

# **PENTECOST METHODIST CHURCH**

## *LIVE-IT-OUT GUIDE*

**Sermon Date: 07/11/2021**

**Text(s): Psalm 122**

**Sermon Title: Stewardship – Going To The House Of The Lord**

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

### **READ (5 mins)**

#### **Psalm 122:1–9 (NKJV)**

- 1** I was glad when they said to me, “Let us go into the house of the LORD.”
- 2** Our feet have been standing Within your gates, O Jerusalem!
- 3** Jerusalem is built As a city that is compact together,
- 4** Where the tribes go up, The tribes of the LORD, To the Testimony of Israel, To give thanks to the name of the LORD.
- 5** For thrones are set there for judgment, The thrones of the house of David.
- 6** Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: “May they prosper who love you.
- 7** Peace be within your walls, Prosperity within your palaces.”
- 8** For the sake of my brethren and companions, I will now say, “Peace *be* within you.”
- 9** Because of the house of the LORD our God I will seek your good.

### **RELATE (30 mins)**

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

- 1. At the Baptism & Membership services, we vow to be faithful in serving, giving, praying, and attending. Does anyone remember what the pastor actually says which is followed by the members saying, “We will”?**
- 2. Psalm 122 is one of the psalms of ascent. The Israelites would sing these psalms when they make their pilgrimage to Jerusalem three times a year to participate in the 3 major festivals. These psalms were especially meaningful after the people returned from their captivity in Babylon (538 BC). Can you relate to this, after not being able to attend church service on-site last year?**
- 3. The travel to Jerusalem for worship 3 times a year was relatively easy for those who lived near Jerusalem. No trouble at all for those who lived in Jerusalem itself. But it was very challenging for those who lived far from Jerusalem. Have you faced challenges in coming for corporate worship on-site? How can we overcome those challenges together as a life group?**

### **REFLECT (30 mins)**

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

- 1. After Israel split into two kingdoms, their spiritual life deteriorated over time. Those in the northern kingdom of Israel no longer travelled down to worship at the Temple at Jerusalem which was in the southern kingdom of Judah. Even those in the south became cold in their love for God. Can this happen to us here in Singapore whether we live far or near from Pasir Ris Drive 6? If yes, what are some factors that can contribute to this?**
  
- 2. As a life group what can we do to help one another draw closer to God and have a greater desire for spiritual activities, including participating in corporate worship by attending on-site worship service? Think about how you can help. Share also how you would like *to be helped*.**

### **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 long to be found in the presence of the Lord Jesus to worship, read Scripture, and meditate on God's Word as He speaks to us by His Spirit.
- Pray for our church to be a people who understand the importance of corporate worship and have a deep desire to worship together with the family of God.
- Pray for the MCS to continue to be strong and stable, able to meet needs in Singapore, and stand out as a true witness of Christ Jesus.