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PANIMULA

Bakit napapanahong pag-aralan natin ang aklat ng Efeso ngayon? Upang lubos nating maintindihan ang layunin ng Diyos, sariwain natin ang ating mga natutunan. Pinaalala sa atin ng aklat ng Mga Gawa kung paanong kumilkilosos ang Banal na Espiritu upang palakasin ang ating simbahan. Dahil sa kapangyarihan ng Diyos, tayo'y nagpapatuloy sa misyong ipalaganap ang mabuting balita bilang isang pamilya at komunidad. Sa aklat ni Nehemiah, ipinaalalang muli sa atin na tayo ay tinatawag upang makibahagi sa misyon at gawain ng Diyos bilang mga tapat at piniling mga mamamayan ni Cristo.

Sa gitna ng mga pinagdadaan ng ating mundo ngayon, ang kalakasan ng Diyos ay napapa-saatin (1:20). Kaya gunitain natin ang ating kaligtasan at isapuso natin ang paghahari ni Cristo sa ating buhay. Sa pamamagitan nito, tayo ay makakapamuhay ng may karunungan at pag-asa (1:17-19). Maipagpapatuloy rin natin ang tawag ng Diyos bilang mga saksi ni Cristo sa mundo (Mga Gawa 1:8) at piniling mga mamamayan ng Diyos (Nehemias 1:10; 1 Pedro. 2:9).

I. Pinabanal na mga Tagasunod ng Diyos (v. 1-2)

Ang tunay na tagasunod ni Cristo ay tapat sa Kanya dahil sa mabuting kalooban ng Diyos. Ang misyong ibinigay ng Diyos kay Pablo ay hindi lamang nalimita sa mga Hudyo. Siya at tayo rin ngayon ay pinili upang ibahagi ang salita ng Diyos sa iba't-ibang lahi upang makilala nila si Cristo Jesus. Biyaya at tungkulin natin bilang mga pinabanal na ipalaganap ang mabuting balita ni Cristo hindi lamang sa ating mga kaanak at kakilala, kundi pati narin sa iba pang mga tao (Mt. 28:18-20; Gawa 9:15-16; Efeso 2:11-13, 3:1).

A. Si Pablo: Piniling apostol ni Cristo (v. 1a)

B. Mga taga Efeso: Pinabanal na mga nagtiwala kay Cristo (v. 1b)

C. Ang biyaya at kapayapaang handog sa atin ng Diyos (v. 2)



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II. Piniling mga Anak Ayon sa Pag-Ibig ng Diyos (vv. 3-5)

Hinihikayat tayo ngayon ng Diyos na maunawan, isapuso at makilala ng lubusan ang kapangyarihan at paghahari ni Cristo Jesus sa ating mga buhay (Rom. 8:29-30; Efeso 1:15-23). Ito ay dahil sa pagpapala at biyayang ipinagkaloob ng Diyos sa kanyang mga pinabanal ayon kay Cristo Jesus:

- A. Biniyayaan tayo ng mga espiritwal na pagpapala galing langit (v. 3)
- B. Pinili tayo bago nilikha ang mundo para maging banal (v. 4)
- C. Itinalaga tayo upang maging anak (v. 5)

III. Papuri Para sa Pinakamamahal ng Diyos Ama (v. 6)

Nang dahil sa wagas na pag-ibig ng Diyos Ama, ibinigay Niya ang kanyang pinakakakamamahal at Bugtong na Anak sa sanlibutan (Juan 3:16-21). Nararapat lamang natin Siyang papurihan at sambahin (1:14-16) *dahil sa kamangha-mangha niyang biyaya na ibinigay sa atin sa pamamagitan ng kanyang minamahal na Anak* (1:6, ASND).

