

Grief and Loss

Learning from the Book of Job

The Lament Series

Ps Tony Chong



'Melancholy' by Albert Gyorgy

GRIEF AND LOSS

Scripture Text : Book of Job

SERMON
NOTES

Introduction: What is Grief?

1. There is a Time to Grieve

Job lamented through

- i. M _____
- ii. W _____
- iii. S _____
- iv. S _____

2. There is a Space to Grieve

- i. _____ space
- ii. _____ space

3. There is an Answer to Grief

- i. Job _____
- ii. Job _____

Conclusion: _____ will have the final say and answer to our grief. Remain faithful till the end!

Sermon Discussion Questions for Missional Cells

1. How surprised are you to know that God welcomes your lament? What could it look like for you to faithfully lament and grieve?
2. In what ways does putting Job's losses in modern terms (possessions, personal and people) impact the way you see his story? What—if anything—would you be saying to God if you were in this scenario?
3. What sort of well-meaning advice can hurt someone? What seemingly self-evident speculation is not helpful to talk about with someone in pain?
4. What do you need from your friends when you are grieving or suffering? What did it look like when someone comforted you effectively?

The Lament Series

*Is there a place for lament in our Christian faith?
How do we make sense of pain, sickness, suffering, grief & loss?
Let us explore the connection between pain, lament and
the God who loves and comforts.*

13 Oct **Suffering & Laments** (Psalm 13)
SP Joseph Lee

20 Oct **Grief & Loss** (Job)
Ps Tony Chong

27 Oct **Aging**
Bishop Robert M. Solomon

3 Nov **A Christian Response**
Ps Jason Lee

ANNOUNCEMENTS (1)

LAMENT SERIES WORKSHOP: FACING HEALTH CHALLENGES FROM A HOLISTIC PERSPECTIVE

Hear professionals share valuable insights on the physical, mental, social & spiritual aspects in navigating today's health challenges. **More details about the workshops and speakers can be found in the link: www.bartley.org.sg/latestevents**

FACING HEALTH CHALLENGES FROM A HOLISTIC PERSPECTIVE

DEMENTIA & SPIRITUALITY
19 Oct 2024
10am - 12pm
REV. LEW KIAT LERN
LEAD CHAPLAIN OF ST. ANDREW'S NURSING HOME (HEALTHCARE FOR DEMENTIA RESIDENTS)

CANCER & FAITH JOURNEY
19 Oct 2024
2pm - 4pm
PS. ROBIN PNG
CARE PASTOR FOR THE RESTORATIVE HEARTS MINISTRY & CANCER SURVIVOR

SELF-CARE OF CAREGIVER
26 Oct 2024
10am - 12pm
MS. WINNIE CHNG
SENIOR MEDICAL SOCIAL WORKER IN HOME NURSING FOUNDATION

LEAVING WELL
26 Oct 2024
2pm - 4pm
DR. HELEN KO
ASSOC PROF (S'PORE UNIVERSITY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES), GERONTOLOGIST, COUNSELLOR & CANCER SURVIVOR

FIND OUT MORE AND SIGN UP FOR FREE
ALL TALKS WILL BE HELD IN BARTLEY CHRISTIAN CHURCH
4 HOW SUN DRIVE
SINGAPORE 538526

Hear professionals share valuable insights on the physical, mental, social & spiritual aspects in navigating today's health challenges.
WWW.BARTLEY.ORG.SG/LATESTEVENTS

VOLUNTEER WITH VISITATION TEAM

KINGDOM TREASURE SENIOR MINISTRY

VISITATION TEAM

Encourage one another and build each other up
1 Thessalonians 5:11

Bringing warmth, care, and the love of Christ to those in need - Our visitation team is here to lift spirits and share smiles with the **elderly, sick, or homebound**.

We also **journey with new friends** who like to know more about Christ. For those who are passionate about sharing the Word, join us to **conduct faith lessons** to encourage the seniors in their spiritual walk.

