

MIRACLE SERVICE REPORT

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Who lays claim to your soul – God or the devil? In his message entitled **The Claim On Your Soul**, Pastor Rony moved us to ponder this critical issue.

Pastor commenced his sermon with a riveting account of Shawn Weed's hell testimony. His friends thought it would be funny to take a picture of Shawn playing dead with a noose around his neck. What started as a prank went horribly wrong as the rope tightened around Shawn's neck, strangling him. Suddenly, Shawn found himself in a dark, quiet room as his spirit left his body. It was unlike any place he had ever been to. There was a thickness in the air and he felt like he was standing in a vast area with no ground. As he frantically looked for an exit, he realized the only light was a dim one emitting from his own form.

It seemed he was trapped in a parallel plane that stretched on forever. There were no doors, walls or windows. As fear gripped him, Shawn felt a very large hand grip his left shoulder from his neck to the entire breadth of his shoulder. Its fingers came down to the bottom of his chest. Pain shot through him like bolts of electricity with a pounding sensation that would not stop. The hand was red with black oily substance crawling like a cloud beneath its skin.

The 13-foot grotesque demon was smiling at Shawn as he turned to take a look at the owner of the hand. It took the form of a muscular man with two arms and legs, one mouth, one nose and two gold-colored, diamond-shaped eyes like a snake. It had yellow teeth with two tusks coming out of its mouth like a wild pig.

Shawn knew he could not fight this thing. It probably weighed a few thousand pounds. It threw him over his shoulder and started moving for what felt like a hundred miles an hour. Shawn knew that it was hopeless to fight as the demon had total control. There was nothing he could do to get away. As hope drained away, Shawn knew he was being taken to hell.

Then a light appeared. Like a small star far off in the night sky, Shawn thought it was so tiny it couldn't possibly help him. Then like a flash of lightning, the brightly-lit angel was right beside them stretching out his hand toward Shawn. As soon as their hands touched, the demon stopped moving. Now it was really angry. Who dared stop him? He was ready to fight till its death.

Although the angel was significantly smaller than the monster, it rushed forward with an open palm to hit the demon. The force was so great that his hand was ripped from Shawn's shoulder and flew backwards. And then just as quickly as it all started, the angel told Shawn that it was not his time yet and sent him back to his awaiting body. After that experience, Shawn was never the same again. ▶

◀ As the front of the Sanctuary filled quickly during the altar call at the Miracle Service that night, I saw many people moved to believe in Jesus or to rededicate their lives to Him by the testimony of this young, average American man called Shawn Weed.

You know, at the end of your life's journey here on earth, your body dies and your soul separates from it. There is a place called Heaven and a place called hell; that is as real as the ground you are standing on. Your destination depends entirely on who lays claim to your soul.

The Bible tells us in Matthew 8:11-12 that all who are outside the Kingdom of God will be thrown into "darkness where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." In order to be in His Kingdom, one needs to have a relationship with God. It's not just about proper behavior or extreme knowledge of Him.

In John 8, Jesus tells God's chosen people, the Jews, that they were from their father, the devil. Although they were God's "chosen people", they were still bound in sin and darkness. In order to be born again into the Kingdom of God, one needs to be cleansed of his sins by accepting Jesus Christ into his heart.

Status or being what the world labels a good man bears no weight when it comes to who lays claim to your soul. Shawn was neither a murderer nor a child rapist; he wasn't even a thief. He was an average, ordinary man who never thought he was bad.

Is that you? Don't let the devil claim your soul when your fleeting life here on earth is over. Hold onto Jesus and make sure you never let Him go. A relationship with Him is most fulfilling.

And of course, a Miracle Service is not one without miracles! There were many that night, and here are three of them.

Bob Tay, aged 58, fell and hit his head but only felt the effects of the fall one month later. One day he realized that he was **unable to move and think, becoming almost semi-conscious**. His wife, a Gospelighter, sensed something was not right, immediately called for an ambulance which brought him to the hospital. Knowing God's ability to heal her husband, she activated prayers from her cell members and church staff.

The doctors found **extreme bleeding in the brain** that could cause stroke or even death. However, after a surgery was performed to drain the excess blood from Bob's brain, he was declared well and the operation a success. Praise the Lord for healing and keeping him from a potentially fatal incident.

