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and obstinate character. Surely that king wore a most unworthy crown.

On the other hand, we see a child raised in the slum or ghetto. Poor in circumstances and devoid of inheritance, he is compensated by a rich endowment of wisdom. Who then has more honour, this poor boy or the foolish king? Do you not see the lad as a pearl rising out of the dust and the king sinking into inglorious obscurity? Honour is where it is found, in youth and poverty. Real worth is not in outward pomp but in inner worth. From many a ragged home may emerge the richest gifts of moral and spiritual wealth — better than a monarch's crown. God took Joseph out of prison and elevated him to the highest post. So with Daniel. True and lasting honour is with the man of God.

THE UNSEARCHABLE RICHES OF CHRIST

My dear reader, what is your heart's desire? Choose life and honour and riches! From the prison house of sin, and from the bondage of Satan, Christ is able to deliver you and raise you up and make you sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus (Eph 2:6). This is the Gospel.

By faith in Him, the only begotten Son of God, you will be made partaker of His inheritance and have a part in the unsearchable riches of Christ (Eph. 3:8). Therein is the true honour.

QUIZ Which would you rather be: a millionaire of 60 or a scholar of 16? *Think!*

PRAYER Teach me to seek the approval of God, not the honour of men.

3. IN THE WORLD ENVY AND STRIFE (James 3:13-16; Ecclesiastes 4:15-16)

In today's reading we backtrack to reconsider verse 4 and gain a valuable lesson. With penetrating insight, Solomon diagnoses a deep malady of society: Unprovoked envy and hostility. Here is a man engaged in honest labour working hard with hands. He is not afraid of the grind or the grime. His mind is set on his work. He was, as one might say, minding his own business.

Then on to the scene enters his neighbour, a trouble-maker and busybody. He is provoked by the first man's industry and his steady advancement. His evil mind will not rest, although his hands love to rest from his own necessary work. His own character suffers by comparison. He says within himself, "This will not do. He must not outstrip me." Where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work (James 3:16). From then on, there is no peace.

Lord Bacon has this to say: "A man that hath no virtue in himself ever envieth virtue in others; for men's mind will either feed upon their own evil, or upon other's good. And who wanteth the one will prey upon the other; and who is out of hope to attain to another's virtue, will seek to come at even hand by depressing another's fortune."

In society, then, the good honest man is faced with the prospect of being envied and hated by those whom he outshines. Same with the Christian, so that even godliness may provoke an evil response. If our goodness condemns the world, is it any wonder if the world hate us?

IN CHRIST RIGHTEOUSNESS AND PEACE

In the society of believers, envying and strife ought to have no place. As children of the Father, let us strive our utmost to be like Him, "*who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners ...*" (Heb 7: 26) Let us seek earnestly the wisdom from above which is "*first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be entreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy*" (James 3:17).

Dear reader, recall our Lord's words, to love our neighbour as ourselves. "*Love worketh no ill to his neighbour*" (Rom 13:10).

QUIZ: What good or ill have you done to your neighbour?

PRAYER Lord crucified, give me a heart like Thine.

God bless you dear readers.

*Yours faithfully in the Saviour's Service,
Dr SH Tow, Founding Pastor*



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of the Righteous" (Psalm 1:6)

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My dear readers,

*(Extracts from RPG Workbook Vol III No. 12,
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1. TWO ARE BETTER THAN ONE (LUKE 10:1-9; ECCLESIASTES 4:9-12)

Solitary selfishness breeds misery repugnant to true Christianity. On the other hand there is much virtue in paired partnership. "*Two are better than one,*" so says the wise king. We cite several grounds for this statement.

Two persons will find more happiness jointly than either could find separately. Two labourers in the Lord's vineyard will accomplish more in shorter time and with more joy than for each to labour alone. In 1950 two young men, converts of Dr John Sung during the revivals of the thirties, covenanted with the Lord to labour for His Kingdom. With a handful of believers forming a nucleus, they founded the Bible-Presbyterian Church of Singapore and Malaysia. Today their efforts, augmented by many fellow labourers whom God has raised within their number, have led to the establishment of over forty separated fundamental churches and groups in ASEAN (Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, Thailand, Philippines, Brunei). Could they have achieved the same had each laboured alone? The Lord is their strength. "*How should one chase a thousand, and two put ten thousand to flight, except their Rock had sold them, and the LORD had shut them up?*" (Deut 32:30)

In Christian service, then, there is much merit to work in pairs. In April 1984, Calvary BP Church in Singapore inaugurated Gospel teams

of two to go out witnessing at least once a month, and individually to speak to someone about the Lord at least once a week. This is of course patterned after the Lord's example, sending the seventy two by two into the harvest field (Lk 10).