VOLUNTEER WITH US

- VISITATION TEAM
- BEFRIEND NEW FRIENDS
- CONDUCT FAITH LESSONS

https://bartley.ch/KT_Visitation

Be part of the Visitation Team, befriend a new friend or help conduct faith lessons to encourage seniors in their spiritual walk. Sign up here at: https://bartley.ch/KT_Visitation

CONGRATULATIONS

We rejoice with Abraham Yeo & Cheng Yu on their third bundle of joy, a new-born girl, Abigail Maria Yeo on 3 October. Praying for God's strength and joy in taking care of 3 young ones.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (2)

VOLUNTEER WITH BCO

Bartley Community Outreach (BCO) has several upcoming Bidadari events and we're looking for volunteers! With various roles to match different skillsets and interests, there's a place for everyone to serve. Find out more here: <https://bartley.org.sg/bco>

A blue poster with a white megaphone icon and the text "We need you!" with an arrow pointing to it. A red circular logo on the left says "BARTLEY COMMUNITY OUTREACH". In the center, it says "Volunteers Needed FOR". To the right, a QR code is labeled "SIGN UP". Below the main text, two events are listed: "9 NOVEMBER BIDADARI FAMILY FUN DAY" and "12 & 13 DECEMBER CHRISTMAS CAROLING AT WOODLEIGH MALL".

'GoMAD' WITH BARTLEY COMMUNITY CARE SERVICES

The graphic features the "GoMAD" logo with a heart in the 'o' and the tagline "EVERYONE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!". Below this, three images show a person on a bicycle, a superhero running, and a person on a bicycle with a child. A purple box contains the text "Making a difference is easy:" followed by three steps: "1. Scan QR" (with a QR code), "2. Join the Race" (with a person and a bicycle), and "2. Get your friends and family to join!" (with a group of people on bicycles). At the bottom, a child in a superhero costume is shown next to a pink speech bubble that says "Visit us at the GoMAD booth at BCC 20th Oct!".

Everyone can make a difference to others. Help our beneficiaries, sign up for GoMAD24 race at www.gomad.sg!

Visit us at BCC booth this Sunday, 20 October for more information!

ANNOUNCEMENTS (3)

BAPTISM/MEMBERSHIP SERVICE

27 October 2024 at 2:30pm, Main Auditorium

Join us in celebrating with and welcoming the following on their baptism and membership acceptance at Bartley Christian Church:

BAPTISM

English Congregation

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|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Aaron <u>Chua</u> | 2. <u>Chia</u> Su Ming Marian |
| 3. Vanessa Denise <u>Foo</u> | 4. Andre <u>Koh</u> Eng Kiat |
| 5. <u>Lim</u> Meng Lee | 6. Brian <u>Ng</u> |
| 7. Claudia <u>Ng</u> Sze Yuen | 8. <u>Ong</u> Kai Xin Candida |
| 9. <u>Sim</u> Cheng Leong (Randy) | 10. Ellen <u>Tay</u> |
| 11. Lynn <u>Teo</u> | 12. Caleb <u>Wong</u> |
| 13. <u>Yu</u> Wenchen | |

Chinese Congregation

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| 1. <u>Chia</u> Cher Cheng Eric (谢芝清) | 2. <u>Chng</u> Lye Hiang (莊来香) |
| 3. <u>Foo</u> Sek Wee Serene (符策惠) | 4. <u>Kok</u> Chee Wah (郭志华) |
| 5. <u>Wang</u> Ju Ying (王菊英) | 6. <u>Wong</u> Ooi Yen (黄爱英) |

Filipino Congregation

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| 1. Maria Alexandra <u>Cantos</u> | 2. Retchel V. <u>Mahinay</u> |
| 3. Marquis Samuel Martinez <u>Sansangan</u> | 4. Michelle <u>Vargas</u> |
| 5. Olivia <u>Viernes</u> | |

Nepali Congregation

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| 1. Laxmi Ritu <u>Chettri</u> | 2. Yogita <u>Gurung</u> |
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MEMBERSHIP RECEPTION

