

PENTECOST METHODIST CHURCH

LIVE-IT-OUT GUIDE

Sermon Date: 22/05/2022

Text(s): 2 Chronicles 28:1–15; Luke 10:30–37

Sermon Title: Love God By Loving Our Enemy

Preacher: Bishop Dr Gordon Wong

(The sermon recording is available in the PMC website and MyPMC App)

READ (5 mins)

Take the time and read **2 Chronicles 28:1–15** and **Luke 10:30–37** together in your own bibles.

RELATE (30 mins)

(Relate to what was shared and on key themes in the sermon)

- 1. Methodists celebrate Aldersgate Day because it was on Aldersgate Street, London (24 May 1738) that John Wesley had an experience which he described in these words: *I felt my heart strangely warmed*. The preacher said that emphasizing the head for correct thinking, the hands for correct doing and the heart for correct feeling are all important. What might happen if we ignore or neglect one or two of the three emphases? Share your thoughts and even some examples from history.**
- 2. The focus of the sermon is loving our enemies. But 2 Chronicles 28:1–15 point to brothers who had become each other's enemies. Have you seen brothers of the same family ending up becoming enemies? Have you seen brothers of the same church family ending up becoming enemies? How can we prevent this from happening in our LG and our church family?**

REFLECT (30 mins)

(Reflect and apply God's word to our daily lives)

- 1. In giving the story of the Good Samaritan, Jesus focused on our social and cultural enemies instead of on our military enemies. Do you have a social/cultural/theological enemy? Whether we have any enemies or not, how can we avoid getting into an actual fight with people different from us? Share some biblical principles we can gain wisdom from and obey.**

2. The preacher shared a modern version of the parable of the Good Samaritan. What were your thoughts as you listened to that version? What were some learning points you picked up from the story?

REST (15 mins)

(Take time to share and pray for one another)

(Pray for our church, our nation, and our world. See MyPMC > PRAY for monthly guide)

- Pray for one another to be willing to humble ourselves to recognize that we too are sinners who need others to show us compassion and mercy.
- Pray for our church to be a people who will show compassion even to those totally different from us, even those who oppose us.
- Pray for the MCS to continue to be strong and stable, able to meet needs in Singapore, and to stand out as a true witness of Christ Jesus.