Then there is the divine institution of marriage from the beginning of the Creation. By this sacred bond "two shall be one flesh," an endearing, loving and life-long partnership ordained of God for man's happiness on earth. But alas! the hardness of the heart and the unbridled lust of the flesh have brought about a rampant epidemic of easy divorce, with consequent disruption and disintegration of society. It was not so in the beginning.

QUIZ: What is the answer to easy divorce?

PRAYER: Lord, save Thy people from the lust of sex.

2. HONOUR OR WEALTH? COMMONER OR KING? (JAMES 2:1-6; ECCLESIASTES 4:13-14)

Had you the choice, which would you have: honour or wealth? Solomon here affixes the stamp upon honour — man's highest condition. But what is honour? Men commonly equate it with high position and royalty, but this assessment is not always true. The example in today's text is of a king, regal with his crown, but foolish in his head. He had probably ascended to the throne without any fitness to reign, and persisting in his folly he refused advice. A man who lacks innate wisdom and yet declines counsel without a doubt bears the mark of a fool. '*Old and foolish*' speaks of a feeble mind

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A very warm welcome to visitors and friends in the name of
our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ

PANDAN FACTS & FIGURES

Ring Pastor Quek 6650 8489; Mobile - 9671 9310 any time; Email - suanyew@gmail.com

9.50 am Pre-Service Prayer Meeting: Main Sanctuary Cry Room
Today: Elder Ko Swee Chay; **N/W:** Rev Dr Quek Suan Yew

10.15 am Pre-Service Singspiration: Today: Adrian Ho; **N/W:** Dn Chia Chung Seng

10.30 am Lord's Day

Today: Worship Leaders : Elder Ko Swee Chay / * Dn Eugene Goh
Speaker : Rev Dr Quek Suan Yew
Message : Hear My Cry, O God – Psalm 17:1-15

N/W: (L/S) Worship Leaders : Rev Dr Quek Suan Yew / * Dn Leong Chee Meng
Speaker : Rev Dr Quek Suan Yew
Message : The LORD Delivers His Own – Psalm 18:1-19

Last Week's (6 May) Attendances and Offerings

English Worship	10.30 am	1078
Junior Worship		128
Mandarin Worship	8.00 am	163
Mandarin JW		15
SGH	6.00 pm	801
Prayer Meeting (Tues)	8.15 pm	117

Lord's Day Activities

Junior Worship 11.15am to 12.15pm
 Pre-school: 2-3 years old, Tiny Tots room #04-03
 4 years old, Nursery room (ground floor, next to stage)
 5-6 years old, Kindergarten rooms (ground floor)
 Primary 7-12 years old, JW Sanctuary #02-03

Indonesian Bible Study 11.15 am -12.15 pm, Room #04-04 (CMC Room)
 6.00 pm - 7.00 pm, Room #04-06 (1st Saturday)

Myanmar Bible Study 11.15 am -12.15 pm, Room #02-12 (Kindergarten Computer Rm)

Basic Bible Knowledge 12.15 pm - 1.15 pm, JW Sanctuary #02-03
Today: Lesson 18: False Teachings in the Church
N/W: Lesson 19: The Return of Jesus Christ
 i/c Rev Dr Quek Suan Yew

Adult Bible Classes (ABC) 12.15pm - 1.15pm
 Rooms #02-05-07 (Book of Obadiah) - Eld Chew Chong Kiat
 Main Sanctuary (Book of 1 Kings) - Eld Ko SC / Dn Yap Wai Ho
 Cry Room (Gospel of Matthew) - Eld Goh KT / Eld Lee KS

Teens' Meeting 12.15 pm - 1.15 pm, JW Annex, #02-04

Young People Discn 12.15 pm - 1.15 pm, New Sanctuary Cry Room, Level 3
 (17-23 years old)

AV Library 12.15 pm -1.15 pm, Room #02-02

Library 12.15 pm -1.30 pm, Room #03-04

NS Prayer Meeting 1.15pm – 1.45pm, Room #03-06 (P2 Classroom)

