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# LAP BULLETIN

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SUNDAYS @ 9.30AM | THURSDAYS @ 7.45PM

HYMNS FOR  
SUNDAY WORSHIP

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## WHEN CHRIST WITHDRAWS HIS FELLOWSHIP

*Adapted from Christian Courier*

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PRAYER REQUESTS, BIRTHDAYS  
& MEN-TO-SERVE SCHEDULE

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NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS

## WE ARE HERE FOR YOU

**Elders**

Bro Jimmy Lau  
Bro Michael Yeo

**Deacons**

Bro Jerry Cheong  
Bro Benjamin Tan

**Preacher**

Bro Ernest Lau

**Administrator**

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## Come, We That Love the Lord

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WE'RE MARCHING TO ZION

Isaac Watts, 1707

Ref., Robert Lowry, 1867

Robert Lowry, 1867

1. Come, we that love the Lord, And let our joys be known; Join  
 2. Let those re - fuse to sing Who nev - er knew our God; But  
 3. The hill of Zi - on yields A thou - sand sa - cred sweets, Be -  
 4. Then let our songs a - bound, And ev - 'ry tear be dry, We're

in a song with sweet ac - cord, Join in a song with sweet ac - cord,  
 chil - dren of the heav'n - ly King, But chil - dren of the heav'n - ly King  
 fore we reach the heav'n - ly fields, Be - fore we reach the heav'n - ly fields,  
 march - ing through Im - man - uel's ground, We're march - ing through Im - man - uel's ground,

And thus sur - round the throne, And thus sur - round the throne.  
 May speak their joys a - broad, May speak their joys a - broad.  
 Or walk the gold - en streets, Or walk the gold - en streets.  
 To fair - er worlds on high, To fair - er worlds on high.

(1.) And thus sur - round the throne, And thus sur - round the throne.

## REFRAIN

We're march - ing to Zi - on, Beau - ti - ful, beau - ti - ful Zi - on, We're  
 We're march - ing on to Zi - on,

march - ing up - ward to Zi - on, the beau - ti - ful cit - y of God.  
 Zi - on, Zi - on,

## 69

## Into Our Hands

Ruth Johnson Carruth, 1939

Tillit S. Teddlie, 1939

1. Swift - ly we're turn - ing life's dai - ly pag - es, Swift - ly the hours are  
 2. Mil - lions are grop - ing with - out the gos - pel, Quick - ly they'll reach e -  
 3. Souls that are pre - cious, souls that are dy - ing, While we re - joice our

chang - ing to years; How are we us - ing God's gold - en mo - ments?  
 ter - ni - ty's night; Shall we sit id - ly as they rush on - ward?  
 sins are for - giv'n; Did He not al - so die for these lost ones?

## CHORUS

Shall we reap glo - ry? Shall we reap tears?  
 Haste, let us hold up Christ the true light. In - to our hands the  
 Then let us point the way un - to heav'n.

gos - pel is giv - en, In - to our hands is giv - en the light, Haste let us

car - ry God's pre - cious mes - sage, Guid - ing the err - ing back to the right.

## All Things Are Ready

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COME TO THE FEAST

Charles H. Gabriel, 1895

William A. Ogden, 1895

1. "All things are read-y," come to the feast! Come, for the ta-ble now is spread; Ye  
 2. "All things are read-y," come to the feast! Come, for the door is o-pen wide; A  
 3. "All things are read-y," come to the feast! Come, while He waits to wel-come thee; De-  
 4. "All things are read-y," come to the feast! Leave ev-'ry care and world-ly strife; Come,

fam-ish-ing, ye wea-ry come, And thou shalt be rich-ly fed.  
 place of hon-or is re-served For you at the Mas-ter's side.  
 lay not while this day is thine, To-mor-row may nev-er be.  
 feast up-on the love of God, and drink ev-er-last-ing life.

## CHORUS

Hear the in-vi-ta-tion, Come,  
 Hear the in-vi-ta-tion, "Who-so-ev-er will,"

"who-so-ev-er will;" Praise  
 Hear the in-vi-ta-tion, "who-so-ev-er will;" Praise

God for full sal-va-tion For "who-so-ev-er will."  
 God for full sal-va-tion, "who-so-ev-er will,"

# WHEN CHRIST WITHDRAWS HIS FELLOWSHIP

*Adapted from Wayne Jackson*

It is a verse in which we take much comfort – but do we really understand it – in context? Jesus once said:

“

**“FOR WHERE  
TWO OR THREE  
ARE GATHERED  
TOGETHER  
IN MY NAME,  
THERE AM I IN  
THE MIDST OF THEM”**

”

(MT. 18:20).

