

A Simple Pleasure



Some people go to distant places for their holidays. Others prefer the convenience of a staycation in Singapore. Is there any in-between choice?

Well, a group of us decided neither to travel far nor stay at home; we chose a nice Saturday (26th August) to hop across the Straits of Johor for a full day of eating, durian tasting, *makan angin* and shopping. We joined the trip among friends and travelled across the 2nd Link in two big buses.

We often ask God for big favours, and give praises to Him for wonderful miracles. However, we should not forget to give thanks to God for opportunities of unsophisticated enjoyment too. Our God is a God of big things and of small things.

We give thanks to God for:

- 1) Blessing us with fine weather.
- 2) Blessing us with smooth passages through immigrations in Singapore and Johor both ways. There was not a big crowd or long wait on our forward journey. On our return journey on Saturday

night, we were pleasantly surprised that both immigration checkpoints were almost empty.

- 3) Blessing us with a relaxing time of fellowship.
- 4) Blessing us with convenient and safe journeys.
- 5) Blessing us with many little things that we have the habit of putting them out of our mind because we are taking them for granted.



I came across this in the blog “My Durian Life” ¹:
“Life is really like durian. Sometimes it stinks, but if you take time to appreciate it, you can enjoy it.”

I Thessalonians 5:18 says, “Pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances.”

Never forget to give thanks to God for the freedom to enjoy the simple pleasures that are cravings by people who are deprived of them.

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¹ <http://mydurianlife.blogspot.sg/2017/05/bible-intrepretation.html?m=1>