Choir 1.30 pm - 4.00 pm, Main Sanctuary (#02-08)

Tracting 2.00 pm, Main Sanctuary Cry Room
 (2nd & 4th week)

SGH Children Ministry 6.00 pm, Nursery room (ground floor, next to stage)
 (4 - 9 years old)

Lord's Day Duties

	13 May	20 May
Musicians <i>Morning</i>	Ong Su Ling / Lois Teo	Ong Su Ling / Rachel Han
	<i>SGH (6 pm)</i> Michelle Chiang / Elizabeth Tan	Eileen Poh / Lim Zhongyan
Greeters	Dn Chia Chung Seng & Lenny	Dorothy & Evangeline Chiang
Welcomers	John Fong & family	Peter & Sharon Chung
Welcomers (Session)	Dn Simon Chua	Elder Goh Kee Tai
	Dn Adrian Poh	Dn Tan Choon Keng
Lunch Coupon Sale	Michael LB Lim & family	Rayson & Sukling Hazra
Ushers	Steven Lee, Woon Chin, Nam Moon, Dn Lim Ah Sang, Joe Chan, Liem Seng, Andrew Tay, Joseph Lok, SKY, Chee Weng, Kum Luen, Edgar Teo, Wei Jun, Yee Shen	Steven Lee, Whye Mun, Philip Fang, Ming Kin, Timothy Tan, John Fong, Eng Cheow, Tye Law, Bo Thong, Ernest Chan, Mark Woo, Saravanan, Ray Tan, Joel Koh YAF
Kitchen Duty	Henry Ko & family Ho Wei Keong & family Patrick & Josephine Lim Ming Kin & Shevaun Connie Ng, Annette Lee	
SGH Singspiration	Elder Chew Chong Kiat	Elder Chew Chong Kiat
SGH Ushers	Woon Chin, Nam Moon, Dn Lim Ah Sang, Philip Fang, Joe Chan, Ray Tan, Mark Woo, Daniel Goh, Michael Yip	Bo Thong, Whye Mun, Pak Heng, Cheong Hup, Swee Fong, Jimmy Lee, Dr Khor Beng Lee, Raymond Lee
SGH Greeters	Truth BPC	Yak Kin, Jenny & family
SGH Welcomers /	Amy Ang & Soh Poh Choo	Heng Khuan & Christine
Dinner Coupon Sales		
SGH Kitchen Duty	Truth BPC	Bo Thong, Raymond Lee

Activities for the week (14 - 19 May)

Tues 8.15 pm **PRAYER MEETING:** Sanctuary, 2nd level, i/c Rev Dr Quek Suan Yew

Wed 1.30 pm **LADIES' BIBLE STUDY:** Lounge, Rm #02-14 (left of Tabernacle Bkrm)
 Book of James Pastor Quek Suan Yew

Thurs 1.30 pm **LADIES' FELLOWSHIP:** Lounge, Rm #02-14 (left of Tabernacle Bkrm)
 Proofs of Christ's Resurrection (John 20:1-31) Pastor Quek Suan Yew

Fri 9.00 am **PANDAN MOTHER'S GROUP:** Church Lounge (#02-14)
 The Family Altar Sister Julie Chew
 For enquiries, please call Cindy (97120084) / Eileen Poh (94235443) / Chui Yin
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8.00 pm **HELPMEEET CG** meets in the home of Sister Irene Tham. Add: 134B Hillview
 Ave #04-06, Hilltop Grove. S669621
 Be Watchful, An Open Door and Lukewarm! Pastor Quek Suan Yew
 (Revelation 3)
 All ladies are welcome! Please contact Winnie (90434053) or Rachel (96652477)
 for more details.

- Sat 2.30 pm **CMC** (Calvary Mission to Children)
 5.00 - **YOUTH FELLOWSHIP Cryroom**, New Sanctuary, Level 3
 8.30 pm **Earnestly Contending (Jude)** - Preacher Ko Lingkang
 The Fruits of Apostasy (Jude 12-13)
 Do contact Pr Joshua @ 9190 4677 or Dn Adrian Poh @ 90305803 if you have any queries!
- 5.00 pm **SENIOR ADULTS FELLOWSHIP**: Main Sanctuary, Level 2
 The Armour of God 3: Gospel of Peace Preacher Joshua Yong
 (Ephesians 6:15)
All are welcome to attend and join us for dinner fellowship after the meeting