English Congregation

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| 1. Siras <u>Banu</u> | 2. Luke <u>Chua</u> |
| 3. <u>Choong</u> Joo Chuan | 4. <u>Goh</u> Jenny |
| 5. <u>Ho</u> Bee Swan (Cecilia) | 6. <u>Li</u> Zhenwei Diana |
| 7. <u>Loke</u> Mun Cheong | 8. Mervyn <u>Lee</u> |
| 9. <u>Lui</u> Hong Kian | 10. Alainaevans <u>Lee</u> |
| 11. <u>Leo</u> Shu Yan Nicole | 12. Janice <u>Loh</u> Yi Hua |
| 13. <u>Neoh</u> Sue Lynn | 14. <u>Ong</u> Ghim Muay, Angeline |
| 15. Angeline <u>Seah</u> | 16. <u>Seah</u> Bee Suan (Jane) |
| 17. <u>Sim</u> Mui Hsiu (Meixia) | 18. <u>Teo</u> Cher Hon (John) |
| 19. Samantha <u>Tan</u> Feng Lin | 20. Elizabeth <u>Yew</u> |

Chinese Congregation

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|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Doris <u>Chia</u> Chee Lang (谢芝兰) | 2. <u>Hu</u> Ji Fang (胡际芳) |
| 3. Joseph <u>Tan</u> Beng Li (陈明利) | 4. <u>Woo</u> Sook Yin (胡菽贤) |

Livestream/On demand viewing: <https://bartley.ch/bartley-church-live>

ANNOUNCEMENTS (4)

LAUNCH OF MINISTRY APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM

We are excited to announce the launch of the 'Ministry Apprenticeship Program (MAP)' where we intentionally raise the next generation of BCC apprentice to serve the LORD in various channels and capacities. Come, find out more about this program at the **MAP Intro dinner held on 24 October (Thursday) at 7pm. Register by 20 October (this Sunday): <https://bartley.ch/MAP-IntroDinner>** *If you are interested but can't attend the coming dinner, kindly also register (but indicate in the COMMENTS of your unavailability for the coming intro meeting).*

LAUNCH OF MINISTRY APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM



Bartley
CHRISTIAN CHURCH

MAP is a 2-year fulltime paid apprenticeship cum training program at Bartley Christian Church

- ✓ **EXPOSE & DEVELOP**
lay people to the BCC culture and ethos in ministry and missions
- ✓ **EQUIP**
apprentice with God's Word, ministry skills, and personal growth and development
- ✓ **EVALUATE**
God's personal call to ministry and one's life calling



Raising the next generation of apprentices

SEE
YOU AT  MAP >>>

COME, FIND OUT MORE AT THE
MAP INTRO DINNER
24.10.24 THUR 7-9PM
BCC ROOM 4.4

ALL ARE WELCOME!
REGISTER TO ATTEND



QUESTIONS?
CONTACT PS MAH YEOW BENG
✉ FEED@BARTLEY.ORG.SG

<https://bartley.ch/MAP-IntroDinner>

UPCOMING EVENTS (1)

MISSIONS:

I. OCTOBER GLOBAL WATCH (THIS SUNDAY)

Join us in prayer as we hear from our missions personnel, Mun Kok, on being a "Friend of God."
Please register at: <https://bartley.ch/GlobalWatch>



II. MY FATHER'S BUSINESS (SHAPING THE ENTREPRENEUR FOR MISSIONAL BUSINESS)

In today's world, business can be so much more than just profit. At "My Father's Business," we invite you to discover how entrepreneurship can be a powerful force for God's kingdom.
Click here for speaker's profile: <https://businessasmission.ph/mkok>
Register here at: <https://bartley.ch/myfathersbusiness2024>



UPCOMING EVENTS (2)

HANGOUT 1ST ANNIVERSARY: LOVE IS IN THE AIR

Celebrate HangOut's First Anniversary with us on 9 November (Saturday), 4 to 9pm at Bartley Christian Church! Enjoy an evening of games, food, love, and fun. Limited spots available, so sign up now! <https://bartley.ch/lita>. Registration closes on 28 October (Monday).



HangOut First Anniversary

Join us for an unforgettable evening filled with fellowship, games, food, love and fun!

