*My* The Fullness of Life

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## WORSHIP

*Suggested Worship Songs:* Joy to the World, Hark the Herald, Your Name

# WELCOME

How would you live your life if you knew you only have a week until Jesus Christ returns?

# WORD

## John 1:1-18

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being. 4 In Him was life, and the life was the Light of men. 5 The Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it. 6 There came a man sent from God, whose name was John. 7 He came as a witness, to testify about the Light, so that all might believe through him. 8 He was not the Light, but he came to testify about the Light. 9 There was the true Light which, coming into the world, enlightens every man. 10 He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. 11 He came to His own, and those who were His own did not receive Him. 12 But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name, 13 who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God. 14 And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth. 15 John \*testified about Him and cried out, saying, "This was He of whom I said, 'He who comes after me has a higher rank than I, for He existed before me.'" 16 For of His fullness we have all received, and grace upon grace. 17 For the Law was given through Moses; grace and truth were realized through Jesus Christ. 18 No one has seen God at any time; the only begotten God who is in the bosom of the Father, He has explained Him.

Are you living a life that is full?Is there a better life than 1.**We MUST KNOW Him.** "In the beginning was the Word, the one you are living today?

The renowned Russian author Leo Tolstoy once asked these questions: "What is the meaning of life, and why should I live?" "If life inevitably ends in death, what is the purpose of living?"Tolstoy was one of the greatest and most influential authors of all time, yet even at the pinnacle of success he felt empty. He struggled to reconcile the reality of death and the purpose of life, and found no answer even amidst all his accomplishments. Like Tolstoy, many of us also live our lives is search for purpose and meaning.Sadly, we often pursue it by chasing after money, success, status, and other worldly passions, only to find that these could not really satisfy us. There is a void in our lives that no

worldly success can fill, an emptiness and search for meaning that only God can answer.

So how can we live a life that is full? Last Sunday, Bro. Jun shared with us the 3 MUSTs for us to discover the fullness of life. 1.We MUST KNOW Him. "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God" (John 1:1). The Word was Jesus, He was with God before creation, He was God, and "All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being (John 1:3). To discover the fullness of life, we must know the very source of life - Jesus Christ. Through Him there is a light that has the power to dispel darkness, a light that can offer a full life to those who dwell in Him.

2.**We MUST RECEIVE Him.** Jesus desires for us to live a life that is full, one that is spiritually abundant characterised by a deep, fulfilling relationship with Him. "There came a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness, to testify about the Light, so that all might believe through him" (John 1: 6-7). Just as he sent John as the messenger announcing Jesus' arrival, He often also sends messengers into our lives to lead us to Jesus, the true light.His desire is to bring us out of the darkness by making us realise that we are sinners in need of a saviour, and to bring us into the light by asking us to believe and receive Jesus' free gift of salvation. To discover the fullness of life, we must receive Jesus as our Lord and Saviour, and begin our journey towards a deep, fulfilling relationship with Him.

3.We MUST LIVE with Him. "For the Law was given to Moses; grace and truth were realised through Jesus Christ" (John 1: 17). The Law demanded justice, but God who is holy and gracious, sent His only Son Jesus to take all the punishment we deserve for our sins by dying for us on the cross. In receiving Jesus as our Lord and Saviour, we also receive the gift of eternal life, "For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ our Lord" (Romans 6:23). Life no longer inevitably ends in death, and we can find new purpose as live eternally with Christ and grow in our relationship with Him. And what a privilege it is to live surrounded by His glory "And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth" (John 1: 14). What a joy it is to live in His presence and purpose, "One thing I have asked from the Lord, that I shall seek: That I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord And to meditate in His temple" (Psalm 27: 4).

## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

1. Please share what God has revealed to you about Him & about your life from the message today?

2. Can you share what a full life means to you? And can you say that you are living the life God wants you to have—a

To live a life that is full starts with knowing, believing, and receiving Jesus as our Lord and Saviour.Through Him, death is no longer the end, and we find new purpose and meaning as we grow in His presence and in our relationship with Him.

life that is full?

3. Please share how you can be a witness of Jesus' light and testify about Him to others. Could you also share some practical ways to do this?

# WORKS

## **PRAY CARE SHARE IN ACTION**

Pray for the salvation of loved ones who are not in Christ yet. Spend time with them and take the time to listen to their concerns. Connect them to God's Word and share the good news of salvation through Christ--- Who is returning soon!

## MEMORY VERSE

## John 1:14

14 And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.

## WEEKLY PRAYER POINTS

#### I. Thanksgiving

 Worship God for who He is, what He has done, and what He will do in our lives.

#### I. Country and the World

- Upright and moral governance of public servants; ٠ repentance and salvation for government leaders and citizens for a Christ-centered Philippines.
- War in Ukraine to end, loss of lives prevented; tension ٠ in the West Philippine Sea to be peacefully resolved.
- Continue to pray for the rest of Israeli hostages to be ٠ restored to their families safely. Pray for Israel and the war with terrorists to end according to God's purpose and for His glory.
- For the civil war in Syria to end peacefully, protection ٠ for Christians and other minorities; that there will be freedom from oppression for Syrians. Pray for the gospel to spread rapidly throughout the country.

## I. Church

- That CCF Members would honor and love God and make disciples.
- Elders, pastors, dleaders, and families (holy, humble, harmonious, happy, heart-working).
- Ministries and churches expansion worldwide.
- **IV. CCF Facilities** 
  - Worship and Training Center
  - Prayer Mountain