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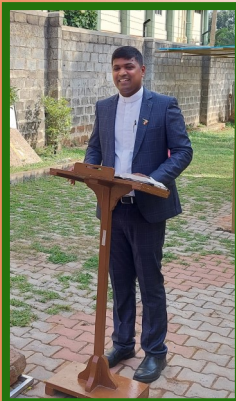
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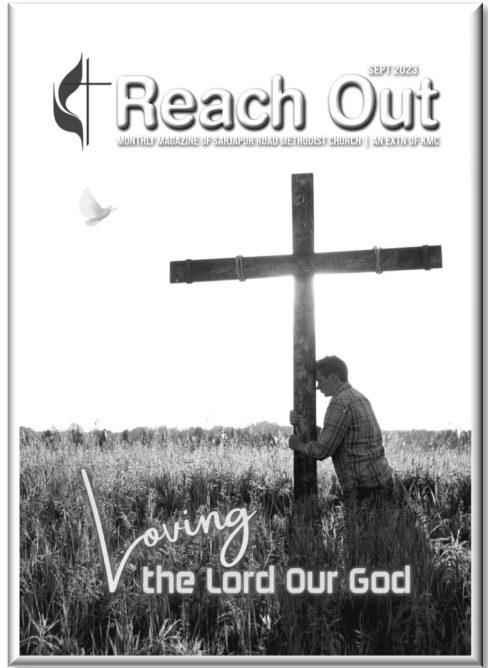
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### MISSION STATEMENT

"To be obedient, cheerful, compassionate, humble stewards of God's Word and resources, in utter dependence upon God through prayer, so that we as a congregation and those we reach out to, will experience transformation through the saving grace of God and grow as Christ-centered people, guided by the Holy Spirit."

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## PASTORAL LETTER



REV. ALFRED SUDARSHAN

**D**ear SRMC family,  
Greetings to you all in the matchless name of our lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. It gives me immense joy in writing to you all once again through this news-letter. God has been good to all of us. He has enabled us to see one more new month. I hope and believe that we had a wonderful month meditating on the theme ***“Freedom in Christ”***. As I was praying and pondering upon the topic for September, God inspired me to think in terms of His love for us. So, the theme for this month would be, ***“Loving the Lord our God”***, based on Deuteronomy 6:4-5 ***“Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength”***.

Moses in Deuteronomy, time and again teaches Israelites to Love God. In Deuteronomy chapter 11, again he tells the people of Israel that they must love the Lord. How Can we Love God?

In his bestselling book *The Five Love Language*, Gary Chapman writes about various *Love Languages* by which people communicate Love. He suggests there is a distinct personal way every person gives and receives love. Words of affirmation, physical affection, gift-giving, service, time and opening opportunities are

various ways love is communicated, flowing out and flowing in. He argues that to have a healthy relationship, we need to learn our partner's love language and communicate love in a way that speaks to the one we love.

In line with this understanding, what is God's love language? God communicates his love in a very clear and definitive way. In John 3:16-15 we read, *"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that who ever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."* For God did not send his son into this world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. Later, in 1 John 4:4-9 we read, *"Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love"*. This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him.

God communicates his love for the world by sending his only Son to die at the Cross to pay for our sins. But how do we communicate our love to God? Deuteronomy 11 answers that question for us. The message is simple and clear: to love God is to obey God. Love for God is not about a feeling on Sunday morning. It is about a life of devotion every day.

***Loving the Lord our God is a call to loving obedience:*** In John 14:15, Jesus says, ***"If you love me, keep my commands"***. Love for God is not optional. It is obligatory. Our chief duty to God is to love him, we are to love God by obeying God. Moses through the book of Deuteronomy teaches us what it means to Love God, by issuing three challenges to lovingly obey God.

The book of Deuteronomy records three farewell speeches Moses gives to the children of Israel as they prepare to cross over into the promise land. Moses will not be permitted to go into the land himself because of his disobedience, but God will use Moses here to spiritually prepare the children of Israel to finally claim the promise land. Deuteronomy chapters 5 through 11 talks about when you get into that Land, make sure you obey God.