9 Nov 2024, 4pm to 9pm
Bartley Christian Church

\$23 Per pax
Closing date- 28 October 2024
Early bird discount, \$20 per pax by 14 Oct
Min 16 pax, limited to 30 pax

Organised by HangOut, an initiative to connect singles aged 25 to 40 through social events



<https://bartley.ch/lita>

WHAT IS THE SECRET TO BUILDING A RESILIENT MARRIAGE?

Many couples want a marriage that not only survives life's storms but emerges stronger and closer. Join a 1-day workshop to learn the foundation of a resilient marriage and essential skills to navigate life's challenges.

Sign up before 27 October (Sunday) at: https://bartley.ch/marriage_workshop



JOIN NOW

2 Nov 2024
9am - 5pm
Bartley Christian Church
Room 4-1

1 couple = \$30
Group sign up of 2 or more couples
\$20 per couple
Fee includes lunch and tea break.

Closing: 27 Oct 2024

BUILDING A RESILIENT Marriage

Many couples want a marriage that not only survives life's storms but emerges stronger and closer.

But what is the secret to building a resilient marriage?

Join our 1-day workshop* to learn:

- The foundation of a resilient marriage
- Essential skills to navigate life's challenges together
- Key attitudes to invest in yourself and your relationship



https://bartley.ch/marriage_workshop

*minimum 10 couples to start

James & Katherine

James and Katherine, married for 35 years, saw their marriage transformed after attending a marriage retreat in 1998. They have been involved in marriage ministry ever since.

They co-founded Bridging Hearts in 2020, to empower marriages through mentoring, training and workshops.

Both James and Katherine are certified Prepare/Enrich and SYMBIS facilitators. They are passionate about strengthening marriages because a strong and Godly marriage is the best legacy for our children.

UPCOMING EVENTS (3)

FRONTLINE YOUTH CAMP 2024

Frontline Youth will be holding its annual camp for youth from **16 to 19 December!** Register via QR or click here <https://bartley.ch/YouthCampReg> (Registration opens till 10 November).

For any inquiries or financial assistance, please email to Jonathan Ji at jonathanji@bartley.org.sg!



frontlineyouth

nostalgia John 15:5

DEC 16 **DEC 19**

Price: \$100 (Frontline Youths)
\$70 (newcomers)

Venue: Bartley Christian Church	Camp Speaker: Pastor Janelle from Mt Carmel BP
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Registration opens from 12 Oct 2024 to 10 Nov 2024

Scan to sign up



Invite your friends and hope to see you there!

RECRUITMENT

BARTLEY COMMUNITY CARE SERVICES (BCCS) LTD

Join the movement of touching hearts & building lives with BCCS!

Operations Manager / Operations Assistant Manager

Are you passionate about making a difference in the lives of others? Do you want to be part of a dynamic team that serves the community with compassion and integrity? BCCS, a charity organization affiliated with Bartley Christian Church, is seeking a dedicated Operations Manager/Assistant Manager to join our team!

Our Vision:

To see individuals and families in need transformed, enabling them to reach their potential, so that they can enjoy meaningful lives and contribute to society.

About Us:

BCCS runs impactful programs like free tuition, phonics, active ageing, youth engagement, and family support services for needy families, regardless of faith or race. Our small but sturdy team operates from a centre in Macpherson.

Your Role:

As Operations Manager/Assistant Manager, you'll play a vital part in driving our mission forward. You will handle special events/ad-hoc reports & enquiries by different ministries. We're looking for someone who shares our passion for social service, has relevant experience, and excels in:

- Finance and Administration (including HR)
- Fundraising, Publicity, and Communications
- Risk Management and Corporate Governance

Ideal Candidate:

You're a motivated individual with:

- Minimum Degree in Business Administration, Social Service, or equivalent
- At least 2 years of relevant experience
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- High integrity, openness, and commitment to good governance

Join Our Team:

If you're excited about this opportunity to serve and make a difference, we'd love to hear from you! Introduce yourself to us and attach a resume!

