

Sermon Summary for 18th February, 2018

“JESUS FORETELLS HIS DEATH AND RESURRECTION”

Isaiah 53:3-7, 10-11; Mark 9:30-32; 10:32-34 (Rev. Francis Yaw Boamah)

Death, dying and coming back to life are not regular subjects or topics for conversation. But Jesus talked about His own impending death and resurrection like any other subject. People are uncomfortable talking about death because it is considered a mystery. “And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment,” Hebrews 9:27 (ESV)

Death is final for humanity. But for Jesus death was not final, it was functional. His death was going to accomplish something, meet a need, be beneficial to sinful mankind, and set sinners free. (1 Peter 1:18-20 NIV)

What are some of the lessons for us as we listen to Jesus talk freely about His own death and the resurrection that was to follow from Mark 9:30-32; 10:32-34?

The first thing we notice about Jesus’ discourse on His death and resurrection is the **constancy** or repetition. There are three different occasions: 8:31; 9:30-32; 10:32-34. This is His mission and He talks about it again and again so that His disciples will not be in any doubt about it and, hopefully, would not be shocked by it. But did it sink in? (The two disciples on the way to Emmaus in Luke 22).

Clarity. When Jesus spoke about His coming death and resurrection He did not use parables; no metaphors or any other figures of speech. He made sure that no one would misunderstand Him. “He spoke plainly about this ...” (Mark 8:32a NIV)

Certainty. Whenever He taught on this topic the Lord kept certain aspects the same and then added new details of His mistreatment. (Mark 8:31, 9:31, 10:33-34 ESV)

For example, on all three occasions He calls Himself the “Son of Man”, a common title He alone used in the gospels (over 80 times) drawing attention to His humanity. Then He says that He will be killed but will rise again from the dead. It is in chapters 9&10 that He adds that He “will be delivered into the hands” of men. “He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he opened not his mouth.” (Isaiah 53:7 ESV)

It was the plan of God (Acts 2:23) that Jesus would be intentionally delivered into the hands of wicked people in order to fulfil His mission of atonement. Hence, the multiple layers of ‘deliverance’: into the hands of Judas then the chief priests and other religious leaders. They in turn delivered Him into the hands of Pontius Pilate who delivered Him into the hands of the soldiers.

Call to Discipleship: After every major prediction of His death and resurrection, Jesus immediately followed it up with instruction on discipleship. (8:32-38; 9:35-37; 10:35-45)

As Jesus selflessly surrenders to the will of the Father, so should His disciples. Partnership! Selfless devotion to the cause of the gospel of Christ.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

We publish for the **THIRD and FINAL TIME**, the bans between **Mr. Kwesi Sarpong** of Christian Life Center, La Paz and **Ms. Monica Seddoh** of LIC.

Please inform the Pastors or Presiding Elder if you know of any just and valid reason why these persons may not be lawfully joined together in marriage. Kindly keep them in prayer.

CURRENT OFFICE LOCATIONS FOR LIC STAFF

- Head PastorGround Floor.....G 8
- Pastor.....Ground Floor.....G 9
- Administrator.....Ground Floor.....G 10
- Accounts Office 1.....Attic.....A 1
- Accounts Office 2.....Attic.....A 2
- Ministry Coordinator.....Attic.....A 3
- Campus Outreach Leader.....Attic.....A 10
- Administrative Assistant.....Ground Floor.....G 3 (Former Vestry)

This Week's Prayer Topics

✠ Pray that the Lord will comfort all bereaved families in LIC; and that their faith in God will grow stronger. Also, that this moment of grief will draw them closer to the Lord, as His joy gives them strength (Ps. 30:5; 2 Corin. 1:3-4)

✠ Pray for all leaders in LIC to be passionate for the Lord; that He will anoint their heads with oil to lead His Church. Pray that the Lord will bless them with the qualities mentioned in 1 Timothy 3:1-9. Also, that He will be their shield and the lifter of their heads (Acts 10:38; Psalm 23:5; Psalm 3:3)

✠ Pray against untimely death in LIC; that every member of the Church will fulfill their God-ordained years on this earth to the glory of God (Psalm 118:17; John 10:10)

