



LENT 4 SUNDAY

Weekly
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God Celebrates Your Return to Him

And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.'[b] 22 But the father said to his servants,[c] 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. 23 And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. 24 For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to celebrate.

Luke 15:21-24 ESV

Today's Question

What speaks to you
from this passage?

Reflection

Scripture readings: Joshua 5:9-12; Psalm 32; 2 Corinthians 5:16-21; Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Tears of the Father

—Henri Nouwen,
<https://henrinouwen.org>

PRAYER of the week

**Lord Jesus,
Help me to
believe in
Your love and
trust in Your
full
acceptance.
Amen**



The father in the story of the prodigal son suffered much. He saw his younger son leave, knowing the disappointments, rejections and abuses facing him. He saw his older son become angry and bitter, and was unable to offer him affection and support. A large part of the father's life has been waiting. He could not force his younger son to come home or his older son to let go of his resentments. Only they themselves could take the initiative to return.

During these long years of waiting the father cried many tears and died many deaths. He was emptied out by suffering. But that emptiness had created a place of welcome for his sons when the time of their return came. We are called to become like that father.



**Intercession is always
about the land.**
(c.f. Ezekiel 22:30)
Suzette Hattingh

The Church (Body of Christ)

Father, we forsake idolatry and seek first Your kingdom and all Your righteousness,
In our relationships with each other, may love be our priority. May we make all effort to be united as one Body in Your plans and purposes and the bond of peace.
Your voice we will hear and not the voice of another. At all times, teach us by Your Spirit to walk in obedience to You, serving You with a clear conscience to act justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly with our God.
Your kingdom come, Your will be done. Amen

Nations

World

For the Russia-Ukraine conflict

Malaysia

For Malaysia's economic stability, food security - that the supply chain won't be disrupted, justice in financial decisions by BNM.
For the pandemic to end, and healing for the nations & the earth. Amen.

Righteousness & Freedom

For the love of truth, justice, mercy, righteousness and humility to be the foundations of our nation and its inhabitants.
For the judiciary system to remain free and committed to establishing justice and truth for both the individual and the land.
For the protection of freedom of personal choices and rights of the people; minority or at large - to be respected, upheld and honored.

Justice & Truth

Remembering Pr. Raymond Koh, Joshua & Ruth Hilmy, Amri CM as well as others who have suffered injustices; pray that enforced disappearances be criminalised. for the legal teams, judges and all who continues to stand courageously for justice and truth.
Father, may Your mercy and righteousness visit us as the early and latter rain. Amen.

BLC Community

Pray for healing for those are affected by Covid or who are unwell in our community.
Pray for provision of those affected by inflation.

Pray for growth in youths, children, marriages and families as they support each other in the journey of faith and knowing Christ.

Prayer Support

SUPPORTING YOU IN PRAYER.

Send in your requests via
WhatsApp to Rt. Rev. Thomas,
Adeline or our Council.

LCM

Lord, we ask for Your wisdom and discernment, healing and health and provision for workers in the harvest field.

Pray for good health and growth for those under the care of Touching Hearts Ministry, Rumah Love & Care Kajang (for elderly) & the children's homes.

Announcements

Upcoming:

16 April
WEW via Zoom at 3pm
Speak with Sheh=Ren is
interested.

Tuesday Bible Study

8:30pm weekly
Speak with Janelle if interested.

MEM

30 March, 13&27 April
8.30pm, Wednesdays

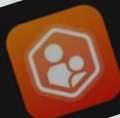
Giving Tree

8.15pm, Fridays
Speak with Larry if interested.

Friday Bible Study

For more info, please speak
with Ling Ling.

Good stuff: Prayer App for Families
Tap icon below for more info.



Lectio for Families
24-7 Prayer

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