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Speaker: Rev Clement Chew Topic: To Forgive Is Divine

Scripture text: Colossians 3:12-13

1. It is in the sinful nature of men to be vindictive. However, a Christian whose life has been transformed will have a forgiving spirit. He has the duty to forgive others for personal injustices, even as he has experienced the forgiveness of God.

- 2. The divine example of forgiveness is Jesus Christ when He cleansed us of all our sins with His precious blood. Christ set His love upon us and chose to extend His forgiveness while we were His enemies. Christians have been divinely chosen by the Most High God and our highest duty is to serve and love Him by (1) being pure in our ways and set apart for His use, (2) being compassionate and tender-hearted towards one another, (3) doing good to others, (4) having a lowliness of mind and esteeming others better than self and (5) enduring difficult people with patience and without resentment.
- 3. As Christ forgave us of our sins, so also do we with all sincerity and readiness.