**CONGRATULATIONS!!!
BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS**

- Feb 25: Mrs. Bernice Offei
- Feb 25: Mr. Charles MacCarthy
- Feb 26: Ms. Awushie Dovo
- Feb 26: Mrs. Ruby Kankam-Boadu
- Feb 26: Mr. Nicholas Nii Narku Osuteye
- Feb 26: Mr. Yaw Tsen Yeboah
- Feb 27: Mr. Kwame Asiedu Attrams
- Feb 27: Ms. Kathleen Zenabu Sakara
- Feb 28: Ms. Cheryl Angela Williams
- Feb 28: Mr. Solomon Gyamfi Akowah
- Feb 28: Master Kwesi Ablordey
- Feb 28: Mrs. Esther Adokailey Mingle Awotwi
- Feb 28: Mr. Kennedy Fosu
- Feb 28: Master Kekeli M. Afadzinu
- Mar 01: Mrs. Dorothy Twimasie
- Mar 02: Mrs. Mawuena Ivanna Coomson
- Mar 02: Ms. Ewurabena Awuah
- Mar 03: Mr. James Abanam
- Mar 03: Mr. Edward K. Addotey
- Mar 03: Mrs. Bertha Sogah
- Mar 03: Mrs. Celine Owusu-Afari
- Mar 03: Ms. Gwendolyn Quartey
- Mar 03: Mr. Robert Lartey
- Mar 03: Mrs. Edith Tetteh
- Mar 03: Dr. Thomas Buabeng
- WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**
- Feb 26: Joseph and Evita Asare
- Feb 28: Maxwell & Agatha Aryee
- Mar 01: Victor & Sedinam Tweneboah
- Mar 02: Nana Fredua & Yaa Owusua Ofori-Atta
- Mar 03: Emmanuel & Adantsi Richard

WELCOME



TO

LEGON INTERDENOMINATIONAL CHURCH

SUNDAY, 25TH FEBRUARY, 2018



**Influencing Generations
Through Christ-like Discipleship**

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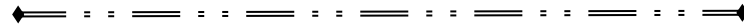
LIC: SAVED TO SERVE!

The Council of Elders and Pastors heartily welcome you to God's House this Sunday morning: Akwaaba!

YEAR'S THEME: "THE MISSION OF JESUS - A CALL TO PARTNERSHIP"

SUNDAY, 25TH FEBRUARY, 2018 — SERVICE STARTS @ 9: 15AM

Officiant: Prof Esther Sakyi-Dawson
 Sermon Topic: **"Be Humble; Welcome Others"**
 Preacher: **Dr. Frederick L. Phillips**
 Lectors: Mr. Kwame Attrams and Ms. Cecilia Adjei
 Notices: Mr. Nuku Kumaga



Scripture Passages: **Exodus 18: 1 - 7, 13 - 24 and Mark 9: 33 - 41**

Opening Hymn: "We praise Thee, O God"
 Song Ministration: Dr. Vivien Akoto
 Song Ministration: Mrs. Bernice Offei
 Closing Hymn: "Lord, dismiss us with Thy blessing"

REFLECTION: The Stranger's room

Just imagine if everyone kept a room in his home reserved for Strangers; if we all reserved a place in our hearts for Strangers; if we all thought of strangers as Christ and humbly welcomed them as we would if Christ showed up at our door or nearby. Anytime Strangers have showed up in the Bible and were welcomed, they became a blessing. Even unknowingly, someone hosted the birth of the Son of God and has eternally become part of God's remarkable redemption plan.
 —JNA (Feb - 2018)

NEXT SUNDAY, 4TH MARCH, 2018

Officiant: Mr. Theo Aryee
 Sermon Topic: **"Deal Drastically With Temptations"**
 Preacher: **Mr. Kofi Duodu Asomaning**
 Lectors: Mr. Kwaku Kankam-Boadu and Ms. Cecilia Adjei
 Scripture Passages: **Genesis 39: 1 - 12; Mark 9: 42 - 50**
 Notices: Dr. Nana Akua Anyidoho

STUDENTS' SERVICE @ 6:30AM

SUNDAY, 25TH FEBRUARY, 2018

Sermon Topic: "Tap into the Power of Jesus" Preacher: Mr. Edem Senanu
 Scripture Passages: Psalm 107: 17 - 22; Mark 6: 53 - 56 Time: 6:30am

NEXT SUNDAY, 4TH MARCH, 2018

Sermon Topic: "Tradition or the Scriptures?" Preacher: Rev. Francis Yaw Boamah
 Scripture Passages: 2 Kings 17: 29 - 41; Mark 7: 1 - 13 Time: 6:30am



Activity for 25th February, 2018

TREASURE HUNT

Leaders: Esther Aryee, Jeffrey Larbi-Akor, Efram Homenya
 Time is **4:00pm @ LIC**

COUPLES' RETREAT REGISTRATION EXTENDED

Focus: "Finding and prioritizing God's agenda for my marriage" (Ref Mt 6:10)
 Date: Friday, 25th - Sunday, 27th May, 2018
 Venue: Volta Serene Hotel, Ho
 Rate: GH¢ 1,100 per couple
 Register @ www.licfamily.org.gh
 Deadline: Midnight, Tuesday 6th March, 2018

