

SUNGAI WAY-SUBANG METHODIST CHURCH

# PALM SUNDAY

**BLESSED IS THE  
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THE NAME OF THE LORD**

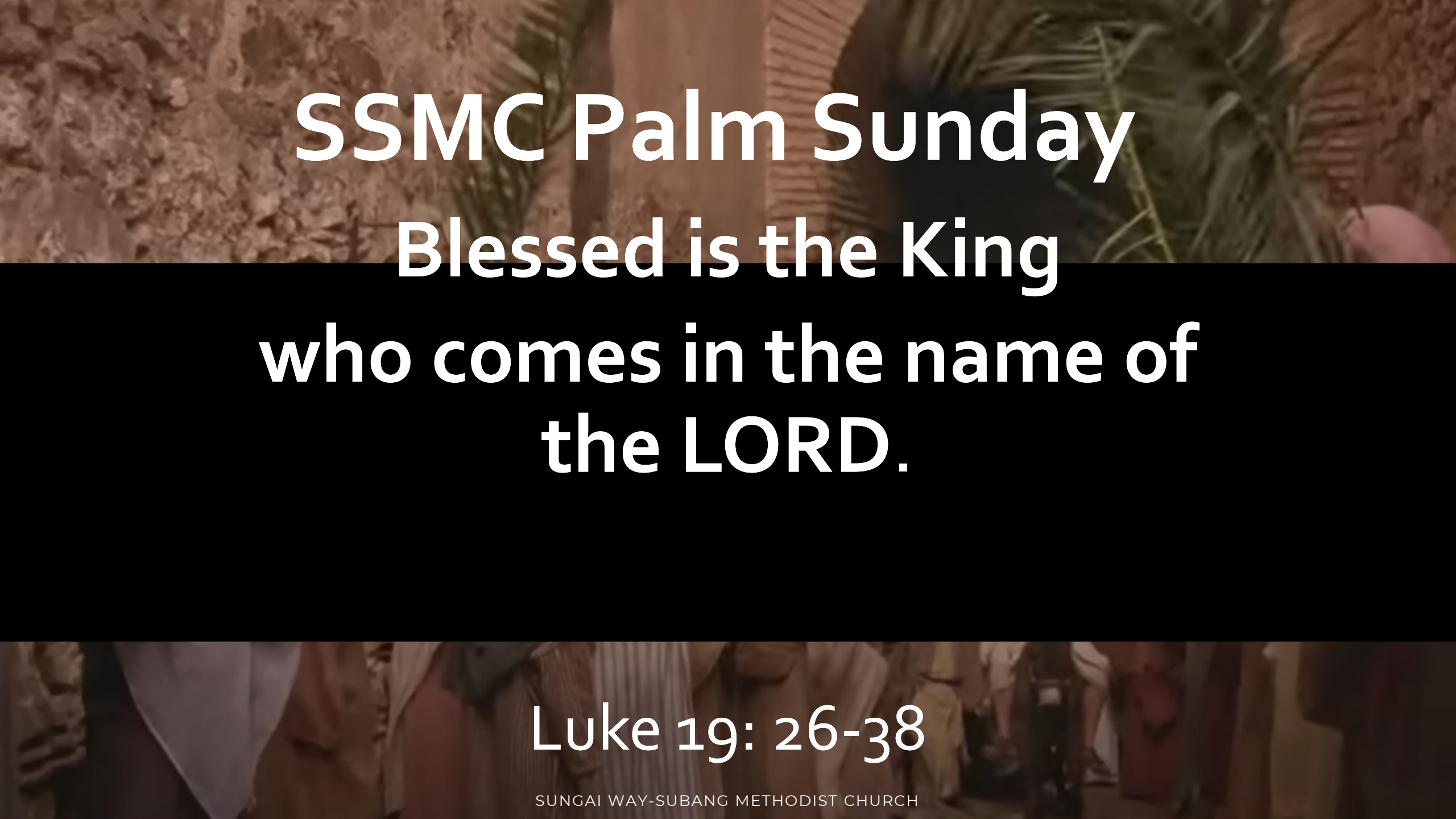
*King* 

Luke 19:26-38

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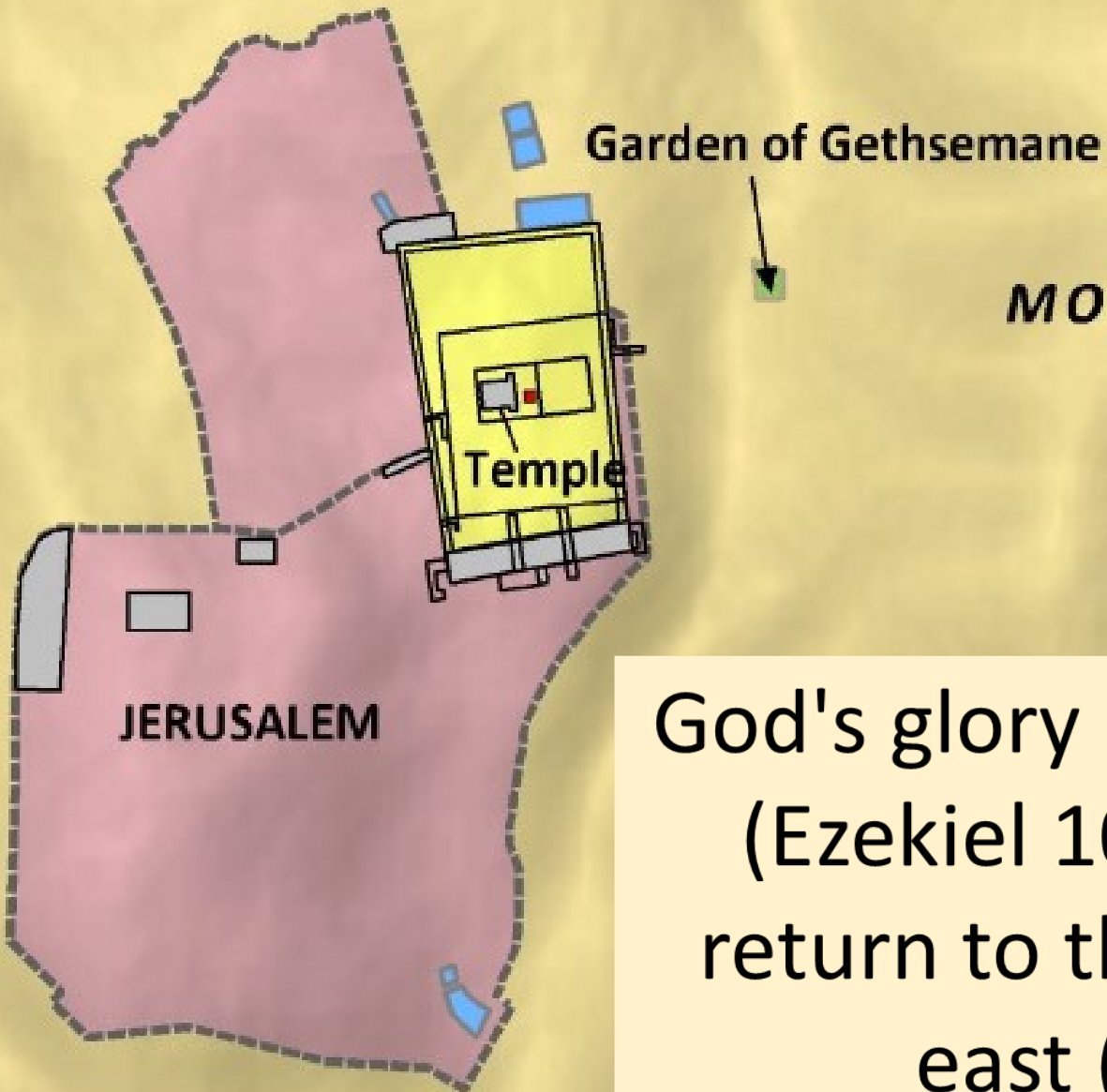


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# Fulfilment of the Holy Scriptures



*MOUNT OF OLIVES*

■ Bethphage

God's glory departed to the east (Ezekiel 10: 18-19), it would return to the temple from the east (Ezekiel 43: 4)

Bethany ■

# The Kingdom of God in Luke's perspective.

1. Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom His favor rests. (Luke 2:14)
2. Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest! (Luke 19: 38)

# The King and Kingdom Mindset

Jesus prepares the people with Kingdom mindset before the Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem

1. **John 11**: the power of Resurrection, He raised Lazarus.
2. **Mark 10**: even the Son of Man... not to be served, but to serve.
3. **Matthew 20**: the parable of vineyard workers.
4. **Luke 19**: the parable of the 10 minas.

