

## Message Guide July 4, 2021



# **JOHN 17**



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# The Lord's Prayer **JOHN 17**

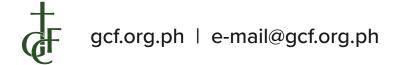
John 17 is the Lord's prayer. Jesus Himself humbly speaks to the Father. It is a sublime and powerful prayer God has answered and will continue to answer. Only Jesus can pray this prayer. Jesus prayed for Himself, His disciples then, and future believers. He prayed for you and me. God the Son, in His human incarnate form, prayed. It is a powerful prayer because the one who prayed is infinitely powerful. Jesus prayed and we are saved.

## 1. Jesus prayed for Himself (v. 1-5)

- It is a prayer of humble submission.
- It is a prayer for the Father's glorification.
- It is a prayer for our eternal salvation.
- It is a prayer for Christ's glorification.
- Believers are saved and can pray for Christ's glory to be seen in their lives.

# 2. Jesus prayed for the disciples who were with Him (v. 6-19)

- Jesus' prayer showed God's sovereign grace.
- Jesus' prayer was an exclusive prayer.
- Jesus' prayer showed His unity, intimacy, and equality with the Father.
- Jesus' prayer was a loving and protective prayer.
- Jesus' prayer was a comforting prayer.
- Jesus' prayer was a commissioning prayer.
- Jesus' prayer was a sanctifying prayer.
- Believers are safe and secure as they serve in whatever mission the Lord sends them.



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# 3. Jesus prayed for future believers (v. 20-26)

- It is a prayer confident of the expansion of God's kingdom.
- It is a prayer for the unity of the church.
- It is a prayer for our eternal glory.
- It is a prayer for God's love to continue to be known.
- Those who believe the gospel must share it so others will also see Christ's glory.

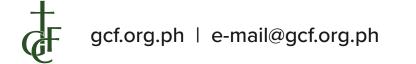
## **Final Thoughts**

**Jesus prayed and we are saved.** His prayer is the prayer of power. It will be answered. Let us be part of the answer. By His grace and through His power, we hear and listen to His voice and obey.

# **Discussion Questions**

- How will Jesus' prayer impact the focal point of your prayers? Are we so secure in our salvation, in our knowledge of God and Jesus, to be willing and ready to pray that our lives will bring glory to Him?
- 2. What is God wanting you to do to contribute to the mission of making disciples of Jesus? What next step can you take to continue the chain of sharing the Gospel?
- Pray and ask God for that one person or group of people whom you should be in prayer for, according to His will and for His glory. In obedience, seriously commit to pray daily for them.

Download the study guide: **bit.ly/MissionsStudyGuides** 





# The Shepherd's Voice

# Living Missionally: Listening to God's Voice GCF Missions Month

BY PASTOR DAGS MIGUEL

And the Lord came and stood, calling as at other times, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant hears." (1 Samuel 3:10, ESV)

#### How is Listening to God integral to Missions?

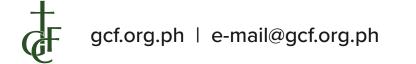
Last year, we learned that God's people, the Church, must embrace being the "Future Church: Mobilizing GCF to Impact the World Today and Tomorrow." We also learned in 2019, the call to be "Creative Witnesses as a Scattered Church". The church is responding actively to God's call through our Kingdom Impact initiatives: 1) Empowering GCFers for missional ministries, 2) Enlisting mission partners, 3) Establishing church plants, 4) Embracing Biblical social engagements, 5) Entering the digital space as a mission field.

This is why for 2021, we now call on the church to fuel its passion for the Great Commission and the Great Commandment by focusing on one of our church's core values of "vibrant worship and prayer (Acts 2:42-47)." We must understand the vital role of prayer in God's mission. We must actively listen and trust our God who hears and speaks to his people (Psalm 3:4; Psalm 17:6; 2 Chronicles 7:14; Isaiah 65:24).

The urgency to bring the Gospel to the nations has never been more clear, and so we call on the church to PRAY to the God of Mission as we continue on with our commitment to "make disciples of Christ in the Philippines and beyond".

#### So what is in store for Missions Month?

 Preaching of the Word: Hear God's Word on-site and online through our Sunday Worship services. Other avenues to hear and study God's Word together are: the RGCF Devotionals on Monday and Friday, Midweek Prayer Services, as well as KidsLIFE Sunday School and YouthLIVE services.