USHERS ON DUTY - MARCH, 2018

Nana Ekua Awotwi, Joshua Acquaye, Wendy Opoku, Akpene Kwadzo, Abena Acquah, Philip Annor Mensah, Freeman Mikado, Susanna Tetteh, Ayodele Sawyerr, Gwendolyn Quarthey, Grace Takyi-Donkor, Kaki Kudadjie, Enu Otsyina, Jessica Johnson, Emeffa homenya

Visitors' Reception for MARCH, 2018

Dr. Maureen Iheanacho and Mr. Ebenezer Nortey

BIBLE STUDY LEADERS' & ASSISTANTS' MEETING

All Bible Study Leaders and Assistants are informed of their meeting with the Coordinators at 6.30pm on **WEDNESDAY, 28th February and THURSDAY, 1st March**. Please prepare **Lesson 2** (The Book of Judges) **BEFORE** coming.

SUNDAY, 25TH FEBRUARY, 2018

Mr. Charles MacCarthy (0244-353522)
 Dr. George T-M. Kwadzo (020-8161624)
 Mr. Theo Aryee (0204-315133)
 Mr. Samuel Owusu Yeboah (0504441114)

ELDERS ON DUTY

Reception

Dr. Mrs. Eureka Ahadjie Adomako (0244-281821)
 Mr. Kwadwo Otu Addae (0243-367611)

Counseling

Dr. Awo Mana Asiedu (0244-575177)
 Mr. K.K. Ohene- Adu (0244-631600)

PRAYING WITH ONE ANOTHER

The Prayer Ministry requests the under-listed persons to kindly provide the Ministry with their active/current contact numbers and professions as they pray for them this week. The Ministry's week begins on Monday and runs until Saturday.

Mr. Emmanuel Ohene Amoako-Apenteng	Mrs. Janet Ayamga	Mr. Horlali Yaw Haligah
Mr. Kwabena Adjei-Amoateng	Mr. Prince Afrim	Mr. Hayfor Alufar Bokpin
Mrs. Effie Amissah	Mr. Samuel Owusu Yeboah	Mr. Andrew Oduro
Mrs. Abigail Bediako Alou	Mrs. Kafui Yeboah	Mrs. Sandra Akoley Owusu Adjah
Miss Ivanna Edudzi Alou	Ms. Anita Opoku	

Kindly contact the following people with any two specific prayer requests, latest by 12 noon on Wednesday: Mr. Kofi Yeboah - 0244875493 and Mrs. Ruth Opoku - 0509547267. Also, **please update your records with the Church Office.**



MID-WEEK SERVICES SCHEDULE AND OTHER PROGRAMMES

YEAR THEME: "THE MISSION OF JESUS — A CALL TO PARTNERSHIP"
 Coordinator - Mr. Vincent Dogbey (050 852 2834)

DATE	TIME	OFFICIANT	ACTIVITY	SERMON TOPIC	PREACHER
Fri. 2-Mar	10:00pm-4:00am	Ms. Phoebe Washington-Nortey	All-Night Prayer Meeting	"The LORD who answers" (1 Kings 18:30-46)	Prophet Emmanuel Afriyie-Jenkins
Tues. 6-Mar	6:30am-10:00am	Health Walk: "Fit to Serve" Talk: "You are what you eat"		Dress code: Sporty with LIC 40th Anniversary T-shirt	
Wed. 7-Mar	6:30pm-8:00pm	Mrs. Deborah Kyei	Prayer & Teaching Service	"The Believer's Mission: Pressing on to the end" (Philippians 3:7-14)	Rev. Mrs. Agnes Phillips
Wed. 14-Mar	6:30pm-8:30pm	WORSHIP NIGHT ... with Mr. Frank Eleblu as the coordinator			
Wed. 21-Mar	6:30pm-8:30pm	Mr. Collins Gadawusu	BETHESDA MOMENT (John 5:1-9)	To be led by Mr. Kofi Osew. Music by the LIC Choir.	

◇ **PRAYER MEETINGS:**

Sunday Morning: Prayer for Sunday Activities @ 7:30 am - 7:50 am; Sunday Evening: In the Conference Room @ 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm; Monday: In the Vestry @ 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm; Wednesday: Prayer & Teaching Service @ 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm in the Sanctuary, except for 'Bethesda Moment' which will be from 6.30 - 8.30 pm; Saturday: Prayer for Missions @ 7:00 - 8:30am on the Right Verandah of the Sanctuary; All Night Prayer Meeting: 1st Friday of the Month @ 10 pm - 4:00 am in the Sanctuary.

◇ **BIBLE STUDIES:** Sunday: 8:00 - 9:00am; Monday: 6:45 - 8:00pm