This was a very strange case of prolonged, chronic cough. Cloud Marli Lee suffered from **chronic cough and soreness of the throat** for almost six years. After going to many doctors and trying different kinds of medication, she realized nothing helped. She started coming to the Miracle Service with her husband in April this year and progressively received her healing. She made a promise to give God the glory when she was completely healed, and here she was on stage this evening, praising Him for her healing. Hallelujah!

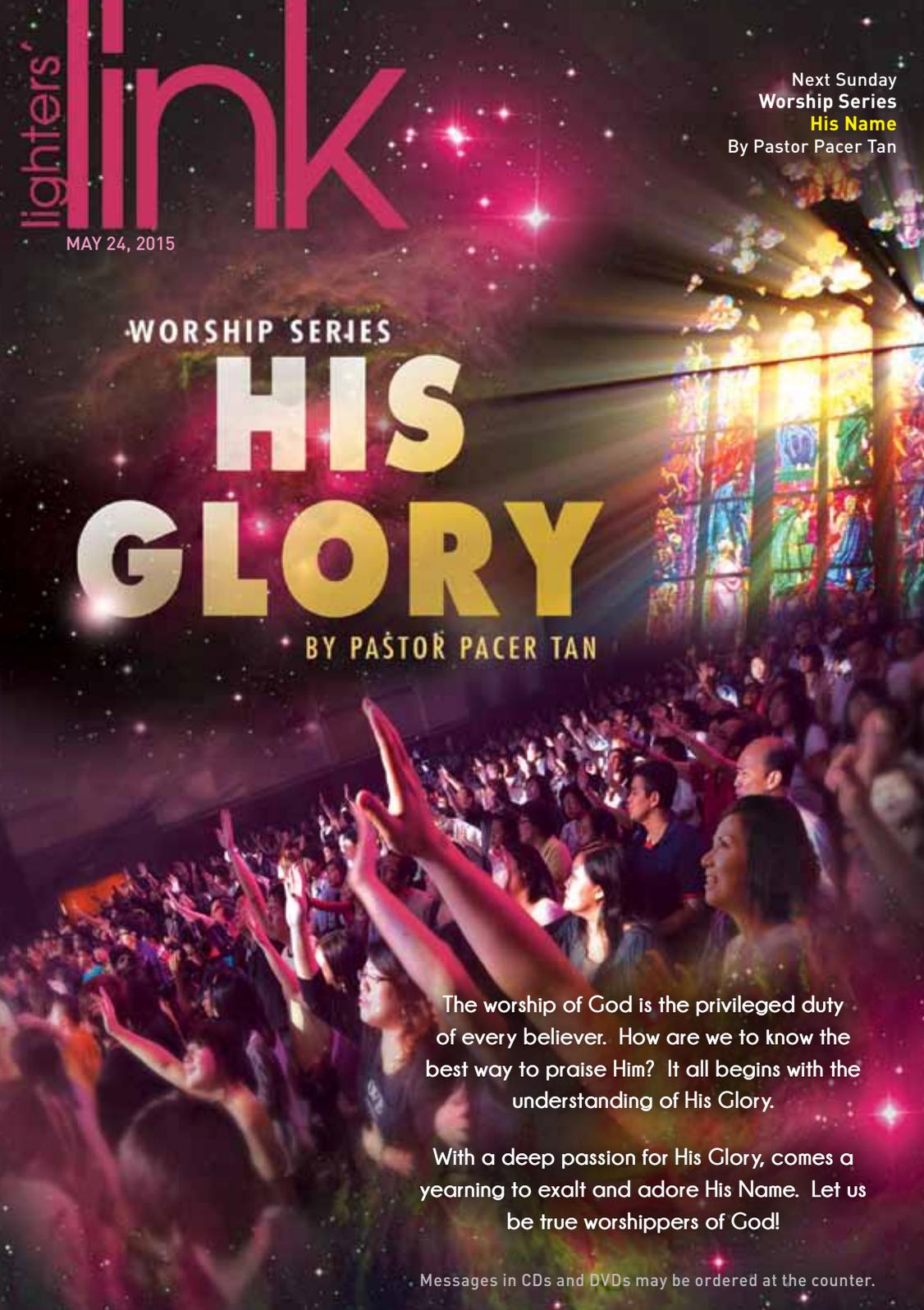
Jeanette Lim had many things to thank God for. But tonight, she testified of **God's amazing protection**. A couple of Sundays ago while preparing breakfast for her husband, her stove exploded, damaging her pots and cabinet. However, even though Jeanette was standing right in front of it, she sustained only minor burns on her stomach. It was a miracle that her upper body and face were not burned at all. Besides such wonderful protection, Jeanette, who has been attending the Miracle Service faithfully for the past five years, also testified of her **healing from cancer** some years ago.