In Chapter 12 he lays specific stipulations and commands and statutes of God and what they look like in detail. He gives general exhortations, general calls to obedience. In Chapter 11 particularly, Moses reminds them to think of who God is; to set their mind on who God is, not to let anything distract them from

who God is. Noting the urgency of this exhortation, he says in verse 2 of chapter 11, *consider today who God is and what he's done for you*. The children whom Moses is addressing were not there in wilderness wanderings. It is Moses suggesting that your children might have some excuse because they have only heard about these things. They did not see it, but you have seen God work. In other words, Moses says that you have seen God in your own lives, you have experienced too much to try to go your own way and not go God's way. Some of us are like these Israelites, we have seen God seen God working, have experienced God's presence in our lives yet we continue in our foolish ways. Now he instructs them to consider the discipline of the Lord, the training of the Lord, the instruction of the Lord.

The New Testament contains a noteworthy passage in Luke 10:25-29, in which a lawyer is in conversation with Jesus about the issues of eternal consequences: he wants to know what it takes to inherit eternal life. Jesus refers him back to what is written. The lawyer then recalls the word of God and gives an answer that Jesus approves: so, he answered and said, *"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind. And Love your neighbor as yourself"* Jesus replied, *"do this and you will live"*. To give a proper understanding of what it means to Love God and Neighbor, Jesus tells parable of good Samaritan to the young lawyer and at last he poses the question to lawyer, which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers? the expert in law replied *The one who had mercy on him*. Jesus told him, *Go and do likewise*. The problem with the young lawyer was, that he loved God and obeyed all the commandment, where as he failed to love his neighbor. Loving God has both vertical and horizontal dimension. The Scriptures encourages us to Love God and our neighbor and to have whole hearted, life-encompassing allegiance to God.

As we see in today's context, there is an aspect of our love of God that is strangely underdeveloped among us. When we think about our Love of God, we usually envision something on the emotional level. But in Bible the love of God encompasses our thinking. Loving God always is a day-to- day learning process. We learn more and more how to do it and keep on doing it a little each day. Until soon we can say with Apostle Paul, I am content

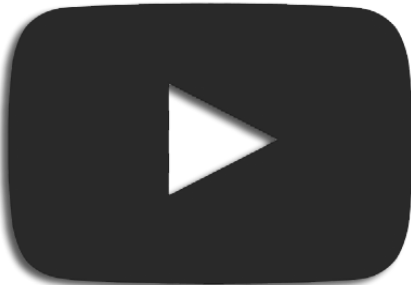
no matter what. I can live on almost nothing and I can live with everything. The secret of living in every situation is remembering that I can do everything, I can live through anything, and I can even overcome—*through Christ who gives me strength, sustenance, and courage* (Philippians 4:11-13)

Dearly beloved in Christ, God is still good, faithful, and covenant-keeping God. When we fail to express our love, he still loves us. All of us have failed to love God the way we should. It is never late, if we run to the cross and trust in the one who paid the price, then we can a fresh start, a new beginning, and an eternal hope. Let us learn to Love God in all situations and in everything. As we meditate on this theme entire month, it is my prayer that God almighty speak to us in our own contexts and situation and enable us to express our Love towards him, in obedience, worship and in remembering his work in our lives.

God bless us all !

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**Rev. Alfred Sudarshan** (Pastor, SRMC)



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# ***PRAISE and PRAYER***

## ***Praise God***

- ♦ Praise God for His grace, as we meditated on the theme **FREEDOM IN CHRIST** during the month of August.
- ♦ Praise God for the wonderful way He has led us and the activities of the Church, during the past month.

## ***Remember and Pray***

- ♦ Continue to pray for our Bishop N. L. Karkare, Madam Kamal Karkare, Executive Secretary Rev. David Nathaniel, Conference Treasurer, Rev. Mathew George M., District Superintendent Rev. Sebastian Ravikumar. Pray continuously for the Bangalore Regional Conference and that God's will be accomplished through the conference.
- ♦ Pray for our dear Pastor, **Rev. Alfred Sudarshan** and his family. Also, kindly keep our extended **Pastoral team** & their families at **KMC** and their families in prayers.
- ♦ Pray for the **SRMC Sunday School**, children & teens ministry. Pray for wisdom and health for all teachers and volunteers, for the media team and for the technical challenges that are involved.
- ♦ Pray for the **Management Team of SRMC** and their families as they help in various activities of the church.
- ♦ Pray for the Bible Study group, Worship team, Men's and Women's fellowships, Sunday School, Choir and all the volunteers who are striving hard to serve and raise resources for our Church.
- ♦ Pray for the sick, elders, widows and the poor, who need help in our church. Pray also for all the families that you remember at our Church.
- ♦ Pray for all the families who are still suffering due to the effects of illnesses, that God may give them strength to cope and hope to move ahead.
- ♦ Pray that God may reveal His Plan for us in this locality and that the SRMC family may become a channel of blessing in this vicinity.