The passage is often applied to a regular church assembly, especially when a very small number is present. A well-meaning brother may say: “Let’s not be discouraged; after all, the

Lord said, ‘If only two or three are gathered together, I’ll be with you.’” As sincere as the statement is, and, as true as that sentiment is, that is not the significance of the verse in its context.

Christ had raised the issue of one brother committing a personal sin against another. The wronged disciple was told to seek out the offender – with the two of them alone being present; there, he could register his grievance. If the guilty party refused to listen, a second visit was to be made, this time with witnesses – to judge the demeanor of the sinful brother. If all of these together could not prevail upon the offender to repent of his sin, the matter was to be laid before the church as a whole.

If the influence of the entire church could not persuade the transgressor to correct his wrong, he was to be treated as a “Gentile and a publican.” In that society, this meant – sever social interaction with him (18:15-17).

In such a serious matter, Christians must be certain they are pursuing the discipline correctly. Therefore, the things to be “bound” upon earth (in the disciplinary procedure), must be so enacted as to be in harmony with what has already been bound in heaven (this is the force of the Greek grammar).

Here, then, is the stunning point. When one is disfellowshipped by a faithful church, he also is disfellowshipped by the Lord Jesus Christ himself! Fathom that. Note these comments by R.C.H. Lenski.

“Since he [Jesus] is thus in the assembly of the church or present when two or three are convicting a brother of sin, it is he himself who acts with this church and its members when they carry out his Word by invoking also his presence and his help” (Commentary on Matthew, p. 707; emp. WJ).

It is a terribly serious thing to sin so flagrantly and impenitently

that church discipline becomes necessary. It is a sobering thing to reflect upon the fact that even the Savior will withdraw his fellowship from the obstinate rebel who cannot be approached, and upon whom no amount of compassion or persuasion prevails.

It is equally grave when church members will support the transgressor, rather than standing with the church as a whole. In so doing, such misguided members stand aloof from the Savior himself. This appears to have been the case at Corinth where apparently only a “majority” supported Paul’s commands regarding the disfellowship of the fornicator (1 Cor. 5:1ff; cf. 2 Cor. 2:6 – NASB).

In contrast, it is heartwarming when Christians have the courage to do the righteous and loving thing on behalf of the apostate child of God.

# Prayer Requests, Birthdays & Men-to-Serve Schedule



## HEALTH

- Sis Baby's, sis Yeoh's, sis Rosalind's, sis Swee Inn's & bro Winston's health
- Sis Suan Kiang's, bro Eddy (JCOC)'s health
- Bro Kenneth's recovery from dengue fever
- Bro Nove's father who is hospitalised due to breathing difficulties
- Sis Jasmine Lim's mother's recovery from fractured ankle
- Claire (sis Rhui Yin's daughter)'s recovery from her fractured leg
- James Teo (sis Kim Tian's brother)'s recovery from his bypass surgery

## OVERSEAS

- Bro Kenneth Liong & sis Iris in San Francisco



## PREGNANCY

- Sis Melissa (Aug)



## NSF

- Bro Shawn
- Bro Zachary
- Bro Wei Xiang



## THIS WEEK

- 3 Aug (Mon)** - Fong Yoke
- 4 Aug (Tue)** - Henry Leow
- 5 Aug (Wed)** - Rosalind
- 6 Aug (Thu)** - Wai Kheng
- 8 Aug (Sat)** - Martyn, Max & Alarico

## NEXT WEEK

- 10 Aug (Mon)** - Leonard & Daryl
- 12 Aug (Wed)** - Ludina & Germaine
- 14 Aug (Fri)** - Sarah
- 15 Aug (Sat)** - Cynthia Lee

