<u>4 April 2010</u> - Preached by Dr Tow Siang Hwa Message Topic: **I Know My Redeemer Lives**

Scripture Text: Job 19: 25-27

- 1. The Bible tells that Job was an upright man who feared God. He also had a concern for the spiritual well-being of his children and prayed for them often. May we learn from the life of Job to fear God.
- 2. Job was blessed by the Lord with many earthly goods. One day, Satan went into the presence of God to "complain" about Job that he loved God only because of the earthly blessings he received. God allowed Satan to test Job. In one day, Job lost all his earthly goods and children. Later, he was inflicted with boils all over his body.
- 3. When Job's wife asked him to curse God and die, Job said these words "Naked came I out of my mother's womb, naked shall I return thither; The Lord gave, the Lord taketh away, blessed be the Name of the Lord." Job would still cling on to God to trust Him even when God "slays" me. He knows God is true and he will not turn away from the true and living God.
- 4. Job also observed that when a tree is cut off, yet after a while, it will spring forth and come back to life again. Then God gave him the spiritual insight to know that there is life after death. When he trusts in the Lord, though he will die from this earth, he will be given a new resurrected life.
- 5. The book of Thessalonians tells us that when Jesus comes, the dead in Christ will rise first and then those that are alive will be caught up (rapture). All this will happen in a twinkling of an eye. Believers will be given a new glorified body. This is the glorious hope that every Christian looks forward to.