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- 2. Prayer Avenues: Join us and pray at any of these schedules: Midweek Prayer Service every Wednesday 8:00 PM via Zoom, the GCF Family Hour of Prayer every Thursday 8:00 PM via Zoom, and YouthLIVE's Monday Night Prayer via Discord. The Missions Month Prayer Calendar is available on the Facebook page of the Missional Disciple-Making Ministry (facebook.com/gcfmdm). This will guide us on how to pray for our missions partners and missionaries.
- **3. ChisMissions:** On all Saturdays of July, learn from various missionaries, as we chat with them concerning key issues in missions today, in partnership and co-hosted by the Disciple-Making Groups of GCF. This will be via Zoom, so save the link bit.ly/GCFChisMissions.
- **4. Growth Groups:** Discuss and apply God's Word through our Missions Month Weekly Study Guide as we collectively listen, pray and obey God's Word in the building up of His Kingdom.

To participate in these activities and to know the latest, follow Greenhills Christian Fellowship on Facebook and YouTube, and join the GCF Main

Viber community.

Let's commit to live missionally this July 2021 by listening to God's voice.



**Cross Cultural Discovery: South Korea** 

Personal / Group Activity

Whether you're alone or with a group, here's a fun activity you can do to learn more about South Korean culture!



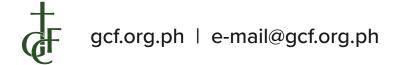
### SIGHT

- Zoom Backgrounds: bit.ly/ZoomKorea
- Traditional Clothes: bit.ly/ClothesKorea



### **TASTE & SMELL**

- Try out this Korean recipe: bit.ly/RecipeKorea Or check out these restaurants:
- Sibyullee Unlimited Korean BBQ
- Sariwon Korean Barbecue
- Romantic Baboy
- Kko Kko
- and more!



# 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** 

If you are led to give, you may do so through the following means:

## Account Name: Greenhills Christian Fellowship, Inc.

**BDO** BDO Corporate Center Savings Account: **000661590216** 

METROBANK Ortigas Sapphire Savings Account: 629-3-62919733-9

**CHINA BANK** Ortigas ADB Savings Account: **1112-02006218**  PAYPAL Please visit gcf.org.ph/give

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Ortigas Emerald Peso Savings Account: **9823 0217 01** 

#### UNIONBANK

UB Plaza Checking Account: **0005-9001-0426** 

#### **ROBINSONS BANK**

Main Office Savings Account: **1000-3010-0017-355**  PAYMAYA



Send a copy of your transaction document to **finance@gcf.org.ph** so your giving can be properly recorded and an official receipt can be sent to you.

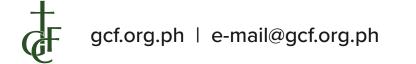
#### GCF BAYANIHAN FOOD STALLS

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.





# **Church Updates**

#### WORSHIP THE LORD WITH US ON-SITE (10:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE)!

Pre-register and learn about the guidelines at bit.ly/GCFOnSite

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

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

#### **MIDWEEK WORSHIP SERVICE**

Wednesdays | 8:00 p.m. | via Zoom

#### LIVEstream (YouthLIVE Worship)

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

#### **KidsLIFE ONLINE SUNDAY SCHOOL**

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

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

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

#### LOOK UP AND MOVE OUT

Let us plant churches with a high view of God and a high view of God's word! Visit **bit.ly/GCFChurchPlanting** to find out more!

#### **TELECONSULTATION SERVICE**

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

#### LISTEN: TESTIMONIES AND STORIES OF WISDOM

July 6 | Tuesdays 8:00 PM via Zoom bit.ly/WorkplaceFellowship | Passcode: Workplace

#### HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?

Message us your prayer requests at: Facebook: Greenhills Christian Fellowship | E-mail: pray@gcf.org.ph

## **GROW IN A GROWTH GROUP**

LORD'S VINEYARD - FRIDAY GROWTH GROUP MIXED MIXED (AGE 35 TO 79) Saturday | 7:00 p.m. | via Jitsi, https://meet.jit.si/LordsVineyardFriday | with Joel Pira

#### **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** 