**22 Aug (Sat)** -  
Veronica

**23 Aug (Sun)** -  
Jasmine Yong

**30 Aug (Sun)** - Sharyl  
**31 Aug (Mon)** - Suzanne

## **MEN-TO-SERVE (SUN)**

**2 AUG**

**9 AUG**

SONG LEADER  
& OPENING PRAYER

**JEREMY KWAN**

**ERNEST LAU**

SERMON TITLE

***WHAT IS WORSHIP?***

***PASS IT ON***

PREACHER

**ERNEST LAU**

**LOW CHONG PING**

LORD'S SUPPER, GIVING  
& CLOSING PRAYER

**TITUS GOH**

**ANDY LIN**

## **MEN-TO-SERVE (THU)**

**6 AUG**

**13 AUG**

BIBLE CLASS TOPIC  
& TEACHER

***GENESIS 30***  
**ERNEST LAU**

***GENESIS 31***  
**ERNEST LAU**



a warm note to say

# THANK YOU!

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

We would like to thank God that our daughter, Esther, is turning one this week, and that she is healthy. We thank God for giving her to us, to have someone to love and take care of, and in time to train her to love God.

Ben would also like to thank members for the allowance that LAP is providing as he studies at Four Seas College.

We pray that everyone is safe and healthy, and look forward to seeing everyone when the situation permits.