GOD IS INDEED A GOOD GOD!



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WORSHIP SERIES

HIS GLORY

BY PASTOR PACER TAN

Next Sunday
Worship Series
His Name
By Pastor Pacer Tan

The worship of God is the privileged duty of every believer. How are we to know the best way to praise Him? It all begins with the understanding of His Glory.

With a deep passion for His Glory, comes a yearning to exalt and adore His Name. Let us be true worshippers of God!

Messages in CDs and DVDs may be ordered at the counter.

**TODAY'S
PRE-SERVICE UPPERLIGHT
PRAYER ITEMS**

**1 RESTORATION OF
NEPAL AFTER RECENT
EARTHQUAKES**

- God's mercy, grace, provision and restoration upon Nepal
- Healing of their physical, mental and emotional health

2 SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

- Time for building strong family relationships
- Journey mercies and divine protection upon those going overseas on holiday

**MAY 28
THURSDAY UPPERLIGHT
PRAYER ITEMS**

- Miracle Service
- Healing of Blood Disorders
- Sunday Services and Weekdays' Activities
- Warfare Prayer:
 - Insecurity - Domination
 - Jealousy - Manipulation
- School Holidays

**MIRACLE
SERVICE**

ON EVERY 2ND SATURDAY

Matthew 28:19 (NIV)
Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

On every second Saturday of the month, Pastor Rony's faith-inspiring message at the Miracle Service will be interpreted on stage from English to Mandarin, Hokkien or Cantonese.

Here's the interpretation schedule for the next three months:

On June 13 English to Hokkien
On July 11 English to Mandarin
On August 8 English to Cantonese

Let's reach out to our loved ones and friends for the Lord. Bring them to our Miracle Service every Saturday at 7.00 pm. Together, we will faithfully fulfill the Great Commission.



DIALECT SERVICES

ON SUNDAY, JUNE 14

Priscilla Gan (甘艳缤), an evangelist and Gospel singer from Indonesia, will be at the 11.00 am and 3.00 pm Dialect services in Lighthouse Tampines on Sunday, June 14. She will be rendering Gospel songs and sharing her testimony in Hokkien, with interpretation in Cantonese.

She came from a Buddhist family. When she came to know the Lord, God miraculously healed her of insomnia and gave her the ability to write Gospel songs. To date, she has written about 500 songs and recorded five albums.

Many souls have been saved and healed through her ministry in Indonesia, Singapore, Malaysia and China. Come and be blessed by her ministry in our church on June 14. Don't come alone, bring someone with you.



**AN EXTRACT FROM THE BOOK
BREAKTHROUGH**

WRITTEN BY PASTOR RONY

THE VICTORY

Creative ideas always come to people who are focused and disciplined. Consequently, they seem to be at the right place and time to receive the creativity of God. Actually, they are in the right attitude and are better prepared to recognize and seize God-given ideas.

Gideon formed three bands out of the 300 soldiers and he led one band himself. Each of the men took a trumpet and a torch hidden in a jar. At a given signal, they would surround the mighty army of the Midianites, the Amalekites and the Eastern races. Then they would rush down to the enemies below with a surprise blitz. This was to be the scare tactics that Gideon would use to generate sudden loud noises and sudden bursts of bright lights as the men would smash the jars to reveal the torches.

When they got closer to the camps of the enemies at a given signal, the blitz attack began. The enemies were so confounded that they began killing each other while many ran away. The other tribes of Israel gave chase and killed them.

One of the tribes, Ephraim, began to complain against Gideon after the victory. They accused Gideon of not inviting them to fight against the enemies. If the Ephraimites really wanted to participate in the first place, they could have because there was such a widespread mobilization and enlistment. They couldn't have missed the desperate call for help.

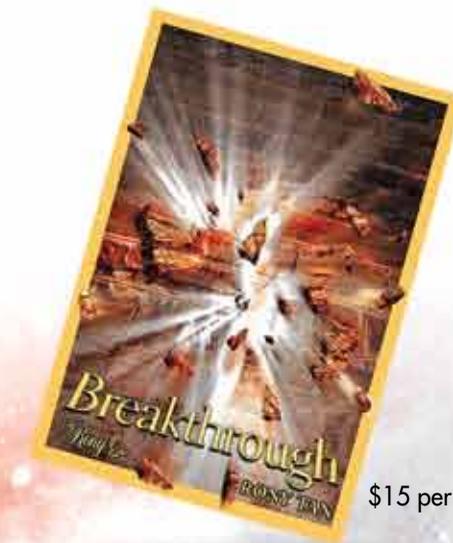
Notice that Gideon did not react to them. It would be stupid to win such a mighty battle only to lose his peace over such a silly trifle. So this mighty warrior of valor was nice about it.