News & Announcements

- Last week's LOVE GIFTS TO DESIGNATED OFFERINGS: \$5,022.00**
Bethel DC-Chiang Rai 50=\$50.00; **Bethel DC-Warunee** 50=\$50.00; **Bible Witness** 100=\$100.00; **CMC** 50+100=\$150.00; **AV Library** 50=\$50.00; **CPBPC-Bldg/Reno Fund** 800=\$800.00; **Eben Yoon** 100=\$100.00; **Koh KH's mother-in-law** 50=\$50.00; **FEBC** 550+40+250+30+50=\$920.00; **Joshua Yong** 50=\$50.00; **Ko Ling Kang** 100=\$100.00; **Lim Wee Chian, Eric** 100=\$100.00; **Ling Soon Ing -Sibu** 100+50=\$150.00; **Peter Yoksan & family** 100+50+30=\$180.00; **Pontianak-Zakharria** 100=\$100.00; **Pontianak, Kalimantan** 100+50+102=\$252.00; **Quek Suan Yew** 10=\$10.00; **RPG-English/Chinese** 10+50+150+10+10+200=\$430.00; **Sibu BPC** 50=\$50.00; **Tow Siang Hwa, Dr** 50=\$50.00; **Rajan-Kathmandu BPC, Nepal** 200=\$200.00; **Yian Chee Hoo & Kathy-Baby Grace** 50+30=\$80.00; **Others:** \$1000
- DESIGNATED OFFERING GUIDELINES** -- In light of the pervasive falling away in the last days, and to protect CPBPC's stand on holiness and obedience to the doctrine of biblical separation, the BOE has decided that any future designated offering to person or churches or ministries or groups that are unbiblical will be redirected to the general fund, from 5th November 2017 onwards.
- LENTOR RESIDENCE** - The teens will be ministering at Lentor Residence **today**. Anyone who wishes to minister as well is most welcome. Bus will leave Church at 1.45pm sharp.

<p>JW ANNUAL FAMILY DAY</p> <p>Topic: The Christian Family Speaker: Rev Quek Venue: Main sanctuary Date: 20 May 2018 (Sunday) Time: End of morning worship to 2pm (including lunch) After the message, please join us for lunch in the kindergarten rooms for a time of fellowship and parent-teacher interaction.</p>	<p>HFMDALERT</p> <p>Due to a spike in the number of HFMD cases in Singapore, we urge parents to help by not sending their children to JW classes if he/she has fever. Also, check for mouth ulcers and red spots on palms and feet.</p> <p>This measure, together with temperature taking now in place for Tiny Tots and soon for Nursery and Kindy classes, will serve as precautionary measures to minimize the spread of HFMD.</p>
<p>SUNSET GOSPEL HOUR (SGH) Theme: "Know Your Saviour!"</p>	
<p>13 May (6.00 pm) Topic: "I Am the Bread of Life" - John 6:32-40 Preacher: Rev Dr Prabhudas Koshy Chairman: Elder Ko Swee Chay</p>	<p>20 May (6.00 pm) "I Am The Light of the World" - John 8:1-12 Preacher Joshua Yong Elder Lee Kong Sing</p>

- THE BOE CONGRATULATES AND REJOICES** with Bng Teng Ho (CertRK), Foo Siew Wei Cecilia (CertRK), Kwa Lye Huat Harry (CertRK), Kaylene Loke Chi-Yen (CertRK), Tim Yap Ming En (CertRK); Aw Choy Foong (CertBS), Lim Lian Boh Michael (CertBS); Pek How Sian Vincent (DipTh); Elder Choong Sin Chun (MDiv) on the successful completion of their studies in FEBC. May they continue to serve the Lord faithfully and study His holy and perfect Word.
- CHURCH CAMP 2018** - Please note that we will start banking campers' cheques from 13 May 2018 onwards. Please contact pandancamp@gmail.com if there are any queries.
- DROP OFF BEFORE MWS** -- To worshippers who take Taxis, Uber & Grab to Morning Worship Service, we seek your understanding to alight outside the church gate. With double-parking, there is no through road to leave the church. Special arrangements can be made for those with special needs. Thank you for your cooperation.
- YOUR CO-OPERATION WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED** - After the worship service and before you leave the sanctuary every Lord's Day, please check that no litter has been left behind and that the hymnals/songbooks/Bibles are placed neatly. Thank you.