Benjamin Kwan & Deborah Tan





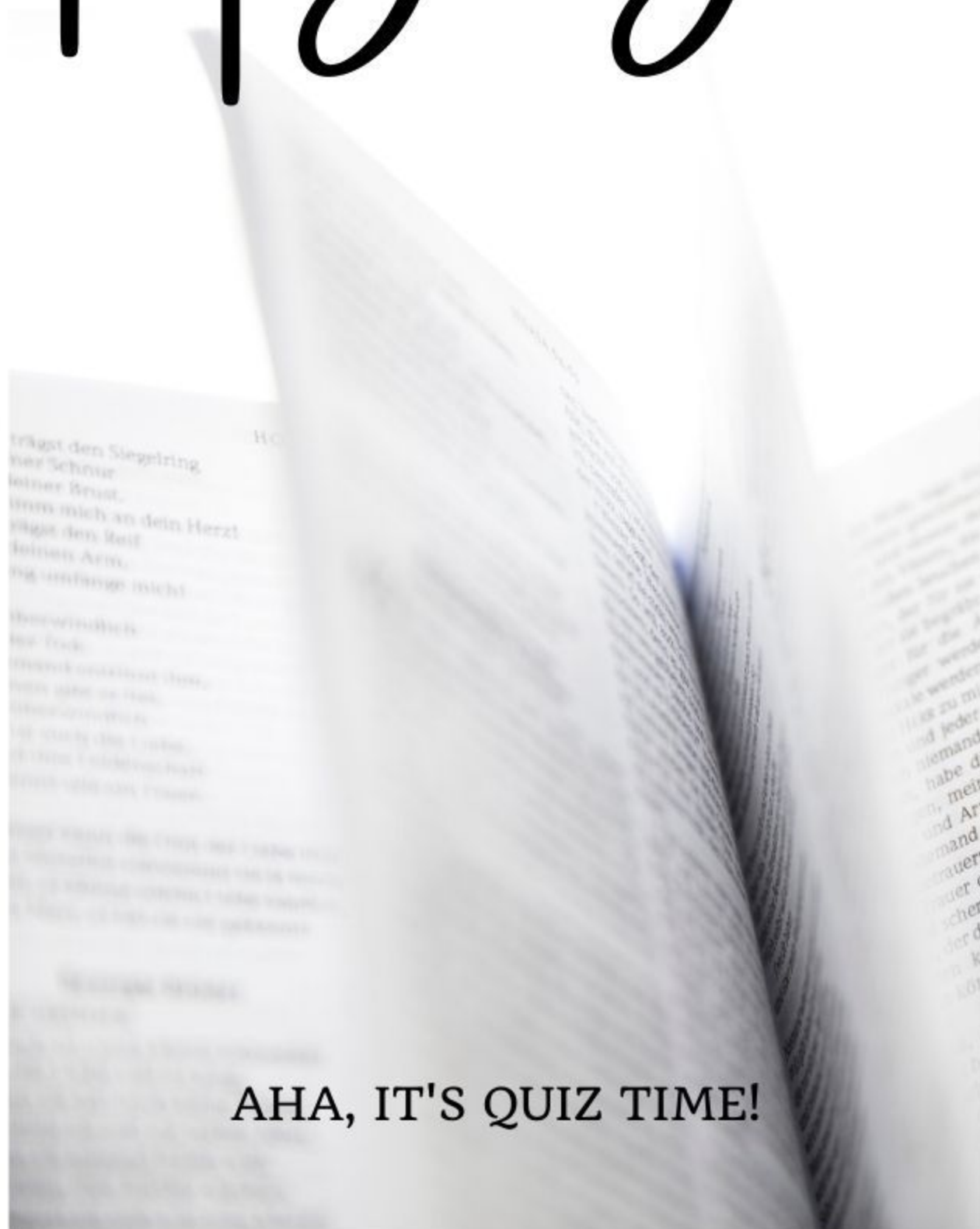
# BIBLE QUIZ

10 AUG | 10 AM

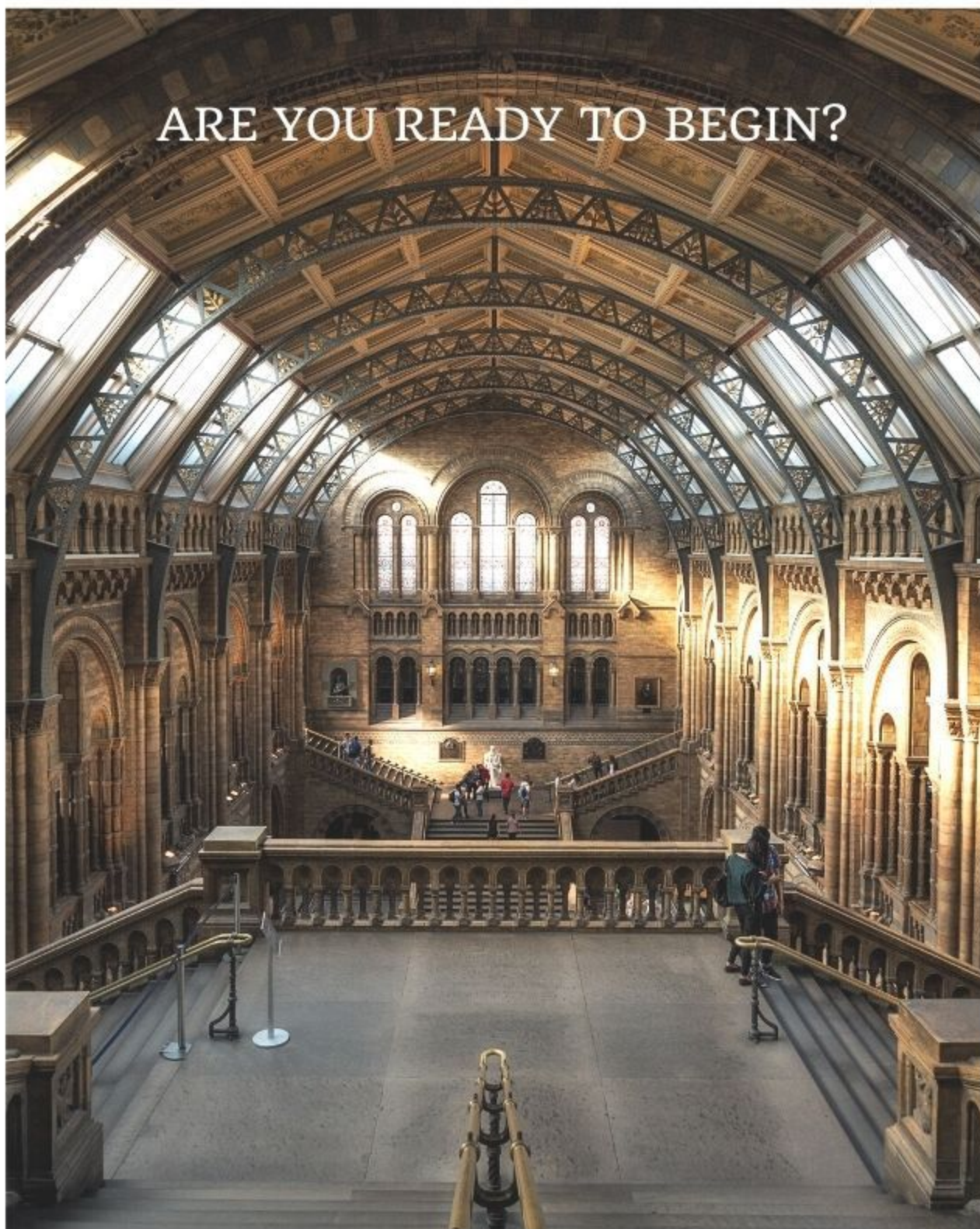
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