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Joseph - A Type of Christ (I) Genesis 37:1-11

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Welcome to CBC

We are excited for you to join us in worship today. Our prayer is that through the singing of gospel truths, hearing the scriptures proclaimed, and being around the saints, you will leave edified and equipped to live on mission with God for His glory.

Preparation	Revelation 15:3-4 (CSB)
Welcome	Irene Chen
Adoration	Holy Is The Lord The Lord Our God Always
Prayer	Laura Moon
Scripture Reading	Genesis 37:1-11 (CSB) William Gaw
Proclamation	Joseph - A Type of Christ (I) Pastor Oleg Xu
Response Music	Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus
Offertory Prayer	William Gaw
Announcements	Song Iu
Benediction	Pastor Oleg Xu



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Genesis 37:1-11 (CSB)

1 Jacob lived in the land where his father had stayed, the land of Canaan. 2 These are the family records of Jacob. At seventeen years of age, Joseph tended sheep with his brothers. The young man was working with the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives, and he brought a bad report about them to their father. 3 Now Israel loved Joseph more than his other sons because Joseph was a son born to him in his old age, and he made a long-sleeved robe for him. 4 When his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him and could not bring themselves to speak peaceably to him. 5 Then Joseph had a dream. When he told it to his brothers, they hated him even more. 6 He said to them, "Listen to this dream I had: 7 There we were, binding sheaves of grain in the field. Suddenly my sheaf stood up, and your sheaves gathered around it and bowed down to my sheaf. **8** "Are you really going to reign over us?" his brothers asked him. "Are you really going to rule us?" So they hated him even more because of his dream and what he had said. 9 Then he had another dream and told it to his brothers. "Look," he said, "I had another dream, and this time the sun, moon, and eleven stars were bowing down to me." **10** He told his father and brothers, and his father rebuked him. "What kind of dream is this that you have had?" he said. "Am I and your mother and your brothers really going to come and bow down to the ground before you?" 11 His brothers were jealous of him, but his father kept the matter in mind.

Notes:

Monthly Preaching Schedule						
	Date	English (9:45 am)	Mandarin (9:45 am)	Cantonese (11:15 am)		
	4/27/2025	Pastor Oleg Xu	Pastor Jian Yang	Pastor Don Gardner		
	5/4/2025	Pastor Oleg Xu	Rev. Andrew Chao	Rev. Andrew Chao		
	5/11/2025	Hal Cunnyngham (Combined English and Mandarin)	Hal Cunnyngham	Pastor Don		
	5/18/2025	Pastor Kai Yuen	Pastor Don Gardner	Pastor Kai Yuen		

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Pastor's Word by Pastor Donald Gardner

"Have You Ever Lost Your Smile?"

Have you ever lost your smile toward others? Whenever this happens, your gift of encouragement for others is also lost. Perhaps there is a gap in thinking/action between yourself and another person that has broken a relationship. Perhaps you have been hurt by what you have viewed in another person and have allowed your disappointment to fester in your own heart. Perhaps you have determined to allow the decisions of another to eliminate fellowship with a fellow Christian? We do have to ask what Jesus did in such circumstances?

I have often wondered what it must have been like for Jesus to relate to Peter and Judas. Peter's arrogance and self-confidence pushed their friendship down some deep holes when Peter saw himself as beyond others in his faith. Judas' betrayal of Jesus is self-evident, even though they walked together daily for years! The courage of Christ preaching to the crowds, who sometimes took offense at His messages and then walked away, revealed the commitment that Jesus carried to His plan for the Salvation of humankind...at all costs! Jesus remained burdened for others even when those persons didn't reciprocate with behavior that showed repentance or appreciation.

Where is your smile? Jesus must have been a "realistic optimist," in that, He could see the sin and self-centered attitudes of those with whom He found Himself surrounded. Yet, in the midst of His daily experiences, Jesus remained focused with a desire to not selfishly be concerned about how others treated Him, but held to His task. Our smile, like with that of Jesus, may not always be because everything around us is happening like we would prefer. Our smile has to be found in that Jesus has "paid it all, and all to Him I owe." I smile not because of my own successes or identity, but because in Christ I have Hope Eternal! My smile is an offering to others. How healthy is your smile? Let us never allow earthly situations to steal our joy or the smile given us by Jesus!

Announcements

- A heartfelt thank you and appreciation to our incredible Food Ministry Team for the beautiful Easter luncheon! Your hard work, love, and dedication were evident in every dish, and we are so grateful for the time and care that you all put into making this day special.
- VBC (Vacation Bible Camp) / KCC (Kids Chinese Camp) online registration is now open! It is for children aged 4 years to 12 years. Please bring your own lunch. Sign up today through the CBC Church Website: https://cbchouston.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/2824896.
- There will be a bake sale to support the Cambodia Mission trip on Sunday, April 27, 2025 in the FLC during lunch fellowship. Cash, check or venmo will be accepted.
- Signup and registration is open for the Dallas Mission Trip from Friday, June 6 to Sunday, June 8, 2025. Please scan the QR code below for details. RSVP deadline by Sunday, May 18.
- Men's Prayer breakfast will be held on Saturday, May 3, 2025 from 8:30 am to 9:30 am in room 163.
- The CBC Ministry Fair will be held on Sunday, May 4, 2025 from 1:15 pm to 3:15 pm in the FLC.
- Senior Rainbow Field Trip to "Family Farms" at Plantersville, TX on Wednesday, May 7, 2025, Cost \$20/ person. Please RSVP to Dorothy 281-222-9180 or Josephine 713-774-4321.
- Senior Rainbow "Mother's Day" fellowship will be held on Thursday, May 15, 2025 at 10 am in the FLC. Cost is \$8/ person. Please RSVP to Dorothy at 281-222-9180.
- Semi-Annual Business Meeting will be held on Sunday, May 18, 2025 at 1 pm in the Sanctuary.
- Senior Banquet Class of 2025 will be held on Saturday, May 24, 2025 from 5 pm to 8 pm in the FLC.
- Spiritual Gift Assessment Form and Ministry Fair Response Form are now available. These forms are an important part of helping us understand how God has uniquely gifted each of you and where you can serve in our CBC church community.





Spiritual Gift Form Ministry Fair Response Senior Banquet Code





Dallas Mission Trip