<p>FCM Camp 2018 Theme: "Turn ye unto Me...and I will turn unto you" (Zechariah 1:3) Venue: Calvary Pandan B-P Church Date: 21 to 25 May 2018 (Mon to Fri) Main Speaker: Pr Ko Lingkang Camp Fee: \$35 (Full time) Online Sign up Link: www.tinyurl.com/fmccamp2018 Contact Person: Luke (9828 3210)</p>		
<p>VBS 2018 will be held from 5-7 June. Registration is now open for children from K1 to P6. Register online at http://vbs.calvarypandan.sg. Hardcopy forms are also available. We are seeking class helpers and bus leaders for the following areas:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Bukit Batok Choa Chu Kang Clementi Dover Jurong East and West Queensway West Coast</p> <p>If you're able to serve in these areas, please contact Lemuel Lee at 91779722. For any other enquiries, please email pandanvbs@gmail.com.</p>	<p>Teenz Retreat 18 to 21 June 2018</p> <p>Theme: "Relating to Relations" Speaker: Preacher Ko Lingkang Venue: Calvary Tengah BPC Fee: \$35 For enquiries, please contact Chloe Tan: 91788633</p>	<p>Combined Youth Conference 2018 Theme: "To Live is Christ" (Philippians 1:21) Venue: Calvary Pandan BPC Date: 20-23 June 2018 (Wed - Sat) Main Speaker: Rev (Dr) Prabhudas Koshy Camp Fee: \$30 (Full time) Closing date of Registration: 3 June 2018 Website: www.truthbpc.com/cyc Online Sign up Link: https://tinyurl.com/cyc2018form Contact Person: Marc (91919080)</p>

The writer of the book of Proverbs was Solomon, who asked God for “understanding to discern judgment” and God gave him “a wise and an understanding heart;” so that there was none like him ever since (1Ki 3:11-12).

He takes the place of a father (Prov 4:1) to instruct his sons to be wise, just as he was instructed by his father and mother (v3-4). He tells them that wisdom is the most profitable gain in life and gives the reasons (v5-13). He advises to shun the path of wickedness which is the way of darkness and speaks in contrast of the path of the just which is the way of light (v14-19).

Then in v20-27, he outlines this path of the just - The Course of Wisdom.

INTRODUCTION

Most of us have undergone a good number of courses in life. Some are useful and some are not. They all have one thing in common - only good for this life under the sun.

There is a course for life that we often do not give diligence to pursue, and it is a lifelong course. This course is only for those who have accepted Christ as Lord and Saviour. This is not a course on doing good Christian works to earn salvation. However, all those who have accepted Christ as Lord and Saviour must traverse on this course as an evidence of their salvation.

God is the author of this course, and He is the instructor by the person of the Holy Spirit, the energiser, and the enabler. God alone is the

beginning of this course, without Him, we who are believers cannot get enrolled on the course; and He alone is the Keeper, without Him we will fail. He is our wisdom, without Him we will have no direction and light to the path in this course and will miss the way. There is much danger and many deceptions as we sojourn on earth. The god of this world, the prince of the power of the air, seeks to veer us off the path. And unless God’s instruction manual guides us and His Spirit illumines and strengthens us, and His power keeps us from the enemies of our soul, we will crash out of this course and fail. From Proverbs 4:20-27, we shall trace this Course of Wisdom from its beginning, its development in the soul and its fruits.

I. ITS BEGINNING (v20) - My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings.

To begin the course, one must be attentive. Obviously, if we sleep through a course, we cannot profit from it. To “attend” means to prick up the ears to pay attention, like an animal to its surroundings, ever prepared for any lurking danger.

To “incline” the ear is to take the posture of a disciple sitting at the feet of God most wise and to listen carefully to what God says to him. Only when we give such attention can the word of God enter into the heart.

II. ITS ESTABLISHMENT (v21) - Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart.

And once we understand what is said, we need to make sure that we do not lose what we hear. To do so, we are to keep our eyes on it, so that these words are not lost from view: "Let them not depart from thine eyes." But they are to be "frontlets between the eyes" (**Deut 11:18**). And we are to "keep them in the midst of thine heart". To "keep" means to guard properly by placing a hedge about (as with thorns) to prevent what is inside from being lost. When we safely keep the counsels of God in the soul, wisdom is established within our soul.