There will always be complainers, murmurers and grumblers even though the victory has been secured. Some people make things happen. Some people wait for things to happen. Some people hinder things from happening. Some people wonder what is happening. The ill-disciplined people will always have thing to complain about.

I realize that if I have sound policies that require discipline, I will, in due time, weed out those who refuse to be disciplined. In the process, I will retain the positive and disciplined people. These people will become the special breed or the dream team.

Gideon and the 300 men brought peace to his nation for the next 40 years. In fact, as long as Gideon lived, there was peace in the land.

Let history record itself. As long as there is a special breed of Lighters, there will be victory and breakthrough in our land. Let a renewal and revival prevail in our nation.



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STAY TEACHABLE

BY RUBEL SHELLY

Matthew 13:52 (NLT)
[Jesus said,] "Every teacher of religious law who becomes a disciple in the Kingdom of Heaven is like a homeowner who brings from his storeroom new gems of truth as well as old."

One of my all-time favorite quotes is from legendary basketball coach John Wooden: What really counts in life is what you learn after you know it all.

After the initial chuckle, that is an ouch-maker for most of us. The older we get, the more set in our ways we are likely to be. The older we get, the harder it is to master new skills and adapt to new paradigms. The older we get, the more likely we are to tune out ideas that would require re-thinking a point of view.

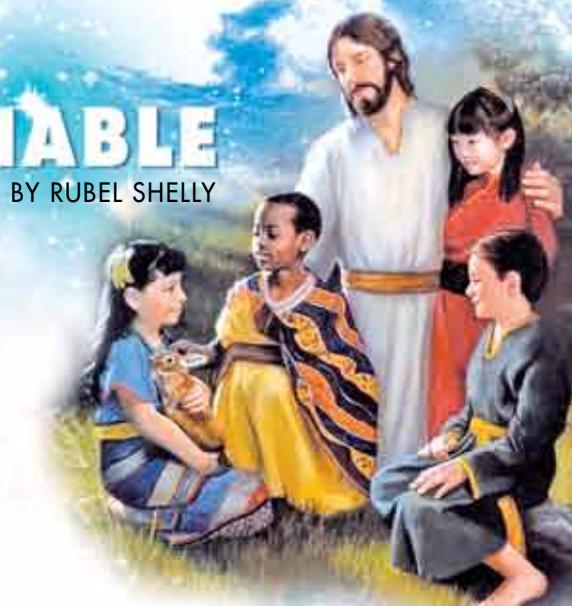
I wonder how all you older accountants and CPAs felt about replacing those pale green ledger sheets and sharp pencils with computer software — software that required one of those newfangled machines called a computer! Do you know anybody who said it was just a fad that wouldn't last?

How does a physician stay current with new medications, diagnostic tools, and therapies?

How does an attorney stay abreast of changes in the law?

How does a professor stay current in areas of scholarly research?

A key to success in every profession or business is teachability. You can get left behind pretty quickly these days. So a really good educational experience bears little resemblance to indoctrination — the memorization of fixed right answers. Instead, education is the mastering of good tools that allow one to do credible research and the fostering of a mindset that is willing to test everything.



In one's personal spiritual life, pride is among the deadliest of sins for the simple reason that it prohibits learning. The idea is not that we should vacillate as doubting, ambivalent souls. Conviction is admirable. However, informed convictions are eager to entertain questions, consider new ideas, and face new challenges. Rigid dogmatism is what is offended by these. And Jesus rebuked folks who wouldn't think or grow.

Don't you suspect openness to instruction was a big part of Jesus' charge that his followers be child-like?

Matthew 18:3
Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

More good ideas have been killed with "We've never done it that way before" than with good reasons as to why it shouldn't be done some new way.

Maybe the young learn with more eagerness because they aren't afraid to fail. Perhaps the reason older people or firms or churches learn so little so slowly is that pride makes us unwilling to take the risks necessary for progress.

Prejudice against all things new is self-defeating and unworthy of people in God's image. There are no uninteresting ideas, only disinterested people.