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<u>Being</u> a Blessing in 2018

1 Pet 3:8-9;2 Pet 1:3

"...Be ye all...

a blessing... according as... He hath called us to glory and virtue."

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## LIGHTHOUSE BBC WORKS TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR FATHERS NEXT SUNDAY

"Honour thy father and thy mother, as the Lord thy God hath commanded thee; that thy days may be prolonged, and that it may go well with thee..." (Deut 5:16).

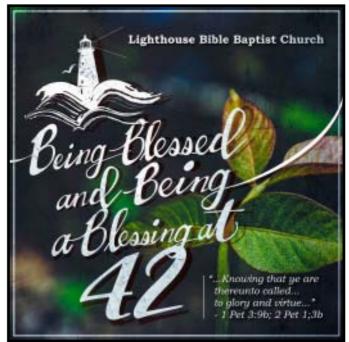
"Honour thy father and mother; (which is the first commandment with promise;) that it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth" (Eph 6:2-3).

t will be the turn of fathers present in our services next Sunday, June 17, to be recognized and honored as the world celebrates Father's Day. And we are not doing this as a church simply because the world celebrates the day but because the Word of God tells us to do so.

God's command for everyone to honor their fathers is not one that is without blessings. Our text above clearly give specific promises if this command is obeyed: "that thy days may be prolonged, and that it may go well with thee..." The Apostle Paul recognizes this truth in commenting that this is "the first commandment with promise."

We all know, as it is oftentimes declared in our pulpit, that the highest quality an Ekklesia must have is obedience, and that is, obedience to God by His Word.

Let us then come together as an Ekklesia next week bringing along our respective fathers. Let us recognize and honor them as obedient children and people of God in His work! Let us be a blessing to them!





Lighthouse BBC Taguig Mission members take time to have group picture with Pastor Reuben after the 11th founding anniversary celebration last Friday night.

Second Quarter Focus :

Being Equipped to be a Blessing

...the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man ...that ye may excel to the edifying of the church..." (1 Cor 12:7; 14:12).

#### **SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON**

Lesson No. 2Thes070217-03

TITLE : THE COMING OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

TEXT : 2 THESS 2:1, "NOW WE BESEECH YOU, BRETHREN, BY THE COMING OF OUR

BRETHREN, BY THE COMING OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, AND BY OUR GATHERING TOGETHER UNTO HIM."

#### INTRODUCTION

As the Apostle Paul admonishes the church in Thessalonica on the basis of the "coming of our Lord Jesus Christ," we also treat this subject of His 2nd coming as vitally important.

Continuing on the charater of the Second Coming of Christ:

#### 6) It will be Two-Fold.

Just as the first coming of the Lord extended over a period of thirty years, so His Second Coming involves a period of time and includes a series of events.

At His first coming, he was revealed as a babe in Bethlehem, later as the Lamb of God at His baptism, and as a Redeemer at Calvary.

At the Second Coming, He will suddenly appear to His own and catch them away. This is called the Rapture.

Immediately, after the Rapture, there comes a period of tribulation.

Following this, there is another sudden but open manifestation of the Lord Jesus from heaven with His accompanying saints and angels for the purpose of establishing the long-promised Messianic Kingdom on earth. This is called the Revelation.

At the Rapture, Christ comes in the air and His saints are caught up to meet Him. This stage has two events transpiring: the resurrection of the dead saints and the transformation or bodily change of the living saints. After this they shall be caught up together (raptured) to meet the Lord in the air.

At the second stage, the Revelation, Christ comes to earth and His saints with Him (see Col 3:4, 2 Thes 1:7-9; 2:7,8). This stage embraces the judicial and punitive aspect of the Second Coming of Christ and includes the events leading to the establishment of the millenial kingdom of Christ.

### The difference between the Rapture and the Revelation.

The coming of Christ is two-fold, not two comings, but two stages in the one coming, one great event with two separate parts.

In the first stage, Christ is coming as the "Morning Star" (Rev 22:16); in the second, as the Sun of Righteousness (Mal 4:1-2)..

In the first stage, the Lord comes "into the air" (1 Thes 4:17); in the second stage, He descends to the Mount of Olives (Zech 14:3,4). In the first, He comes to receive His bride to Himself (John 14:3), in the second, He comes to be received by repentant Israel (Zech 12:10). The first stage is called "our gathering together unto Him" (2 Thes 2:1), while the second stage is called "the revelation of Jesus Christ from heaven (2 Thes 1:7).

#### 7) It will be premillenial.

By the term "premillenial" we mean before the Millenium, that is, before the period of a thousand years spoken of in Rev 20:1-6. This period is spoken of in other Scriptures as "the kingdom" and is described in glowing terms by the prophets as a time when the earth shall be WATCH The LIGHTHOUSE CAFE TV TALK SHOW and MGA MUNTING



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blessed with a universal rule of righteousness. The passage in Rev 20:1-6 tells us that the length of the period shall be one thousand years. The whole tenor of Scripture teaching demands that Christ shall return before the Millenium. We believe this to be so because of the following:

- The righteous dead are to be raised before the Millenium that they may reign with Christ during the 1,000 years.
- He will bind Satan during the Millenium (Rev 20:1-3).
- The antiChrist is to be destroyed before the Millenium (2 Thes 2:8; Rev 19:20).

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The Single Working Young People (SWYP) presented an excellent short play last Sunday that illustrate how different workplace people may be a blessing before their colleagues and fellow workers, something which they can take as ministry anywhere God places them.