- ♦ Pray that God may raise people in the Church and outside, who can own the Project – ‘Arise, let us build’ and support in building up the place of worship at Sarjapur Road. Please pray for the right decisions to be taken going ahead.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Sunday Worship Service** begins at 9 am every Sunday, with services being live streamed on our website [srmcblr.org](http://srmcblr.org).
- **PASTORAL CARE** is available through the Church, you can avail the services by speaking to the Pastor personally.
- **REACH OUT** is the in-house magazine of **SRMC** and you are welcome to contribute your stories, missionary stories, testimonies, activity pages for children and other articles. You also have the opportunity to suggest the theme for the next Month and related resources.
- **WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP** meetings are held every last Sunday of the month. **Women's Bible Study** is scheduled for **Wednesdays at 7 pm**. Please contact the women's fellowship members for more details and Zoom meeting IDs.
- **Church Bible Study** is scheduled for every **Thursday, at 7 pm**, via Zoom. Pastor will be leading us in the Bible Study.
- **SRMC Sunday School** is held in the Church premises, every Sunday during the Sunday Worship Service. Please encourage your children to attend the services prayerfully for a blessed time of growing in the Word.
- **Humble request:** Please be consistent in your attendance to the Church—either for the **live service in Church**, or via the **Live Stream** of the service on our website, every Sunday. This will help you to grow spiritually and it will also help the Church to grow both Spiritually and Missionally.



# DOES GOD LOVE IMPERFECT, SINFUL US?

**D**o you often feel as if you're on God's naughty list more often than not?

When you think about God, read the Bible or listen to the sermon at church, do you sometimes feel as if you deserve to be punished? That you don't measure up to God's standards?

If so, how miserable are you willing to become before you're ready to allow God to change your perspective? If you're a committed follower of Jesus – if you've repented of your sins and accepted Jesus' death at Calvary as the punishment for your sins – then **Romans 8:1** is true for you.



***There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. (Romans 8:1 ESV)***

Let me be clear. God absolutely hates sin and the defiance it represents in us. Yet, He constantly extends mercy to us because He also hates the way sin devastates our lives. While He cannot tolerate rebellion against His Word, He loves His children with an everlasting love. After all, He sent His Son to die for our sins – not out of contempt, but out of love.

Since I have placed my faith in Christ, I don't want the devil to deceive me – even with one thought – into believing my heavenly Father would reject me. Obviously, God isn't pleased with many things I do. My sin grieves Him deeply, but grief isn't rejection.

***God hates my sin, but He loves me.***

Rather than allowing the devil to deceive us, we must grasp what Jesus' sacrifice on the cross means for us – for you – personally. Spending time reading and meditating on Romans 6

and 8 will help us grow in our understanding. Don't rush through. Spend as much time as it takes to really dig in.

As we spend time in these chapters, let's ask God to give us a deeper understanding of His Word, especially regarding why He suffered and died for us. Why He was so willing to pay the price for our sin. Why He loves imperfect, sinful us so much.

The more we glean from Romans 6 and 8, the more we'll appreciate our indisputable worth in Christ – despite of our imperfect, sinful selves.

***What do you think?***

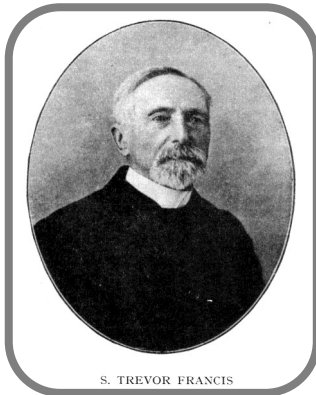
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# HYMN HISTORY

## 0 THE DEEP, DEEP LOVE OF JESUS

**B**efore we get to this hymn, I am going to ask you to use your imagination a little. Picture yourself in London, England in the late 1800's. You are a teenager struggling with your faith. It is a cold, rainy night. You are lonely, walking home after work, asking God to have mercy on you. You are walking along the Thames River and come to the Hungerford Bridge to cross. You pause for a moment on the bridge, and look over the side into the dark waters of the Thames River, and hear a voice inside your head say *Make an end to all this misery!!* Refusing to give into these dark voices, you ask yourself *Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ?* and you answer and proclaim *I do believe with my whole heart.*



S. TREVOR FRANCIS

This is the true story behind this great hymn written by **Samuel Trevor Francis** in 1875. Mr. Francis was a London merchant who was passionate about hymn writing and open-air preaching. After this experience when he was a teenager, Mr. Francis spent the next 73 years of his life in ministry.