III. THE NEED FOR VIGILANCE IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN THE COURSE OF WISDOM (v23,26) -

23 Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it *are* the issues of life.

26 Ponder the path of thy feet, and let all thy ways be established.

Once we begin in the course and are established upon the right foundation of the Word of God, we will need vigilance to ensure that we stay on course.

The word "keep" in v23 means to guard. It is different from the word "keep" in v21 which means to keep in so that you will not lose what is IN it.

The word "keep" in v23 means both

- a) to guard to ensure that nothing bad enters in, i.e. to keep out what is bad, and
- b) to watch that nothing evil from within comes out.

The world and the Evil One seek to corrupt our minds to conform to the world and not to the mind of Christ. We need to guard against this.

"The heart *is* deceitful above all *things*, and desperately wicked: who can know it?" (**Jer 17:9**) and "from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness: All these evil things come from within, and defile the man." And Jesus said, "That which cometh out of the man, that defileth the man." (**Mr 7:20-23**) Hence it is needful to also guard the heart to ensure that nothing evil from within proceeds out to defile us.

The King James translators added a note "above all keeping" to the phrase "with all diligence" to tell us that above all the keeping and guarding that we do in life, of possessions and health and the like, we are to make the guarding of our hearts our priority, "for out of it *are* the issues of life." We therefore need to be most vigilant in order to maintain this course of life.

We need to ponder the path of our feet" (**v26a**), which means to make level or smooth the path, to roll it flat, so that we will not stumble our feet or be hindered in this course; and likewise let all our "ways be established", prepared, secured and made ready. If this course is our priority, we will do so.

IV. EVIDENCES THAT WE ARE ESTABLISHED ON THIS COURSE (v24) - Put away from thee a froward mouth, and perverse lips put far from thee.

- a. **The Man travelling on this Course has Clean Lips;** negatively put here as "put far away a froward mouth, and perverse lips". What comes out of the mouth will be edifying and godly. "Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers." (**Eph 4:29**) The child of folly is known by his words: by his words he is condemned. The wise man is known by his tongue: by his words he is justified (**Mt 12:36-37**). "If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion *is* vain." (**Jas 1:26**)

- b. **The Man travelling on this Course is Resolute in the Path (v27) -** "Turn not to the right hand nor to the left: remove thy foot from evil." He will not turn again to his past follies [Ps 85:8], like a dog back to its own vomit. He will not take the way of sin because it is easier and the path of least resistance or pleasure. He will stay on course, for he knows that is the way of peace and happiness. He has learnt by experience the temporal pleasures of sin and its bitter and miserable after-taste brings only death.

- c. **The Man travelling on this Course Looks Right On (v25) -** "Let thine eyes look right on and let thine eyelids look straight before thee." To look right on in front means to fix your eyes on Christ. A runner whose eyes are looking right on straight before him will run straight. The moment he begins to look to the left and right, he will veer off course. Fix your eyes on the prize that awaits the winner and be

not tempted to depart from the biblical course. "Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of *our* faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God." (**Heb 12:2**)

V. THE ISSUES [or Fruits] OF THE COURSE (v22,23) - Issues in life and health -

- 22** For they *are* life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh.
- 23** Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it *are* the issues of life.

The end of this course is eternal life and physical health. This was promised literally to the wise and holy under the Old Testament national witness, but now in the New Testament the issues of heavenly wisdom are only spiritual: -

- (1) a blessed and abundant life on earth in Christ Jesus, and
- (2) everlasting life beyond, where there is no more pain, sickness and death.

What a blessed course indeed. All believers are automatically enrolled into this course when they accept Christ as Lord and Saviour. Now believers need to be established in it and grow in the grace and in the knowledge of the Lord. Let us who are truly born again be vigilant to keep to the course and not to turn out of the way. Let us joyfully finish this course and enter into perfect joy with the only wise God, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Notice of Land Acquisition

As announced by the Government on 9 May and reported in the newspaper on 10 May, a 24km Jurong Region Line MRT will be built in the western part of Singapore, progressively open from 2026. In relation to this MRT line development, the church has received letters from SLA and LTA on 9 May informing us of the acquisition of part of the land occupied by our church. Two narrow strips of land along Jurong Town Hall Road have been gazetted for acquisition (see sketch attached). We are required to deliver these two portions of land by 29 Nov 2019, or such other date SLA may subsequently notify us.