Email to: hr@bccs.org.sg

CONNECT WITH US!

- > I'M NEW and would like someone to follow up with me.
- > I would like to JOIN a Missional Cell, Young Adults Ministry or Youth Ministry

Scan to join



<https://bartley.ch/newcomer-response-registration>

- > I would like to get BAPTISED
- > I would like to be a MEMBER

Scan to register



<https://bartley.ch/baptism-membership>

STAY CONNECTED

Receive weekly updates, including E-bulletin, via WhatsApp broadcast. Send a message with your full name to **8780 3955** and be connected!

E-bulletin is on the church website too!
(<https://www.bartley.org.sg/bulletin>)



OUR PURPOSE

A God-loved
missional community that
worships passionately
evangelises faithfully
disciples intentionally
serves selflessly
sent out to reach the world for Christ

OUR CORE VALUES

Believing Prayers
Accountable Relationships
Reaching Out to the Nations
Teaching the Word
Loving Families
Exercising Stewardship
Yielding to the Spirit



Kingdom Jewels Children Ministry

We welcome children aged 12 years & below to join our Sunday School program. If you have a child 12 years and under and would like to find out more, please visit our webpage at:

<https://www.bartley.org.sg/kingdom-jewels>.

Please contact Ps Nan at nansiew@bartley.org.sg,
PeiYun at peiyunyin@bartley.org.sg or Gerard at
gerardsu@bartley.org.sg if you have queries.

Need to talk to someone?



If you need prayer, ministry or wish to respond to God's Word, our pastors & elders will be at the front to meet with you after each service. You may also email: info@bartley.org.sg if you have any prayer requests or wish to speak with our pastors.

If you have counselling needs, visit counselling@bartley.org.sg to request counselling from our lay counsellors.

TITHES & GIVING to BARTLEY CHRISTIAN CHURCH via **Bank Transfer or PayNow (UEN):**

1) For General Tithes & Offerings: DBS Account: 047-007309-0 (UEN: 197801655D)

2) (NEW) For Missions (General & Designate):** DBS Account: 072-108877-0
(UEN: 197801655DMIS)

3) For PJWMEF: DBS Account: 003-911373-0 (UEN: 197801655DPJW)



** Missions personnel codes at: <https://www.bccmissions.com/missionspersonnelcodes> or scan QR above.
Please **indicate the 3-Letter codes** in the reference/remark section **when giving to specific missionary.**

PASTORS

Senior Pastor Joseph Lee
Pastor Mah Yeow Beng (Christian Education)
Pastor Jason Lee (English Lead, Family Life)
Pastor Tony Clayton Chong (English, Missional Cell)
Pastor Jonathan Ji (English, Frontline Youth)
Pastor Woo Nan Siew (English, Kingdom Jewels-Children)
Pastor Gloria Tan (English, Young Adults)
Pastor Eric Wong (Chinese Lead)
Pastor Irene Chung (Chinese)
Pastor Clevee Go (Filipino Lead)
Pastor Celeste Cruzat (Filipino)
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Associate Pastor Danny Modi (Telugu Lead)
Lay Pastor Agnes Lau (Chinese)
Lay Pastor Solomon Adhikari (Nepali Lead)

ELDERS

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Vice Chairman Elder Chua Teck Chuan
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Elder Jeffrey Lum
Elder Ronald Yong
Elder Yew Hock Meng

MINISTRY HEADS

Missions – Serene Lim
Bartley Community Outreach – Matthew Chern
Kingdom Treasures, Seniors – May Kwan
Counselling – May Kwan
Indonesian Fellowship – Elsie Lim
Bartley Community Care Services – Kenneth Teo

SERVICES

SUNDAY

ENGLISH Service 9:00am & 11:00am
ENGLISH CHILDREN Ministry 10:45am
CHINESE Service 11:00am
INDONESIAN Fellowship 11:00am
KOREAN Service 11:00am & 8:00pm
NEPALI Service 1:00pm
FILIPINO Service 1:30pm

SATURDAY

FRONTLINE YOUTH Ministry 3:00pm
TELUGU Service 8:00pm