# 4 gospel writers 4 encounters 4 viewpoints

1. Our encounter with Christ is always personal and God continues to reveal Himself to us as we seek Him.
2. It is a dynamic living relationship, and it matures with the seasons of our journey.
3. Each narrative, contributes to wholeness, for it is ONE God, ONE Saviour and ONE Spirit.
4. Collectively as a Church, the Body of Christ, we share our journey, consolidate our vision and grow in worship, love and service.





# The parable of the 10 minas from Jewish perspective

1. The purpose for the parable, “While they were listening to this, He went on to tell them a parable, because He was near Jerusalem and the people thought that the Kingdom of God was going to appear at once.” (Luke 19:11)
2. Wicked servant: Pharisees & Sadducees.
3. Faithful servants: those who obey and follow Him
4. The doctrine of stewardship.





## STEWARDS for God

- 1. Genesis... man's first appointed role.**
- 2. Jesus, the King of kings, ushering in God's Kingdom.**

**“I tell you that to everyone who has, more will be given, but as for the one who has nothing, even what they have will be taken away.”**



The doctrine of stewardship recognizing that everything we have belongs to **God**



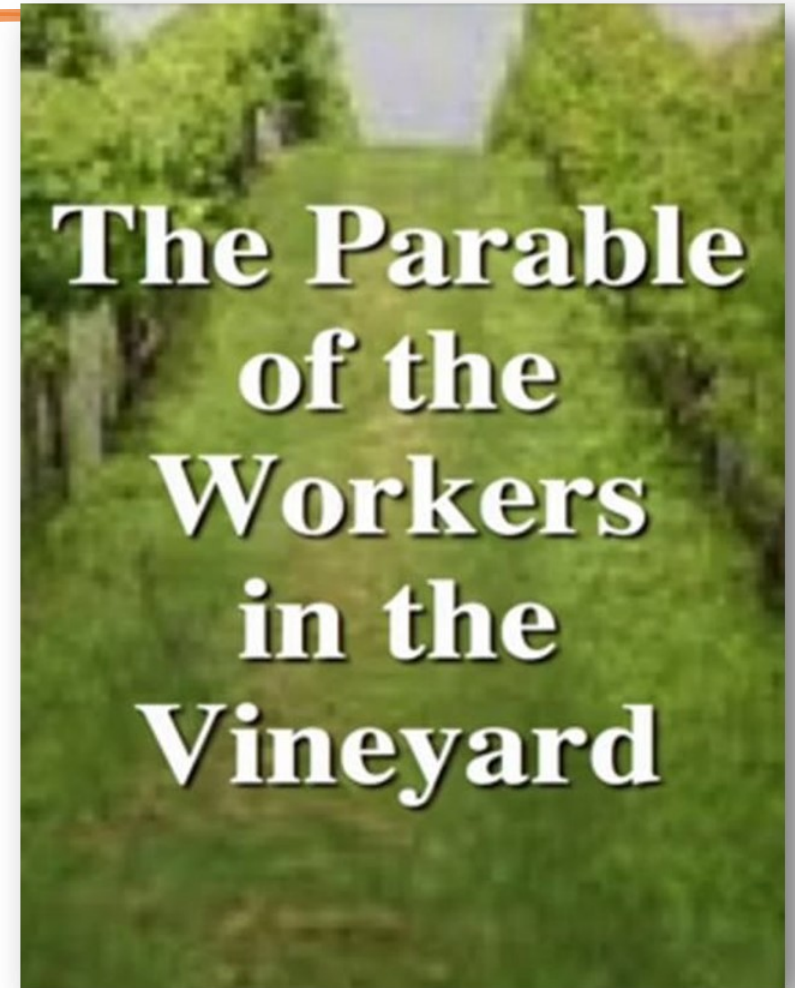
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## Christian Stewardship

- a) **Faithfulness:** responsibility and accountability to God, He entrusts unto us.
- b) **Effort:** it's not just about money, it involves our time, our talent and so forth.
- c) **Wisdom:** godly reverence is the beginning of wisdom (Proverbs 9:10)