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Magbalik-tanaw. Sino sa buhay mo ang mga apostol Pablo na ginamit ng Diyos upang makilala mo si Jesus? Paano ka namuhay noong hindi mo pa kinikilala bilang Panginoon si Cristo? Sa paanong paraan natin nakakalimutan na tayo'y iniligtas na ng Diyos? Paano mo maipapamalas ng mga espiritwal na pagpapalang nakamtan natin mula sa Diyos sa ating personal na buhay, sa ating mga pamilya, kasama sa simbahan at sa iba pang mga tao?
2. Ikaw ba ay bahagi sa mga tinawag at pinili ng Diyos? Basahin ang Juan 3 at manalangin. Humingi ng kapatawaran para sa iyong mga kasalanan. Tanggapin ang alok na kaligtasan at pag-ibig ng Diyos Ama sa pamamagitan ni Cristo Jesus. Ibahagi sa iba ang pagmamahal at kaligtasan na iyong natanggap mula sa Panginoon.

Download the study guide: bit.ly/EphesiansStudyGuides

The Shepherd's Voice

by Emerson Manaloto



Our Three-Year Discipleship Thrust

*“...and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also”
(2 Timothy 2:2).*

The DMG or Disciple-Making Group Ministry has already launched the GCF's three-year Discipleship Program at the first half of this year to establish discipleship relationships among spiritual and biological family members. Amid the pandemic and community quarantine, two GCF-wide webinars on *“Inter-Generational Discipleship”* and *“Family-Based Discipleship”* were conducted to encourage church leaders to journey together with the younger generation in the congregation and inspire also parent leaders to disciple their own children at home.

We envision that the *GCF leadership will double in number as more potential young leaders from each of the clusters and families are developed and growing towards spiritual maturity and kingdom impact by the end of 2023.* And the strategy to reach this goal is through the three-level inter-generational discipleship relationships established by both church shepherds and “house shepherds” (aka trained parent leaders).

To fulfil this God-sized vision, our elders, pastors, and Growth Group leaders will work together to shepherd the flock by feeding, leading, and caring for them. As Christ's undershepherds, they will teach God's Word during various meetings; develop potential leaders through intergenerational discipleship; and then also visit and pray for them. Generally, they will oversee God's people to ensure that they all flock into the big gathering during worship services to graze in the green pasture and then are led back to their respective sheep pens or small gatherings for discipleship in Growth Groups.

The Inter-Generational Discipleship or IGD is simply defined as “the passing on of our faith from one generation to another in the church or at home.” IGD is also related to “Family-Based Discipleship” (FBD). FBD can either be inter-generational, if the discipleship relationship to be established is among younger members of the family (e.g. *Parents disciplining their children*), or within the “same-generation” at home (e.g. *Spouses disciplining their partners*).

While disciplining the next generation through IGD may be harder when compared to disciplining someone from the same generation, our flock needs more of that kind of discipleship relationship in order to grow towards spiritual maturity and kingdom impact. It is essential for our church to have a succession plan where the older generation of leaders will pass down their wisdom to the potential young generation of leaders, whether that be in the church or at home. So, who now in your spiritual or biological family are you specifically thinking of establishing a discipleship relationship with and when are you planning to begin? It is never too late to start today!

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2 Corinthians 9:7

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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

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Just indicate "**For COVID-19 Fund**" when you email your transaction document.

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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

THE GCF FAMILY'S HOUR OF PRAYER

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

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FAMILY GGEX (GROWTH GROUP EXPRESS)

Every Sunday Morning | 11:30 a.m. – 12:00 nn) | GGEx Leader: Pastor Emerson Manaloto
Zoom: bit.ly/FamilyGGEx • Passcode: familyGGEx | Contact Marj: 0917-779-1549

GROWTH GROUP LEADERSHIP TRAINING (LEVEL 1)

August 22, & 29 | 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. | Pre-registration required: bit.ly/GGLT1Aug2021
For Inquiries, contact: 0917 779 1549

LIVING A LIFE OF TRUE WORSHIP (7-WEEK ONLINE BIBLE STUDY)

August 1 – September 12 | 8:00 – 9:00 a.m. | Pre-registration required:
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