BREWERY

Camouflaged Greed

Someone in the crowd said to Him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me."

- ¹⁴ Jesus replied, "Man, who appointed Me a judge or an arbiter between you?"
- ¹⁵ Then He said to them, "Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions."
- ¹⁶ And He told them this parable: "The ground of a certain rich man yielded an abundant harvest. ¹⁷ He thought to himself, 'What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops.'
- ¹⁸ "Then he said, 'This is what I'll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store my surplus grain. ¹⁹ And I'll say to myself, "You have plenty of grain laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry."
- ²⁰ "But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?'
- ²¹ "This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not rich toward God." Luke 12:13-21







HIGHLIGHTS

TODAY ISLAND BIBLE SEMINAR: CHRISTIANITY

How does Chinese culture relate to Christianity? Is Chinese culture really incompatible with Biblical values? Join this seminar with I'Ching Thomas, Director of Leadership Development at Operation Mobilisation, to discover unique perspectives and understand the challenges between being a Christian and a Chinese. Today, 3 – 4:30 pm, 10/F Auditorium.

AUG 5 NEWCOMERS LUNCH

If you're new to the church and want to know more about Island ECC, please join us for Newcomers Lunch next Sunday, 5 August, 1:30 pm, 10/F Living Room. Find out more in the bulletin inserts!

AUG 12 WOMEN WHO LOVE GOD'S WORD

Do you love to dig into God's word? Have you experienced the hunger to know God that was filled through bible study? Maybe it's time to use what you learned to feed others. The Village is looking for women to lead various studies in the coming ministry year. We will equip you as needed. Let's talk. Sunday, 12 August, 10 – 11 am, 8/F Living Room. RSVP at women@islandecc.hk.

${\sf AUG}\ 14$ men's fraternity: the faces of anger

Does every man feel anger in the same way? Are there different ways to cope with anger? This Taste of MF gives us a platform to look at the many faces of anger, the things that give rise to such strong emotions, and how we can biblically respond to these feelings. Tuesday, 14 August, 7 – 9:30 pm, 10/F Auditorium. For more info, email men@islandecc.hk.

AUG 17 ALL-STAR VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DINNER

We want to celebrate our amazing and passionate Sunday volunteers – our all-stars! If you've served in the past year, please join us for a fun-filled appreciation dinner on Friday, 17 August, 7:30 – 9:30 pm, 2/F Auditorium. Get your ticket at any Connect Counter!

AUG 18 mf & the village joint hike

Island ECC is blessed with vibrant Men's and Women's Ministries. Here is a great opportunity to go out and enjoy beautiful, scenic Hong Kong together. Join us for our first joint hike from Tung Chung to Tai O in Lantau Island. Saturday, 18 August, 11 am – 3 pm. For more info, email men@islandecc.hk

CLASSES & SUPPORT GROUPS

To register and for more information on the following classes, go to islandecc.hk/classes

AUG 5 a personal look at sin

An awareness of sin is crucial to the walk of every Christian. Come join Dr. Yujing Fun in this 3-week class to gain a comprehensive and biblical understanding on sin – what it is and how it works – to better navigate our broken world and give us greater confidence in identifying the impacts of sin. Starts next Sunday, 5 August, 3 pm, 11/F Classroom.

AUG 12 "what's next?" class

We're really glad that you've found Island ECC and hope that you continue to make this your church home. If you're new to this church and looking to get connected to a ministry - or you've been here for a while and are ready to jump in - we'd like to help you take your next step. Please join us for this 2-week class. Starts Sunday, 12 August, 3 - 4:30 pm, 11/F The Well.

OUTREACH

SEP 16-22 SHANXI MISSION TRIP

Registration Deadline: 5 August

This year, Island ECC will send a team to a village school and its neighbourhood in Shanxi. While the gospel cannot be openly shared, the school has been practicing the Christian values of love and respect. Join us and experience God's blessings on this school and the surrounding village, and share God's love in action while interacting with the locals. For more info, please email go@islandecc.hk.

OPPORTUNITIES

If you are interested in the opportunities below, send your CV and a cover letter to hr@islandecc.hk. Go to islandecc.hk/about-us/employment-opportunities for more information.

DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN MINISTRY

We are looking for a friendly and energetic person with a heart to serve children and their familes. This role will carry out ministry programs with the purpose of encouraging children's spiritual growth and promoting healthy family relationships. A passion for people and strong organisational and communication skills are needed.

PART-TIME CONNECTING MINISTRY ASSISTANT

We are looking for an enthusiastic, energetic and outgoing person with good administrative skills to provide practical help and logistical back up in supporting our volunteer teams for Sunday services. A love for the church and people is essential plus fluency in English and attention to detail. Serves 2:30 – 6:30 pm every Sunday.

GIVING TO ISLAND ECC

We encourage those who consider Island ECC their church home to prayerfully give a percentage of their income to the church on a regular basis.

Cheques payable: 'Island ECC Ltd' for HK tax receipts or 'Friends of Hong Kong Charities Inc' for US tax receipts.

Enquiries: giving@islandecc.hk

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