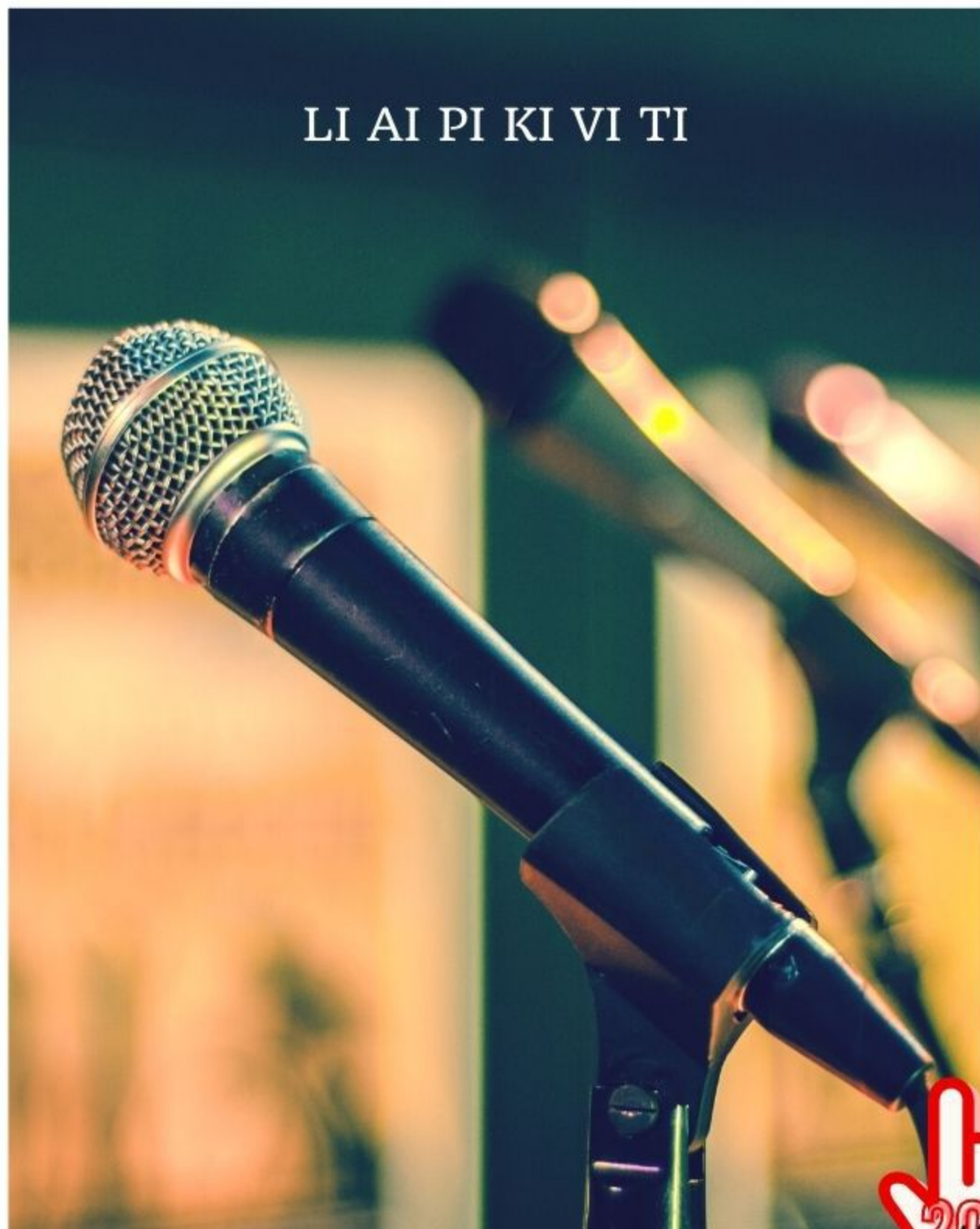
BREAK THE ICE



AHA, IT'S QUIZ TIME!



ARE YOU READY TO BEGIN?



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MISSION: FIGURE OUT WHAT WE WILL BE DOING ON 10 AUG!

