

### **THEME: WHO IS YOUR BOSS?**

The first of the Ten Commandments says, “You shall have no other gods before me” (Ex. 20:3 ESV). It points out that the highest principle of our lives is to fear the Lord and put God first. That is, our minds and values must be in accordance with the teachings of God, not cultural traditions. Consider this. If God is not the head of our lives, there will be countless people or things in our lives clamoring for our attention and mastering us, for example, wealth, career, social status, sexual desire, power, children, sports, games, etc. As a result, these things lead us to deviate from the life God planned so that we cannot experience God’s abundance and peace. On the contrary, when we honor God as our master, as Proverbs 1:7 says, “The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge” (ESV), we can have real wisdom to face daily challenges and tough situations. Let us ask the Holy Spirit to help us to fear God and to please God as our primary goal in life, and therefore to obtain new strength from God to encounter the difficulties and needs of life.

### **REFLECTION**

- Am I in a state of life in which I am putting the cart before the horse? Is God first or others?
- Have I neglected the teachings of God and are no longer centered on the fear of God?

### **RENEW**

- Arrange a time to reflect. Think about your current life, the things that occupy your time, and the things which have affected your relationship with God. List these things and pray for a renewed relationship with God. Pray for wisdom to improve and adjust, and pray to re-experience the power and strength of God.

### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

- Pray that CBCGB truly views Christ as the Head of our church. Honor Him as our Lord in our vision, mission, and ministry of the church so that we can glorify His name.
- After the celebration of Jubilee weekend, pray that the entire church takes this opportunity to seek God’s heart for the future of the church in our devotion so that we can walk on the path of God’s guidance.
- Pray for the inspiration of the Holy Spirit to reveal what parts in my life have not yet been fully submitted to God.