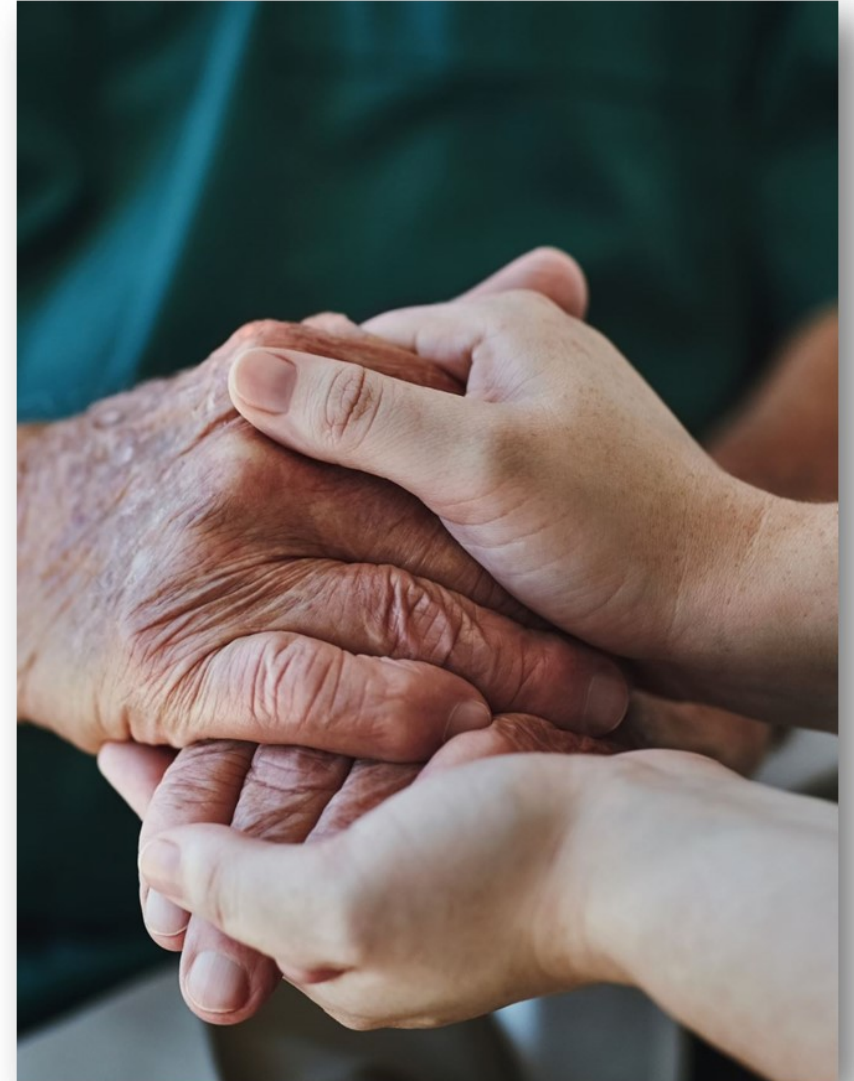
# The parable of the vineyard workers from Gentile perspective

1. The purpose of the parable, “For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire workers for his vineyard.”  
(Matthew 20)
2. The landowner engages workers: early in the morning, 9am, 12noon, 3pm, 5pm.
3. All are rewarded generously.



# Another important aspect of stewardship is **generosity**.

1. Generosity an essential aspect of Christian stewardship. (1 Peter 4: 10)
2. Generosity blesses others, and it reflects the Master's glory (1 Cor 4: 1)
3. Generosity: a testimony of our growing trust in God's provision and faithfulness. (Luke 21: 1-4)
4. Be generous with what God has given us: our time, money, talents, family. (Matthew 20)







Love God, Love People,  
Make Disciples...  
**SSMC's Kingdom mindset**



God adding more unto SSMC's  
brothers and sisters...

