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10 Apr 2022

The Blessings of "Every-member" and "Whole-life" Ministry

EPHESIANS 4:14-16

English Worship Service

10:00 AM and 5:00 PM • Live In-Person and Online

Call to Worship

Worship Through Praise

Worship Through Giving

Church Updates

Community Prayer

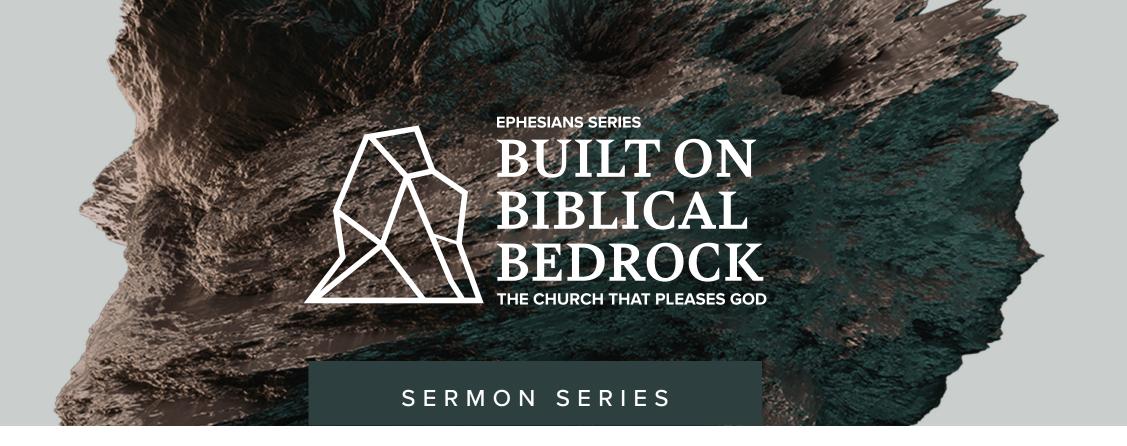
Scripture Reading

Worship in the Word

Dr. Larry Pabiona

Response Song

Benediction



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 GODGod 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 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, 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, be merciful to me, a sinner. I believe that You are the Son of God who took the penalty for my sins on the Cross. I humbly ask You to be my Savior and submit to you as my LORD forever. Amen.

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TODAY'S MESSAGE | APRIL 10, 2022

The Blessings of "Every-member" and "whole-life" Ministry

EPHESIANS 4:14-16

What is "every-member ministry"? Ephesians 4:7-10 teaches that God gives every Christian gifts and opportunities through which you can serve Him, bless others, and enjoy life. Every Christian is called to serve! Some of us need to stop searching and start serving when it comes to gifts.

What is "whole-life ministry"? Ephesians 4:11-13 shows us that God provides gifted people to equip Christians to minister every single day in every single aspect of their life — e.g., workplace, home, community, and online. No more clergy/laity or sacred/secular divide! As members minister, they grow spiritually, and as the whole church ministers, Christ's Body grows.

As God wants us to do, what are the blessings of taking part in "every-member" and "whole-life" ministry?

1. YOU ARE PROTECTED FROM FALSE TEACHING. (Ephesians 4:14)

- Spiritual infants are often shaken by every new teaching and ask, "Why am I not doing this?" or "Why is my church not like that?"

 But are those teachings really new? (Ecclesiastes 1:9-10)
- The spiritual maturity that comes as shepherd-teachers equip you and as you serve with your gifts give discernment. This protects you from false teaching and false teachers.

2. YOU GROW MORE LIKE CHRIST THROUGH LOVE AND TRUTH. (Ephesians 4:15)

- Truth and love are always together in the Bible. They are how God grows us spiritually and how we grow in relating to others. How do love and truth relate to each other and us?
 - a. The goal of Bible truth is love. (1 Timothy 1:5)

 Never use biblical truth as an alibi to beat people up or manipulate them with the Bible. Instead, we study biblical truth to grow more like Christ, and we speak biblical truth to bless others because our hearts are motivated by Christ-like love.
 - b. Love rejoices in the truth. (1 Corinthians 13:6)

 Don't use love as an alibi to compromise doctrine. It's a slippery slope you can't recover from. You can be ruthless with the truth; we must renounce that. But there is a way to speak the truth in love, and for that, we must aspire! As we do this, our relationships with everyone reap the blessing of doing things God's way.

3. OUR CHURCH GROWS IN LOVE. (Ephesians 4:16)

- Empowered by Christ, as each church member does whole-life ministry, it helps other members grow until the whole Body is healthy and growing in love for God and each other.
- We keep pointing out this truth: "It's a set-up." God sets us up to find joy in using our gifts to bless others and serve Him. A Christian who won't serve always loses more than he thinks he gains.