As you read about the love of Jesus in this song, I hope you key in on the phrases regarding the water/river/ocean, and think back to what Mr. Francis probably was experiencing that cold, rainy, lonely night in London. For those of you that are familiar with this tune, I hope the background story behind gives you more insight into the author's mindset, and that it also paints a beautiful picture for you of God's great love for His children.

### ***Couple of comments on the lyrics:***

***Underneath me, all around me*** – Do you remember in grammar school when you had to learn about prepositions? You know about, above, across, before, behind, below, etc. I get the picture here that the author is trying to communicate, with a couple of different prepositions, how great the love of Jesus truly is. It is around us. It is in us. It is before us. It is behind us. It is under us. It is through us. It is with us. It is near us. Paul wrote in

Ephesians that there is *one God, one Father of all, who is over all, and through all, and in all*. This great God who is over all, and in all, and through all, also has His love over us, in us, and through us.

***Ever loveth, changeth never*** – It is like the marriage of these phrases here in Verse two. The author combines something that God always does (loves) with something that He never does (change). Lamentations 3:22-23 reminds us Because of the LORD's great love we are not consumed, for His compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faith-fulness. This great passage of Scripture was also the inspiration for another great line from a truly great hymn – *Great is Thy Faithfulness*. That author wrote *Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not*. Once again we see this theme of God's unchanging love for His children. A love that is deep, vast, unmeasured, boundless and free!

The song compares Jesus' love to the ocean in scope, emphasizing the limitless, unchanging, and sacrificial nature of God's affections for the singer and all of humanity. It consists of three stanzas each utilizing an A, A, B, B rhyming structure. Various melodic and harmonic arrangements of the song have been published, the most common being a minor melody in 4/4 time.

### ***About the song-writer:***

Samuel Trevor Francis (1834–1925) had a spiritual turning point as a teenager, contemplating suicide one night on a bridge over the River Thames. Experiencing a renewal of faith, he went on to author many poems and hymns and was a preacher in addition to his merchant career.

Born in Cheshunt, Herts, in 1834, taken while a babe to Hull, stayed when five or six with relatives at Cheshunt, who taught him Bible truths. When nine his father, brother, and himself joined the choir of Hull Parish Church. He soon began to produce poetry, and in a few years he had a volume of poems compiled in his own handwriting.

The family having moved to London, he spent twelve months with a doctor in Camberwell. His health failing, he returned to Hull, where a Mr. Akester asked him if he would like to see a man

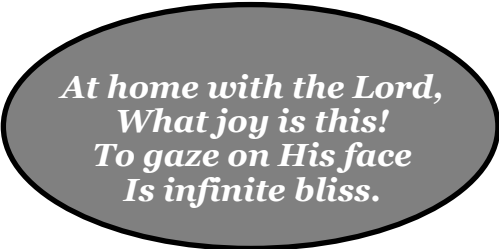
buried alive, afterwards explaining that it was a baptismal service, conducted by Andrew Jukes, author of *The Law of the Offerings*, etc. Thus he was introduced to a company meeting on Scriptural lines, and heard the Gospel of Man's Ruin and God's Remedy.

Through his preaching during the Revival of 1859–1860 many were led to the Lord. Later he was one of the most willing helpers of Moody and Sankey in their great London campaign in 1873–1874. At times he did deputy for Mr. Sankey in leading the praise. He also helped Canon Hay Aitken in several of his missions, when many churchmen and others were converted.

Impaired eyesight led to his making a tour of the world, so that in his many journeys he was ever cheered by hearing one and another of the words he had penned poured forth in song, in English or other tongues. Later in life he paid visits to Canada, Australia, Palestine, Egypt, and accompanied R.C. Morgan, the first editor of *The Christian*, to parts of North Africa.

He quietly entered into Rest, from a nursing home, on 28th December 1925, in the 92nd year of age.

