### SERMON & PRAYER NOTES

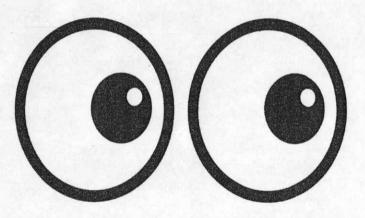
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We only care about where you're going...

Holy Spirit Community Church 'Seeking God's will, Sharing God's love'

Sunday February 4th 2024



## **Directional sight**

Pastor Charlie

Three men were being chased. Suddenly, they came to a cliff top with the ocean waters far below. Seeing the moon shining brightly in the night sky, they agreed that if they could jump to the moon, they would be safe. The first man, a cripple, hobbled as fast as he could and leapt from the cliff. He jumped less than a metre before he fell screaming to the jagged rocks below. The other two men agreed that he hadn't jumped far enough. So the second man, of average fitness, took a running leap. He flew out five metres before he, too, plummeted to the jagged rocks far below.

The last man, the strongest of the three, decided he should take an extra long run-up to reach the moon. So, at great speed he leapt from the cliff. He soared through the air with outstretched arms in order to reach the moon, but he, too, fell short and plummeted screaming to the jagged rocks below. He had leapt an impressive eight metres; however, he didn't realize that the distance to the moon was 221 463 miles.

The distance between our righteousness and God's righteousness is greater than the distance between the earth and the moon. It is the distance between imperfection and perfection; the finite and the infinite; the east and the west. It would be easier for us to jump to the moon than work our way into Heaven. No matter how moral or how many good deeds we have done, we will always fall short.

If we could earn our own salvation, Christ died needlessly on the cross. We are only saved through faith in Christ not by our meager good deeds. As Ephesians 2:8-9 states: 'For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast'. The big question now is do we accept God's gift of salvation or try to leap into Heaven by our own merit? For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. Romans 3:23.

We have been given permission to park in the west lot, they keep the snow off and salt when necessary. But. We park there at our own risk, so please BE CAREFUL when you walk.

# ORDER OF SERVICE HOLY SPIRIT COMMUNITY CHURCH Welcome Opening prayer

### WORSHIPPING

Through music.

Stand, sit, sing loud or quiet. This is a time to draw close to the Lord. Let the spirit fill you up and know His grace and Love.

#### **KOINONIA**

All of us are broken. We come together to bring praises and requests before the Lord, as He is the only one who can fix us.

Offering as a form of worship

COMMUNION Today
Open for all

Todays message: Directional sight

Scriptures to be used, Luke 9:16 ~ Psalm 139:7-10