**imprinted** unto our children,  
children's children

# God's anointed stewards our children and future generations.

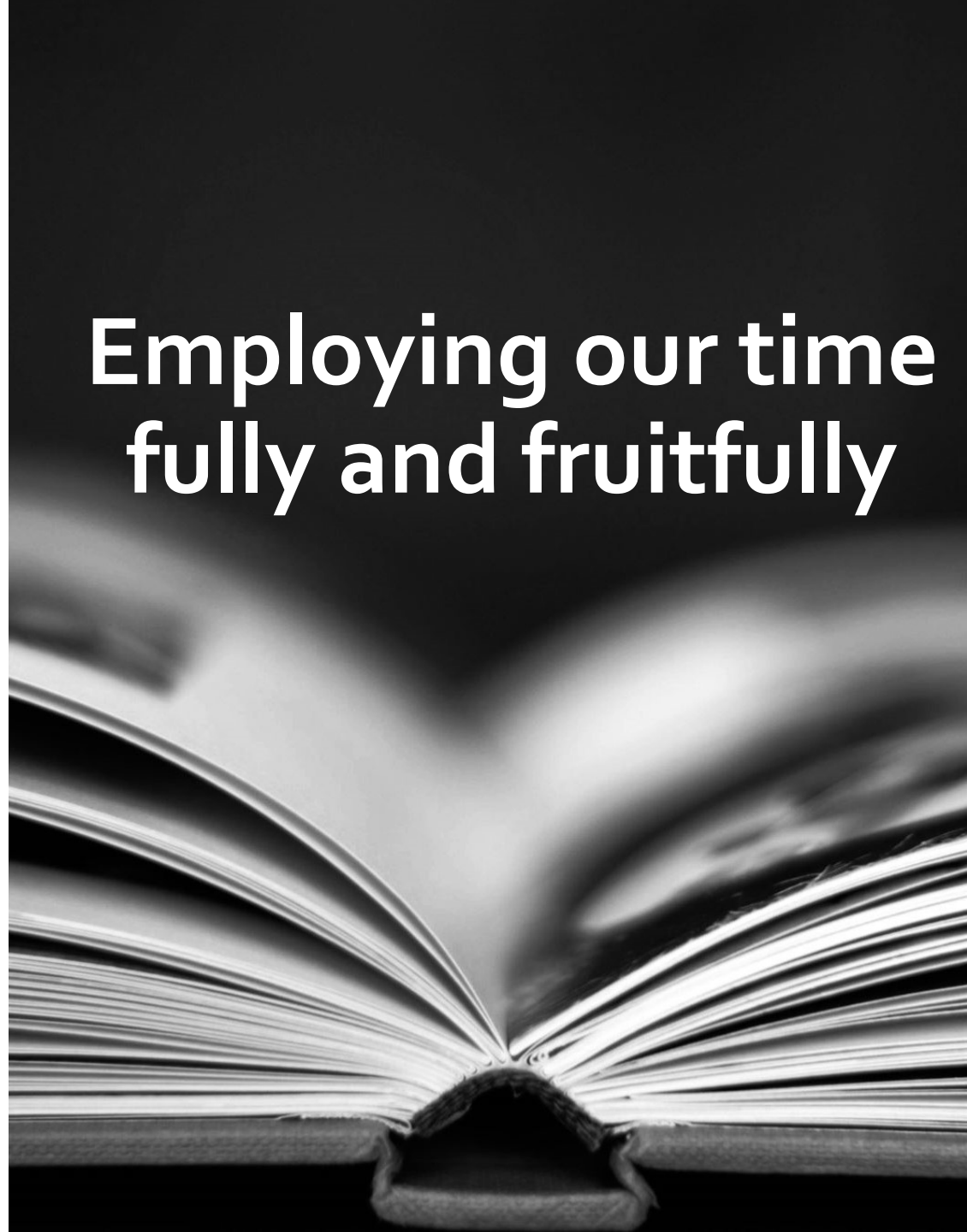
- a) Holy reverence and godly fear/love...the beginning of WISDOM
- b) Induct and involve our children with Kingdom work ...together we Worship, Love & Serve with our children, grandchildren
- c) Inculcate the identity in our children that we are stewards; we are God's sons and daughters. And we are accountable to God our Father.





1. John Wesley's counsel for his preachers to "never be triflingly employed"
2. Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.(Psalm 90)
3. Never triflingly employed:
  - a) individually
  - b) collectively

**Employing our time  
fully and fruitfully**



**Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the LORD.**

1. the **power of Resurrection**, He raised Lazarus.
2. the Son of Man...not to be served,  
but to serve. **The Servant King.**
3. anointed, appointed and **SENT FORTH**,  
stewards in God's Kingdom.







We rededicate ourselves  
unto God