A collection of his poems which had appeared in *The Revival*, *The Witness*, *The Christian*, *Word and Work*, *Great Thoughts*, *Life of Faith*, and many other papers, was produced under the title of *O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus* [1926]. Dr. Thirtle, in *The Christian*, said: *All his poetical work, as well as his spoken word, was permeated by a realisation of the love of Christ, and with a heart's desire to see the Saviour's face.* Now he realises what he so sweetly penned:



*At home with the Lord,  
What joy is this!  
To gaze on His face  
Is infinite bliss.*

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(Sources: Wikipedia; Austin Bhebel; Hymnology Archive)

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# PARENT RESOURCES

## 4 WAYS GOD INSTRUCTS US TO TEACH OUR CHILDREN SCRIPTURE IN DEUTERONOMY 6:7

The Word of God is  
living and active.

Hebrews 4:12

**H**ear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and

when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates. – Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Spending time in the Word with your kids doesn't have to involve lengthy bible presentations and songs with choreography. In fact, in Deuteronomy we are taught that God simply wants us to keep His Word at the forefront of our family life – **as we walk and talk and go to sleep and wake up again.**

Every part of the day as a family is an opportunity to spend time in the Word together whether the Bible is in front of us or not!

***How to put it into practice when you sit, when you walk, when you lie down and when you get up.***

Let's focus today on those four times mentioned in Deuteronomy 6 to help us be intentional about sharing Scripture with our kids. Here are four ways your family can put God's instructions in Deuteronomy 6:7 into practice:

### • **Deuteronomy 6:7 – When You Sit at Home**

While there isn't much explaining to do with this one, there are a few scenarios that are perfect for this, like dinner time. I know we have busy families, running here and there for activities at all

hours, but coming together for dinner and talking as a family is so important and healthy.

Perhaps at your house breakfast is the one meal where everyone is home. Or maybe it's dinner. Whatever meal it may be, include the Word in your discussion by opening or closing the meal with a devotion. This could open with conversation starters for family talk, then a Verse of the Day Scripture Reading, followed by a related devotional and closing prayer.

In our house, my husband and I are always done eating long before the kids, so while they continue to eat, one of us reads a Bible verse or devotion and opens up some discussion about it. If meal time doesn't work for you, use some creativity and try finding another time when you know everyone will be present in your home.

- ***Deuteronomy 6:7 – When You Walk Along the Road***

I interpret this instruction as talking about Scripture and incorporating it into your life as you go about your daily activities! But you don't have to be sitting down with a Bible in front of you to talk about God's Word with your kids.

Right now I'm helping our nine-year-old train for his first 5K (at his request), and our time running together is great for discussing Bible verses and even memorizing them. You can talk about Scripture with your kids while you do any routine work or drive or play a game. As Hebrews 4:12 says, ***The Word of God is alive and active*** and it can be a part of our active lives.

- ***Deuteronomy 6:7 – When You Lie Down Bed***

Bedtime is a tried-and-true time to read and pray with your kids. I know putting your kids to bed isn't always relaxing, but there really is nothing better than ending your day with your children focused on the most important thing in your life – God. Choose age-appropriate devotions or Bible stories, both in subject and length of time, and spend the last part of the day talking about how you've seen God at work in your lives that day.



5 Minute Bible Stories are so perfect for this time of day with little ones. Kids already have such short attention spans (I have a three-year-old and know this VERY well), but five minutes is doable for everyone!



- ***Deuteronomy 6:7 – When You Get Up***

I think this is my favorite instruction from Deuteronomy 6 that we will try to start and implement this year. It's too hard to develop new habits! It's not going to be easy, and not everyone is a morning person, but I want us all to start the day focused on Jesus and give God our first moments of the day.

For your kids this may mean reading devotions on their own in the morning. Or get creative! There are so many other ways to start their day with Scripture! You can put post-it-note Scriptures on the bathroom mirrors, or leave them on your kids' breakfast plates!

I'm stealing the idea from friends of doing a car-ride-to-school Bible song and worship time together and praying just before they get out to tackle the school day!

Deuteronomy 6 encourages me to be creative and intentional about spending time in the Word with my kids, but it also reminds me I don't have to do anything elaborate. The Word of God needs to be part of our daily comings and goings together. That's how He's always wanted it.

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# WORSHIP IN CHURCH TRADITIONAL OR CONTEMPORARY?

