has poured out his wrath like fire on the tent of Daughter Zion.

5

The Lord is like an enemy;
he has swallowed up Israel.
He has swallowed up all her palaces
and destroyed her strongholds.
He has multiplied mourning and lamentation
for Daughter Judah.

6

He has laid waste his dwelling like a garden; he has destroyed his place of meeting.
The Lord has made Zion forget her appointed festivals and her Sabbaths; in his fierce anger he has spurned both king and priest.

7

The Lord has rejected his altar and abandoned his sanctuary.

He has given the walls of her palaces into the hands of the enemy; they have raised a shout in the house of the Lord as on the day of an appointed festival.

8

The Lord determined to tear down the wall around Daughter Zion.

He stretched out a measuring line and did not withhold his hand from destroying. He made ramparts and walls lament; together they wasted away.

9

Her gates have sunk into the ground;
their bars he has broken and destroyed.
Her king and her princes are exiled among the nations,
the law is no more,
and her prophets no longer find
visions from the Lord.

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The elders of Daughter Zion sit on the ground in silence; they have sprinkled dust on their heads and put on sackcloth.

The young women of Jerusalem

The young women of Jerusalem have bowed their heads to the ground.

11

My eyes fail from weeping,
I am in torment within;
my heart is poured out on the ground
because my people are destroyed,
because children and infants faint
in the streets of the city.

12

They say to their mothers,

"Where is bread and wine?"
as they faint like the wounded
in the streets of the city,
as their lives ebb away
in their mothers' arms.

13

What can I say for you?
With what can I compare you,
Daughter Jerusalem?
To what can I liken you,
that I may comfort you,
Virgin Daughter Zion?
Your wound is as deep as the sea.
Who can heal you?

14

The visions of your prophets were false and worthless; they did not expose your sin to ward off your captivity.

The prophecies they gave you were false and misleading.

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All who pass your way

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clap their hands at you; they scoff and shake their heads at Daughter Jerusalem: "Is this the city that was called the perfection of beauty, the joy of the whole earth?"

16

All your enemies open their mouths wide against you; they scoff and gnash their teeth and say, "We have swallowed her up. This is the day we have waited for; we have lived to see it."

17

The Lord has done what he planned;
he has fulfilled his word,
which he decreed long ago.
He has overthrown you without pity,
he has let the enemy gloat over you,
he has exalted the horn[e] of your foes.

18

The hearts of the people cry out to the Lord.
You walls of Daughter Zion, let your tears flow like a river day and night; give yourself no relief, your eyes no rest.

19

Arise, cry out in the night,
as the watches of the night begin;
pour out your heart like water
in the presence of the Lord.
Lift up your hands to him
for the lives of your children,
who faint from hunger
at every street corner.

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"Look, Lord, and consider:
Whom have you ever treated like this?
Should women eat their offspring,
the children they have cared for?
Should priest and prophet be killed
in the sanctuary of the Lord?

21

"Young and old lie together
in the dust of the streets;
my young men and young women
have fallen by the sword.
You have slain them in the day of your anger;
you have slaughtered them without pity.

22

"As you summon to a feast day,
so you summoned against me terrors on every side.
In the day of the Lord's anger
no one escaped or survived;
those I cared for and reared
my enemy has destroyed."

Footnotes

- a. Lamentations 2:1 This chapter is an acrostic poem, the verses of which begin with the successive letters of the Hebrew alphabet.
- b. Lamentations 2:1 Or How the Lord in his anger / has treated Daughter Zion with contempt
- c. Lamentations 2:3 Or off / all the strength; or every king
- d. Lamentations 2:3 Horn here symbolizes strength.
- e. Lamentations 2:17 Horn here symbolizes strength.

- Sermon Outline -

Lamentations 2 From Grief to Prayer – Punishment. Pain. Petition

Introduction

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1. Punishment Depicted (vv.1-10) 2. Pain Reflected (vv.11-17) 3. Petition Presented (vv.18-22) **Application** Add notes **Email My Notes EMAIL ADDRESS** your@email.com RECEIVE: MY NOTES + ORIGINAL NOTES MY NOTES ONLY

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Discussion/Reflection Questions

- 1. Why is it important to know God's character through the bible and pray on the promises/covenant he has given us?
- 2. How is praying to the God revealed in the bible different from praying to an unknown god or so-called universe)?

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Financial Giving

An opportunity for regulars to have the privilege to partake in this gospel ministry through giving

Latest Announcements

Upcoming & Ongoing Events and Notices

Morning Tea

Please join us for some light refreshments at the basement canteen. Morning tea is from 11 am to 11.30 am.

- * There is a basketball court and sheltered area for the children to play.
- ** Please avoid the field for safety purposes, as it is used by an archery group every Sunday.



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