

# Responding Rightly to Our Redemption

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As we resume our Communion Sunday series, our passage is very appropriately about our right response to salvation. What happens to a believer who really appreciates the magnitude and extent of his/her salvation? What does God expect from a believer who has really experienced the saving grace of God?

#### 1. OUR GRACIOUS REDEMPTION BY GOD

### (A Review of Basic Soteriology, vv. 19-21)

- a) We are saved by what Jesus did the blood of Jesus gave us access to the very Presence of God.
- **b) We are saved because of who Jesus is** Jesus is the Great Priest over the house of God (heaven).

#### 2. OUR GRATEFUL RESPONSE TO GOD

### (A Basic Description of True Christianity, vv. 22-25)

"Let us" do these because they show the reality of our salvation. The three exhortations can be seen as acts of giving. When obeyed, they also serve effectively as "Vaccines against Consumer Christianity":

- a) GIVE GOD YOUR HEART: Draw near to Him with a sincere heart because you are welcome in His Presence.
  - As we are reminded by James 4:8, "Draw near to God, and He will draw near to you".
- **b) GIVE GOD YOUR TRUST:** Hold fast to the hope of your salvation because He is faithful.
  - Know Whom you believe, believe in the One you know, and such hope don't ever let go: 2 Timothy 1:12 NASB "...for I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that He is able to guard what I have entrusted to Him until that day".
  - Jesus illustrated four kinds of response to the Gospel in the Parable of the Sower. True Christians "are those who, hearing the Word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patience" (Luke 8:15).

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- c) GIVE BACK TO GOD BY SERVING OTHERS: Stir up others to love and good works in view of Christ's imminent return.
  - How can you stir up others to love and good works? By faithfully meeting even in hard circumstances; and by actively encouraging one another. Intentional mutual encouragement is meant to be a hallmark of Christianity.
  - A professing believer who doesn't value being with other believers, is probably not. You'll always seek out those like you.

#### **FINAL THOUGHTS**

In view of what Christ has done for us, the believer's entire life is simply a loving response to the Divine Initiator, who started the process when "God so loved... that He gave" (John 3:16). Jesus gave His life for us and then gave us His Spirit. The basic nature of Christianity is to give, not take, because that's how God dealt with us. This is the very opposite of Consumer Christianity, which has destroyed many lives, including churches that try to cater to it.

Like our gracious God, the genuine Christian lives to give: to give back to God, not get more from God; joins community Worship to offer, not take; and serves God to contribute, with or without human recognition or appreciation. That's how we respond rightly to our redemption.

#### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- 1. Why is it dangerous when people come to Worship Services with the attitude, "What's in it for me?" How does the example of how God treated us run counter to this attitude?
- 2. In true Worship, we come primarily to give not get. Is this principle also applicable to the discipleship of a new believer, i.e. should we also tell him/her that the Christian's life is about offering rather than getting? What Bible verses can you cite to support this?
- 3. As you pray together, ask God's Spirit to illumine every member of the family/group to rightfully discern what areas of life or ministry have become self-focused rather than God-focused; or have become about getting rather than giving. If need be, repent personally and silently then ask God to empower you to make the necessary corrections.



### WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING



Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

#### 2 Corinthians 9:7

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The GCF Mercy Ministry continues to accept donations, here's how:

For In-Kind Donations: drop off at the GCF Lobby from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

For Cash Donations: give via the GCF bank accounts (gcf.org.ph/give).

Email your deposit slip to finance@gcf.org.ph with the subject "For Bayanihan Food Stall".

For questions, contact the Mercy Ministry at 0917 532 7672 or mercy@gcf.org.ph

#### **COVID-19 EMERGENCY RESPONSE EFFORTS**

You may also give to support the church family's COVID relief efforts. Just indicate "For COVID-19 Fund" when you email your transaction document.





#### **TELECONSULTATION SERVICE IS NOW OPEN**

For appointments or questions, please contact: gcfocstef@gmail.com (9:00 AM - 12:00 NN) • gcfocluan@gmail.com (1:00 - 4:00 PM)

#### REMINDERS OF GOD'S CARE AND FAITHFULNESS DEVOTIONALS

Mondays and Fridays | 8:00 p.m. | Livestream on GCF Facebook and YouTube

#### LIVEstream (Youth LIVE Worship)

Saturdays | 5:00 p.m. | on youtube.com/user/gcfyouthlive

#### KIDS' L.I.F.E. ONLINE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sundays | 1:00 p.m | on Facebook at @GCFKidsLIFE

#### THE GCF FAMILY'S HOUR OF PRAYER

Thursdays | 8:00 p.m. | 9 p.m. | via Zoom

#### **HEAVEN, HELL AND LIFE AFTER DEATH (7-WEEK ONLINE BIBLE STUDY)**

Starts on May 9, 2021 | 8:15 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. | via Zoom

Pre-registration required:

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Register here: https://forms.gle/AbFBoqYT9Wc1y5FX7

#### YA TOUGH TOPICS: WHY WOULD A GOOD GOD ALLOW SO MUCH EVIL IN THE WORLD?

May 5, 2021 | 8:00 p.m. | LIVE on GCF Facebook and YouTube page

#### **WORSHIP CHATS (FEEDBACK, SUGGESTIONS, IDEAS)**

Share your thoughts about the Sunday Worship Services! Starting May 4 | Tuesdays 8:00 p.m. | via Zoom

#### SUPERHEROES ARE REAL. THEY ARE CALLED MOMS.

May 15 | Saturday | 3:00-5:00PM | via Zoom | Speaker: Ms. Natalie "Lee" Sepe Register at: bit.ly/GCFSupaMomsDay

#### **CALLING ALL DIGITAL CREATIVES AND MEDIA PROFESSIONALS**

Be part of the GCF Ortigas Comms Ministry. Sign up at bit.ly/GCFComms

#### **HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?**

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#### **GROW IN A GROWTH GROUP**

#### SENIOR ACHIEVERS | SENIORS (AGE 60 AND UP)

Thursdays | 6:30 p.m. | via Zoom | with Francie Lacanilao

#### **ONLINE VISITOR'S CENTER**

Are you joining us for the first time? We would love to get to know you more! Visit bit.ly/GCFwelcome



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