#### Sermon Summary for 12th August, 2018

#### **"THE GREAT COMMANDMENT"**

Micah 6: 6 - 8; Mark 12: 28 - 34

#### (Rev. Yaw Boamah)

Jesus is in Jerusalem now, spending time in the Temple and teaching the people. Some people, however, are coming up to Him with questions meant to trap Him. Their goal is to eliminate Him. Now we encounter another questioner. Unlike the others, he is alone and he appears to be teachable- he genuinely wants to learn. His question?

... "Which commandment is the most important of all?"" (Mark 12:28 ESV)

"Jesus answered, "The most important is, 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength." (Mark 12:29-30 ESV) "The second is this: 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."" (Mark 12:31 ESV)

Jesus' answer is directly from Deuteronomy 6:4&5 and He adds Leviticus 19:18&34.

From the Deuteronomy passage cited, Jesus makes two important observations which I call the basis of the Commandment: "The Lord our God, the Lord is one."

The Lord is our God. Our King. We have a covenant relationship with the Lord. It is like the relationship between a subject and a king. (Genesis 12) God chose Abraham and blessed him to be a blessing even to all the nations on earth.

"The Lord is one" (of a kind): unique, has no rival, the highest, the greatest, the best, the loveliest, the deepest... Before Him and after Him there is no other!

v. 29 God wants a relationship characterized by pure devotion and commitment. Love this one Lord, who is our God, with your all. Heart, soul, mind and strength - your all. Jesus was not stating the different components of the human being but expressing total commitment.

The second (of this two-in-one commandment) is this: love for God must be shown to other human beings too.

Application: Jesus and Peter: "Do you love me?" (John 21:15-19) Peter answers in the affirmative. Then and only then does Jesus commission Peter to serve: "Feed my lambs...tend my sheep...feed my sheep".

To each of us (who is a beneficiary of the grace of God, the New Israel) the Lord is saying "Love the Lord your God with your all".

The Lord is asking, "Do you love me?" If your answer is 'yes' then the Lord has another command for you: Spend time with me; Fast; Share my good news; Study my word; Make time to play a role in my service; Fellowship; Give your money to grow my work; and Desire the maximum good for people, they are created in my image...

#### OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE!

There is opportunity to serve in the CHILDREN'S MINISTRY. You do not need any special talents; *just a love for children and a teachable heart*. You will be trained in the skills required. Kindly pick up a Form from the Church Office; fill and return same. You are Saved to Serve!!!

#### This Week's Prayer Topics

Pray for every member of LIC: that we will be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding; that we will walk worthy of the Lord, pleasing Him in every way, being fruitful in every work and increasing in the knowledge of God; that we will be empowered with all power, according to the might of God's glory (Colossians 1:9-11)

- Pray for boldness for believers: that as Christians, we will not be ashamed of the gospel of Christ; ask that we will preach the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ in the demonstration of the Spirit and of power, but never with the enticing words of man's wisdom (1 Corinthians 2:4; Romans 1:16-17)
- Pray that the Lord Himself will comfort all bereaved families in LIC: that the Lord will strengthen and wrap them in His love as they go through this moment of grief. Pray also that their faith in God will grow stronger, and that this experience will draw them closer to the Lord. That the joy of the Lord will be their strength (Psalm 30:5; 2 Corinthians 1:3-4)

#### **<u>CONGRATULATIONS!!!</u>** BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS

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#### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

20 Aug: Prosper & Clara Addo 20 Aug: Manasseh & Rebecca Awuni 21 Aug: Austin & Zchat Okomohwo 22 Aug: Ernest & Celine Owusu-Afari 22 Aug: Emmanuel & Cynthia Sakodie-Arthur 23 Aug: John & Yaa Serwaa Yamoah 24 Aug: Alexander & Afua Akowuah 25 Aug: Peter & Efua Larbi-Yeboa 25 Aug: Mr. You & Dr. Kim

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# 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"

#### FIRST SERVICE: 7:00AM TO 9:00AM

### BIBLE STUDY (NOT OPTIONAL): 9:15AM TO 10:15AM ON SUNDAYS

SECOND SERVICE: 10:30AM TO 12:30PM

## SUNDAY, 19TH AUGUST, 2018 (COMMUNION SERVICE)

Officiant for 1st Service: Officiant for 2nd Service:

Sermon Topic:

Preacher:

Mr. Cudjoe Amenyah Dr. Awo Mana Asiedu

"David's Son or David's Lord?" Mr. Theo Aryee

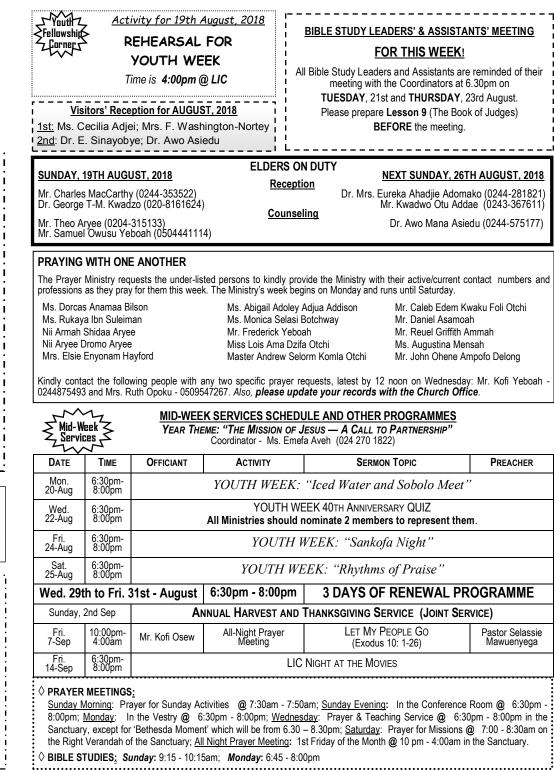
Lectors for 1st Service: Miss Frances Abedu Quashie and Mr. Daniel Twimasie Lectors for 2nd Service: Miss Joana Asante and Mr. Fred Buame

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Scripture Passages:	Jeremiah 23: 5 - 8 and Mark 12: 35 - 40	
Opening Hymn: Pre-Communion Hymn: Closing Hymn:	"Crown him with many crowns" "The Old Rugged Cross" "Have Thine own way, Lord!"	<u>S</u>

# **REFLECTION:** David's son or David's LORD?

They believed the Messiah will be sent by God through David's loins and not God, sent through David's lineage. So we call Him, David's son but David calls <u>H</u>im, his LORD and <u>H</u>e calls him, <u>H</u>is servant – end of story. – JNA (August - 2018)

NEXT SUNDAY, 26TH AUGUST, 2018 — YOUTH SUNDAY Service Starts @ 8:00am with Bible Studies Joint Service @ 9:15am	
Officiant:	Ms. Davis Kaufmann
Sermon Topic: Preachers:	"Stirring up Love and Fellowship" Various Speakers
Lectors:	Yaw Agyemang Sarpong and Maame Adjoa Afful
Scripture Passages:	Hebrews 10: 24 - 25 and Acts 2: 42 - 47
Notices:	Ms. Melody Vanderpuye-Orgle



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