

*Last Sunday message....*

### **The Shepherd and His sheep (John 10:22-30)**

This incidence occurred in winter at Jerusalem in the Temple during the Feast of Dedication (also known as Feast of Lights /Hanukkah) started under the leadership of Judas Maccabeus 165BC.(after Antiochus Epiphanes had defiled the temple by sacrificing a pig on the altar of burnt offering)

**The danger of unbelief:** though the Jewish leaders were asking the identity of Jesus, their motive was not to follow or believe in Him but to accuse and arrest Him. How long? **As if their unbelief was the Lord Jesus's fault!** People always try to blame someone else for their own sins. Even Adam blamed Eve and Eve in turn blamed the serpent in the Garden of Eden. *But for those who are willing to believe it is not difficult,* e.g. John 1:41, 44, John 4:28,29,42 etc. His life, His words and His miracles cannot convince them. They were not willing to believe or accept Him. We better be willing to believe! Their refusal to belief proved them not true sheep of the Lord.

**My sheep listen to My voice** (27). This is where the Shepherd introduced **His true sheep** saying “My sheep **listen** to My voice” *Not just hear but listen means attentive to Him.* At times the Lord Jesus concludes His message (Gospels & Revelation) by saying ‘*he who has an ear let him hear*’. Our days are full of too many noises but let’s *make effort to listen to Him, daily and not only once a week.*

**I know them:** It is good for us to know that He knows each one of us personally. Every detail, every single cell of our body, our mind, soul, spirit, imagination, fears, problems, difficulties; our past, present situation and our future- everything! This fact gives us comfort and confidence.

**They follow Me:** what a commendation. When He calls us He calls us to Himself – “**follow Me**” Mat 4:19, Jn 1:43. **Jesus wants us to follow Him in His terms and not in our own terms.** In John 21:19-22 when Peter asked the Lord Jesus about ‘the disciple whom Jesus loved’ following Him by saying “what about him?” Jesus told Peter something like “it’s none of your business, *you just follow Me*”. We are called to follow Him not just for few days but seven days a week; 365 days a year till the end. Be encouraged by Enoch who walked with God 365 years! Our daily walk determines our destination! If we are not following Him then we are going the opposite way. But as long as we are on His side we are not minority because He is on our side.

**I give them eternal life** (28). Eternal life is knowing God in Jesus Christ. Not only in the future but here and now that’s high quality life empowered by the Spirit of Christ.

**They shall never perish:** because we are in His hands and in the Father’s hands (29) we are doubly secure. No one can snatch us out of His hands. *The sheep’s security is in the power of the Shepherd.*

**I and the Father are one** (30): means I am God. He also said at other time “anyone who has seen Me has seen the Father”. He is the image of the invisible God. More than the Messiah He declares that He is God.  
- Dr Ahokhe Shikhu



CHRIST THE POWER OF GOD AND  
THE WISDOM OF GOD

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# City Church

## 17th Foundation Day cum Thanksgiving

### Sunday Service

Leader	: M.Odyuo
Speaker	: Kedo Peseyie
Ushers	: Bendang Jamir & Myingthungo Ngullie
Flower	: Women's Department

### Praise & Worship

Welcome & Announcement

How Can I Keep From Singing? - Children's choir

Reading : A New Song

### Mass Prayer

About City Church : Dr. Ahokhe Shikhu

Thanksgiving Offering

Special Song : Viketuo Chupuo

Message

Closing Song : Christ Be Our Light

Benediction

### VISION statement of the City Church:

*City Church seeks to honor and worship Jesus Christ as Lord and the only God; and to build the Body of Christ (The Church) with all who love Him as disciples, proclaiming Him as the Savior to all nations.*

### AIMS of the City Church:

**Worship:** *To Worship God and exalt His name together as a Church.*

**Fellowship:** *To build the body of Christ with all who love Him through mutual sharing, help and growth.*

**Evangelism:** *To witness for Christ both by proclamation and by lifestyle so as to cause others to experience God's great salvation.*

**Discipleship:** *To establish members as disciples of Jesus Christ through systematic Bible Studies and teaching and equip them for effective service.*

**Mission:** *To send out people in obedience to God's call and command to reach the un-reached for Christ.*

### PRAYER

- Praise God for his faithfulness and leading upon the church till today. Pray that the church would continue to grow more into the likeness of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- Pray that the church would uphold its Vision and Aims with sincerity and seriousness.
- Pray for those children who attended Sunday School Bible Study Camp held last week that each of them would continue to grow in the Lord.
- Pray for the ongoing church construction work for God's protection upon the workers, wisdom and leading upon those who are involved.

## A New Song

Sing to the LORD a new song,  
for he has done marvellous things;  
his right hand and his holy arm  
have worked salvation for him.  
The LORD has made his salvation known  
and revealed his righteousness to the nations.  
He has remembered his love  
and his faithfulness to Israel;  
all the ends of the earth have seen  
the salvation of our God.

Unless the LORD builds the house,  
the builders labor in vain.  
Unless the LORD watches over the city,  
the guards stand watch in vain.  
In vain you rise early  
and stay up late,  
toiling for food to eat—  
for he grants sleep to those he loves.

Sing to the LORD a new song;  
sing to the LORD, all the earth.  
Sing to the LORD, praise his name;  
proclaim his salvation day after day.  
Declare his glory among the nations,  
his marvellous deeds among all peoples.  
For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise;  
he is to be feared above all gods.  
(*Psalm 98:1-3, Psalm 127:1-2, Psalm 96: 1-4*)

**DISCIPLESHIP CLASS:** The 2nd edition of the discipleship class will be on **12th July 2017 (Wednesday)**. This will be clubbed together with the Wednesday Prayer and Bible study. Please pray, plan and participate.

### ENROUTE

**Staying right with God:** It is important to stay right with God. By faith we remain right with God and Jesus Christ. Some key aspects involved in it: **Obedience to God:** It does not make us right with God nor earn us salvation but it is an outward expression of our belief. It brings one into a close relationship with God (Jer 7:23); **Good Deeds:** They are indicative of being right with God. As such, it proves that one's faith is valid (James 2:26); **Live by the Spirit:** we are set free from the bondage of sin and law and such is not permitted to sin but to be focused on living by the Holy Spirit (Rom 7:6; Gal 5:16) and finally, **Live in Christ:** Believers need to be dependent on Jesus Christ and act in a way consistent with Jesus and His teachings (John 15:4-6, 10; Col 2:5-7)

### Information

- There will be Lord's Supper service on the 9th July.
- Women fellowship every Thursday @ 5pm.
- To avail transportation for Sunday service, contact Myingthungo Humtsoe @ 9402936043/8794172936.
- Children's choir practise every Saturday at 4pm.
- There will be executive meeting on 9th July after the service.
- Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study, **5pm - 6pm.**

### **Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

Tithes: ₹ 19,350

Offering: ₹ 16,704

Thanksgiving: ₹ 3,000

Mission: ₹ 50,000

Nagamese: ₹ 615

Total: ₹ 89,544

### NOTES: