



Journey With One

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Discipling Like a Mom

2 Timothy 1:1-6, 1 Thessalonians 2:7

English Services

(8 & 10:30 a.m., & 5:30 p.m.)

Prelude

Call to Worship
Worship through Praise
Baptism (8 & 10:30 a.m.)
Worship through Fellowship
Worship through Giving
Worship in Music
Appreciation of Mothers
Scripture Reading
Worship in the Word

Pastor Sam Rendal Rev. Edmund Chan (10:30 a.m.)

Benediction

Filipino Service

(3 n.h.)

Paghahanda Tawag sa Pagsamba Pagsamba sa Pag-awit Pagkilala sa mga Bisita Pagsamba sa Pagbibigay Natatanging Bilang Pagkilala sa mga Nanay Pagbasa ng Salita ng Diyos Pakikinig sa Salita ng Diyos

Pastor Sam Rendal

Pangwakas na Panalangin at Basbas



Discipling Like a Mom

Message by Pastor Sam Rendal (13 May 2018, 8 a.m., 3 & 5:30 p.m.) / 2 Timothy 1:1-6, 1 Thessalonians 2:7)

INTRODUCTION

Discipleship is a life journey. It is the sharing of your life upon another. Discipleship is to care for yourself by imitating Christ, so that you may be able to care for others to become more like Christ. And the best way to care for someone is to care like a Mom cares for her children—Discipling Like a Mom.

1. COVER THEM WITH YOUR PRAYERS OF BLESSING, PROTECTION AND PROGRESS IN THEIR WALK WITH THE LORD (VV. 2-4, EPH. 6:18)

- a. Pray for the Lord's blessings upon them.
- b. Pray for their protection, progress in their walk with the Lord, that they might overcome fear, and that they might be steadfast in affliction.

2. **CELEBRATE THEIR LIFE** AS YOU ENCOURAGE THEM IN THEIR WALK WITH THE LORD AND IN THE MIDST OF THEIR CHALLENGES IN LIFE (VV. 3,5, 1 THESS. 5:11)

- a. Assure them of their salvation and progress in the Christian life.
- b. Affirm their family and life experiences.

3. **CULTIVATE THEIR LIFE** TOWARDS CHRISTLIKENESS (VV. 4-6, 1 COR.11:1)

- a. Engage with the things they value, their family, and their aspirations aside from their walk with the Lord.
- b. Encourage them to serve the Lord with their spiritual gifts and not to be hindered with their weaknesses.

FINAL THOUGHTS

Brethren, the only way we can disciple someone to become more like Christ is for us to be Christ-like. And the best way to disciple is to be discipling like a Mom!



The Harvest is Plentiful

Message by Rev. Edmund Chan (13 May 2018, 10:30 a.m.) / *Luke 10:1-19*

INTRODUCTION

In Luke 10:2, Jesus said something very important! Note the Four Big Surprises:

A. SURPRISE OF AN UNEXPECTED CRISIS

"The harvest is plentiful, the laborers are few..." (v. 2)

B. SURPRISE OF AN UNEXPECTED SOLUTION

"Pray that the Lord of the harvest will send forth labourers into His harvest." (v. 2-3)

C. SURPRISE OF AN UNEXPECTED INSTRUCTION

"Do not take a purse or bag or sandals; and do not greet anyone on the road." (v. 4)

D. SURPRISE OF AN UNEXPECTED RESOURCE

"'Behold I have given you authority." (v. 19)

CONCLUSION: LABORERS UNTO THE HARVEST!

The Shepherd's Voice



A blessed Mother's Day to all the moms of our GCF family: biological moms, adoptive moms, single moms, widowed moms, and spiritual moms. The church is truly blessed to celebrate your lives and ministry today. Thank you for loving us! After the Worship through Giving/Pagsamba sa Pagbibigay portions of our services today, we would like to appreciate you by asking you to stand, pray for you, and hand you a gift card with a claim stub for a token that can be claimed at the Ministry Information Booth right after the Benediction. I am praying for a meaningful day for you!

In line with this wonderful occasion, Pastor Sam Rendal will preach a Mother's Day sermon during today's 8:00 a.m., 3:00 p.m., and 5:30 p.m. worship services. I would like to briefly appreciate as well our Music,

Production, Ushering, and Visitor's Center teams for their continued ministry even today—a Sunday that is often spent especially for family. Thank you for your servant hearts!

In this attitude of thanksgiving, we are grateful for everyone who joined us during the Loving God Discipleship Conference the past two days led by Pastors Edmund and Ann Chan. Thank you to our Saturday night Traditional Service congregation, for allowing us to prioritize the conference dates and joining us today! Following the conference, Pastor Edmund Chan is today's 10:30 a.m. worship service preacher.

May the Lord be glorified on this blessed Sunday! Our God is to be praised! ■

Ablaze Devotional

Whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him... Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord. — Colossians 3:17, 20 (ESV)

GCF PRAYER GATHERINGS AT THE CHAPEL

The GCF Hour of Prayer Tuesdays, 6:00 to 7:00 a.m.

Midweek Prayer Service Wednesdays, 7 to 8:30 p.m.

In Scripture, the word Almighty gives an image of God as a powerful, muscled God. But in the original language, Almighty or Shaddai shows an image of sufficiency, care, and nourishment, an image of a parent nursing a child.

Our parents are the primary people that resemble God as Creator, since they are God's partners in creating the life of the child. They also represent Him in preserving and sustaining the life of a child. To honor means to give a high regard, and honoring our parents is giving them high importance in our lives for they bear the image and role of the Almighty God.

The fifth commandment to honor our parents is the only commandment among the ten that comes with a promise. Truly, this is so, for it is in our relationships that we reflect our worship to God. As God is our sustainer and nurturer, and our parents are His partners in doing so, we will live in fullness as we obey.

As we celebrate Mother's Day, we continue to pray with and for the mothers in our families and church community. Let us honor and thank them for their lives by showing care, support as they have shown to us as their children. As they have exemplified God's sustenance and care, so we, too, as God's children, continue to honor and care for them. Let us pray for these sisters and mothers that the grace of God abound more in their lives as they continue to trust and love Him and His church

Ministry Opportunities + Other Announcements



THE JOY OF MOTHERHOOD

SUPAMoms Fellowship with Dr. Ali Ng Gui May 26 (Sat), 9 a.m. to 12 noon, venue TBD Contact **0919 564 9004** or **0927 239 8525** register/for more info



SEMINAR ON THE HOLY SPIRIT

"Getting Acquainted with the Holy Spirit" by Dr. Harold Sala of Guidelines May 26 (Sat), 9-11:30 a.m., venue TBD Contact **0917 532 7672** to pre-register/for more info | Pre-registration is required | Reg. is **free**



S.H.E. MOVIE FELLOWSHIP

S.H.E. is a ministry for God's single women March 26 (Sat.), 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon at Audi A Contact Angel at **0917 532 7725** to pre-register Registration is until May 21 only



SHIPWRECKED: RESCUED BY JESUS

GCF Daily Vacation Bible School (DVBS) 2018
May 28 to June 2 (Mon.-Sat.), 8 a.m. to 12 noon
here at GCF | For kids ages 3-12
Registration is online: https://ybspro.events/p/

Registration is online: https://vbspro.events/p/ events/dvbsshipwrecked2018

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

May 2018

	May Budget	Received, May 1-6
General	9,024,881	2,397,741
Missions	927,000	166,932
	Jan. to May Budget	Received, JanMay
General		

Flower Ministry

The flowers this week are given with praise and thanksgiving to our God for His grace and mercy by LC, the Basilad family, the Valera family and by an anonymous donor.

Please call 632 1354 to 56 for inquiries on how to participate in this ministry.



Confessions of a "three-year-old" mom

by Daphne Guerra Tan

"The moment a child is born, the mother is also born. She never existed before. The woman existed, but the mother, never. A mother is something absolutely new." (Osho)

The first time I came across this quote was when our firstborn, Adi, was 10 months old. Now, he is almost three years old and a Kuya to our threemonth-old daughter, Lara. This means I'm also an-almost-three-year-old mother, twice over. And like our toddler, I still toddle a lot in this new and wonderful ministry called motherhood.

When the Lord blessed us with our second child, the knowledge and experience with our firstborn lessened the anxiety that usually besets first-time parents. While I am now more confident about being a mother, I still catch myself "wobbling" every now and then, like a kid balancing herself on a beam. Now that we have a toddler and a newborn, my husband and I find ourselves facing new parenting challenges: teaching discipline, dealing with sibling jealousy, managing time for each child to make sure their love tanks are full, and planning day-to-day activities.

Many times, at the end of an exhausting day, I find myself asking God, "Am I doing it right, Lord?" Thankfully, I am learning to surrender everything to God and trust that He who called me to be a mother is Himself establishing the work of my hands—and heart—in my children's lives.

For all mothers, I pray: May the good Lord grant us the grace to mother our children faithfully, all for our Father's glory and honor ■

ON THE COVER: Timothy and his grandmother (1648) by the Dutch painter Rembrandt (public domain, Wikimedia). The spiritual leadership that Timothy's biological kin (his mother Eunice and his grandmother Lois) shows us the importance of parents' and grandparents' role in molding children to have "sincere faith" (2 Timothy 1:5). This is one of the emphasis of the Oikos movement.

Join a

DISCIPLE-MAKING GROUP

Pass by the GGEX (Growth Group Express)!

Sundays, 9:30-10:30 a.m., Room B124 Get a feel of what a Growth Group is like before you participate in one. Come and join us!

Life in Technicolor Support Group

for cancer patients

Ages 10-12, B403

Every 3rd Sunday of the month 12:00-3:00 p.m. at the Seniors' Room

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

8 a.m.: Ages 1-3, B415; Ages 4-5, B410; Age 6, B414; Age 7, B403; Age 8, B413, Ages 9-10, B411; Ages 11-12, B409; Transition Age 13, B406

10:30 a.m.: Ages 1-2, B412; Age 3, B415; Age 4, B408; Age 5, B410; Age 6A, B402; Age 6B, B403; Age 7, B401; Age 8, B413; Age 9, B411; Age 10, B414; Age 11, B409; Age 12, B405; Transition Age 13, B406 **3 p.m.:** Ages 1-5, B415; Ages 6-9, B402;

5:30 p.m.: Ages 1-5, B415; Age 6, B402; Ages 7-9, B401; Ages 10-12, B403; Transition Age 13, B404

Nursery: 2nd flr. for nursing moms and babies aged one week to 11 months old Yayas: 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., B404 Sunday School Parents' Class: 9:30 a.m., B406

If you are interested in joining any of the small groups above, fill out the tear-off form inside this bulletin, drop it in the offering bag or submit it to the Growth Group booth at the lobby. For more information, you can text or call us at **0917 532 7740**.

Growth Group Leaders' Training *May 20, 27, June 3 and 10 (Sundays) 12:00-3:00 p.m. at B302-303*



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How may we SERVE YOU BETTER?

Fill-out this tear off form and drop it in an offering bag/box or at the Ministry Information Booth. Please check all that is applicable:

\bigcirc	I am a first-time guest.	
\bigcirc	I prayed to receive Jesus Christ as my Savior and Lord today.	
\bigcirc	I would like to know how to become a Christian.	
\bigcirc	I am interested in becoming a member of this church.	
\bigcirc	I want to join a Growth Group. (Specify age group:) (Specify group composition:)	
\bigcirc	I want to start a Growth Group.	
\bigcirc	I want to host a Growth Group.	
	Please share with us some information about yourself:	
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Name of Growth Group (if you already		
have one):		
7	Today is 13 May 2018 , and I attended the	
8 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 3:00 p.m., 5:30 p.m.		
	(encircle the time).	
v	Write below <i>any</i> inquiry or prayer item that	
v	you want to ask or share.	
	you want to use of shares	
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For hospital or house visitation, dedication service, or funeral service requests, please call or text 0917 532 7794.

God's Way to Heaven

THE GOSPEL

"Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures."

(1 Corinthians 15:3-4).

THE TRUTH ABOUT GOD

God is holy and righteous: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty, the whole earth is full of his glory" (*Isaiah 6:3*). **He requires holiness of us as well:** "Be holy, for I am holy" (*1 Peter 1:16*).

THE TRUTH ABOUT MAN

Man is sinful: "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (*Romans 3:23*). Sin demands a penalty: "For the wages of sin is death" (*Romans 6:23*).

THE TRUTH ABOUT CHRIST

Christ is the expression of God's love for us: "God demonstrates his own love for us in this: while we were still sinners, Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8). Christ paid the penalty of our sins and died for sinners: "For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God" (1 Peter 3:18). Through Christ, God offers man

reconciliation: "God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting men's sins against them" (2 Corinthians 5:18).

WHAT SHOULD WE DO?

Believe and receive Jesus as Lord and Savior: "If you confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved" (Romans 10:9).

PRAYER: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner. I believe that you died on the cross in my place, to save me from my sins, and I accept you as my Savior, and the Master of my life forever. Amen.

Need someone to talk to?

Visit the Emmaus Road Counseling Center at the GCF Mezzanine floor or contact 632 1354 to 56, 635 0078 to 80 or 0917 532 7794 for inquiries.