

31 December 2012: Preached by Rev Stephen Khoo

Topic: **Number Our Days**

Scripture Text: Psalm 90:1-12

1. THE NEED to look at our relationship with God—man's relationship with God
  - a. The most IMPORTANT TRUTH is: there is God.
  - b. We (Man) have our being (existence) because of Him (vv.1-2):
  - c. Without Him, nothing exists.
  - d. No God, No Man, period.
2. The LORD is YAHWEH the God of the Bible.
  - a. He is the God whom Jesus Christ came to reveal 2,000 years ago.
  - b. He is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of Israel.
  - c. He is THE Living & True God.
  - d. There is None Else.
  - e. YAHWEH IS the Self-Existent GOD.
    - i. God describes Himself as: I AM THAT I AM
    - ii. Even before there were mountains and the world (v.2) HE WAS THERE!
    - iii. He IS HERE NOW.
    - iv. He WILL BE THERE FUTURE [beyond the grave]
    - v. He was and is and will be from everlasting to everlasting: He is God!!
3. There is God and Man, whom He created.
  - a. Man is under God's judgment and condemnation because he has sinned against Him.
  - b. BUT God calls man to repent and return to Him.
4. Let us do some calculations.
  - a. Given our life span is 70 years or a bonus of 10 – total 80 years
  - b. Our life is soon no more on earth—*gone, gone, gone!!!*
  - c. Let us play with some NUMBERS:  
1 year = 365 days  
NOW 70 years = 25,550 days  
Bonus 10 years = 3,650 days  
TOTAL: 29,200 days

#### LIFE STAGES OF A PERSON

If life span is 70 years (25,550 days)  
From BIRTH – AGE 6 nothing very significant  
AGE 7 – 17 preparing /schooling  
AGE 18 – 25 apprentice-training or tertiary education,  
Birth to Age 25 – 45 Work in the commercial work, your prime years!  
Age 45 – 55/65 SLOWING DOWN/ RETIRING  
Age 65 – 70/80 Retiring/Retired/bed-ridden

#### At which point are you?

At Age 30 ---- you have 25 years left or 9,125 days left  
At Age 35 ---- you have 20 years left or 7,300 days left  
At Age 40 ---- you have 15 years left or 5,475 days left  
At Age 50 ---- you have 5 years left or 1,825 days left

#### SO WHAT—WHAT TO DO

1. God has made us to live forever to be with Him to honour and glorify Him
2. But because of man's sin, we are judged and condemned, separated from God eternally.
3. But God has provided the way in Christ Jesus for all to return to Him:  
Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shall be saved.

4. Psalm 90:12 So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.
  - a. Number our days (my) we have done that
  - b. It's scary; our remaining days and hours are so short (v.10)
  - c. How unexpectedly or unknowingly 2012 is ending, never to come back again!
5. WE MUST APPLY OUR HEART UNTO WISDOM.  
Read verses 13-17  
Observe the VERBS
  - v. 13 Return, O LORD, ....
  - v. 14 O satisfy us early with ...
  - v. 15 Make us glad ....
  - v. 16 Let Thy work appear ...
  - v. 17 And let the beauty of ..
6. Think of the PEOPLE whom we relate, consider the changes to be made of our PRIORITIES AND PERFORMANCES.