## *Should Worship Be Traditional, Contemporary, or Both?*

**D**epending upon what is meant by the terms **Traditional** & **Contemporary**, the answer might be neither. Then again, defined another way, the answer might be both. Regardless, the best answer is not a simple choice based merely on preferred style. A good approach looks at what a worship service should do and then asks how to best do this with a specific group of people in mind. If key actions of worship are accomplished and this worship glorifies God and builds up the church, then what does it matter if the worship is labeled one way or another? Likewise, if worship does not glorify God and result in an abundance of love in a church, what does it matter how it is labeled?

A good guide is not merely what we prefer or what really moves us but understanding some basic ideas about Christian worship. Consider, for example, this definition for worship:

*Worship is a corporate (meaning common or shared) act of the church as the Body of Christ, an act that is from God, to God, and done before God.*

This definition helps us avoid veering into certain ruts. The idea of worship as a common act directed to God, for instance, calls into question services that make congregations passive audiences. This can be a problem in either so-called traditional or contemporary services.

What are some basic guides for Christian worship that go beyond style? One set is a list of essential actions that worship should do. Worship should:

- ⇒ Praise God,
- ⇒ thank God,

- ⇒ confess sin,
- ⇒ tell the big story about what God has done in Jesus Christ,
- ⇒ apply this gospel to us here and now,
- ⇒ give us an opportunity to offer ourselves to God,
- ⇒ intercede in prayers for others, and
- ⇒ unify us with one another and with God

No single service need do all the above in every service. But, over time, does our worship service include a balance of these essential actions? Having a list like this can help a church make decisions about what style of worship is most appropriate. If we want to sing our church's brokenness in sin, then ask what kind of music allows the congregation to truly access their heart before God. It might be one style, it might be another, or it might be a variety of styles. In the latter case, try to go beyond a *quota system* for attempting blended worship. Try to avoid picking so many hymns to satisfy one group and so many choruses for another without looking at what worship actions these songs best do. Even if our service meets a quota, is it truly blended if it lacks the full range of worship's essential actions?

Another guide for worship is using markers for appropriate breadth beyond style. Worship done in Christ should have, over time, a certain breadth of remembrance. Does our worship fully remember:

- ⇒ God's person and activity in both the Old and New Testaments?
- ⇒ the entirety of Jesus Christ's ministry and saving work, in both its personal and cosmic dimensions (for example, Jesus died for you and Jesus' resurrection destroyed the power of death)?
- ⇒ in both its historic and beyond-history dimensions (for example, Christ lived in a specific time and place and all things are being created through Christ and for Christ)?

⇒ that salvation can be applied to individuals, the whole church, and the entire creation?

There are other markers for breadth in worship. Does our worship cultivate both a sense of God's transcendence—creating awe and wonder—and a sense of God's immanence? Does our worship allow us to express a full range of emotions and affections over time, a range as broad as the Psalms themselves? Does our worship use a full range of possible *dialogs* in worship: God to us, us to God, us to one another, God to the world, us to the world, and the world to God through us? Does our worship include both a priestly element—allowing us to offering praise and intercessions to God—as well as a prophetic element, where we boldly proclaim the Word of God? Does our worship engage a full range of human needs and senses (touch, taste, smelling, hearing, and seeing)?

Many matters of styles (e.g., music, tone of leadership, use of electronic technology) are not nearly as significant as achieving this sort of breadth in worship. Concerns about appropriate style of worship should be dependent upon aiming for this breadth of worship in each situation. The question about having services with a traditional or a contemporary style should be about how to do solid Christian worship in a specific locale with a specific group of people. In many churches, the push is for adding a second service with a contemporary style, particularly for evangelistic purposes.

Finally, it is fair to ask whether traditional and contemporary are still useful terms. What is traditional worship? What makes worship contemporary? How should our worship be characterized? Something to ponder about, for all of us.

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## Word Search

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### Word list:

BELIEF

BLESSINGS

CHRIST

CHURCH

COMPASSION

COURAGE

ETERNAL

FAITH

FAITHFULNESS

FORGIVENESS

FRIENDSHIP

GIVING

GOD

GRACE

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HEAVEN

HOLY

HOPE

JESUS

JOY

LOVE

MERCY

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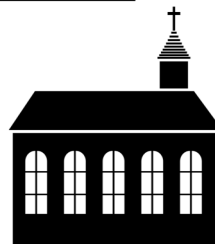
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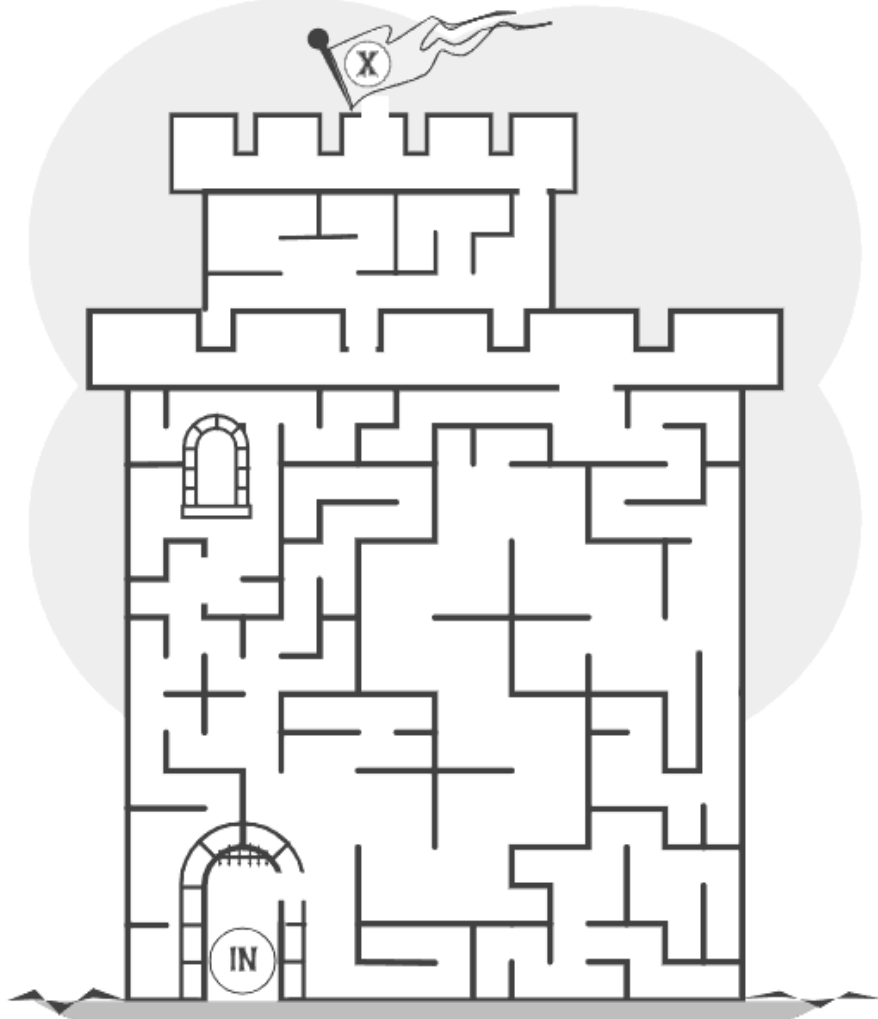
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We believe in the power of small groups, clustered based on locations, where we can learn, build and grow each other in the Lord.

Please contact Pastor, to find out who your NFG representative is, and join the SRMC family, for Godly meditations and discussions, birthday/anniversary wishes and a wholesome, fruitful fellowship.

### ***KINDLY PARTICIPATE IN THE ACTIVITIES OF SRMC:***

Sunday Worship Service	9 am, every Sunday
SRMC Sunday School	9:45 am, every Sunday
SRMC Bible Study	7 pm—Every Thursday
SRMC Women's Bible Study	7 pm—Every Wednesday
SRMC Women's Fellowship Meeting	Last Sunday of the month
SRMC Management Team meeting	First Sunday of the month
SRMC Men's Fellowship	Every 3rd Saturday
SRMC Choir Practice	3.30 pm, every Saturday
SRMC Worship Team Practice	4.30 pm, every Saturday



# LOVING THE LORD OUR GOD

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### Pulpit Calendar

“Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one.  
Love the Lord your God with all your heart and  
with all your soul and with all your strength.”

### SEPTEMBER 2023

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday | 03/09/2023 | 9 AM

COMMUNION | LOVING THE LORD YOUR GOD

DEUT. 6:1-17 | Speaker: Rev. Alfred Sudarshan

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2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday | 10/09/2023 | 9 AM

HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE | LUKE 15:1-11

Speaker: Mr. Prathap Samuel

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3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday | 17/09/2023 | 9 AM

LOVED BY GOD | 1 THES. 1:1-10

Speaker: Rev. Alfred Sudarshan

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4<sup>th</sup> Sunday | 24/09/2023 | 9 AM

**WOMEN'S SPECIAL SUNDAY**

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