FINAL THOUGHTS

Is God really what the wicked servant accused Him of in Matthew 25:24, "a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you scattered no seed"? Here's the correct view of God: "As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear Him", Psalm 103:13. Out of love, through Jesus, God gave us gifts, opportunities, gifted people to equip us, and a spiritual family to belong to. In using your gifts, you grow from truth and love. That's your compassionate Father who is for you, not against you. May God bless your "whole-life" ministry richly!



Holy Week

Holy Week is a time of commemorating the Gospel, the Good News of God's grace. It is a time we set aside in a very special way to worship God, to "Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world" (John 1:29).

We remember that God showed His love for us that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us (Romans 5:8). We remember Jesus' crucifixion, His death and His resurrection. The apostle Paul described the gospel in 1 Corinthians 15:1-8:

Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, ² and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

³ For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁴ that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁵ and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶ Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. ⁷ Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles.

⁸ Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me.

From this passage you can condense the Gospel in 10 words – Christ died for our sins and rose from the dead.

You and I are called to proclaim the Gospel. We are to be witnesses of Christ (Acts 1:8). Our Mission as a church is "to make disciples of Jesus Christ in the Philippines and beyond (Matthew 28:18-20). Our motto is to "Know Christ and Make Him Known". As we together remember the love of Christ for us, let us love others by proclaiming the Gospel. Invite your family and friends this Holy Week, especially those who have yet to hear the Good News.

CRUCIFIED, DEAD, BURIED

A Good Friday Service on the Seven Last Words April 15, 5:00 p.m. Live on-site and online

ALIVE!

A Worship Celebration of the Risen Christ April 17, 10:00 a.m. Live on-site and online

EASTER PRAYER CONCERT

GCF Ortigas
Family Fellowship
April 17, 3:00 p.m.
Live via Zoom

May this time of reflection and worship richly bless you and your loved ones.

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



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.



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.



Missions Support

By God's grace, GCF continues to support missionaries and missionary organizations. If you are being led by the Holy Spirit to designate your giving to our Missions Support Fund, please indicate "FOR MISSIONS" when you email your transaction document to finance@gcf.org.ph

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

BPI

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

PAYPAL

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LIST OF SBCF'S NEEDS: GCF.LINK/SBCFGIVE



Shower of Blessings for SBCF

Let us help meet the needs of Subic Bay Community Fellowship (SBCF) as an expression of worship that results in thanksgiving to God! (2 Corinthians 9:12)

To "shower" SBCF with "blessings", you may give through the official GCF accounts. Email your transaction document to finance@gcf.org.ph and indicate "For SBCF Shower of Blessings". For inquiries, email churchadmin@gcf.org.ph





WORSHIP WITH US ON-SITE

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES 10:00 a.m. (ENGLISH) • 3:00 p.m. (FILIPINO) 5:00 p.m. (ENGLISH)

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

- · Vaccination card required at entrance.
- If you (or household) have symptoms, stay home and worship online.
- Good-fitting masks required.
 Face shields are optional.

KidsLIFE WORSHIP

For kids aged 7-12
Only for the 10:00 a.m. Worship Service
Pre-Registration required at
gcf.link/KidsLIFEonsite

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

- Venue: Youth Center, 6th Floor
- Kids aged 6 below should join their parents in the Worship Service

REMINDERS OF GOD'S CARE AND FAITHFULNESS DEVOTIONALS

Tuesdays • 8:00 p.m. Livestream on GCF YouTube and Facebook

KidsLIFE Online

Saturdays

- Ages 2-6 10:00 a.m.
- Ages 7-12 10:15 a.m. Livestream on GCF YouTube and Facebook

LIVEstream (YouthLIVE Worship)

Saturdays • 5:00 p.m Livestream on GCF YouTube and Facebook

TELECONSULTATION SERVICE

For medical appointments or questions, contact:

- gcfocstef@gmail.com (9:00 a.m. — 12:00 nn)
- gcfocluan@gmail.com
 (1:00 4:00 p.m.)

THE GCF FAMILY'S HOUR OF PRAYER

New Timeslot and New Venue Starting April 7 (Thursday) 7:00 p.m. at GCF Ortigas and via Zoom

SAVED TO SERVE

Virtual Ministry Fair April 24 (Sunday) 1:30 — 3:00 p.m. via Zoom Meeting ID: 839 7594 0309 Passcode: Romans12:6

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STAY CONNECTED

On-demand viewing of our Worship Services will be available every Monday.

DEPRESSED? ANXIOUS? LOST A LOVED ONE?

If you need someone to talk to, we are here to listen.
Contact us at GCF ERCC Hotline:
0917 532 7794

HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?

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

ONLINE VISITOR'S CENTER

Is it your first time today?
We want to personally welcome you via Zoom after the 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Worship Services.

Zoom Room: gcf.link/WelcomeToGCF

Welcome Form: gcf.link/GCFWelcome

