

# JULY 2023 **GCF ORTIGAS**

THE ONE ANOTHER COMMANDS OF THE BIBLE

### **Submit to One Another Out of** the Fear of Christ

EPHESIANS 5:18-21

JULY 15-16, 2023

**Traditional Worship** Saturday 5:30 PM

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### ENGLISH SERVICES SUNDAY • 10:00 AM & 5:30 PM

Call to Worship

Worship Through Praise

Community Prayer

Worship Through Fellowship

Scripture Reading

Worship in the Word

### Pastor Larry Pabiona

Response Song

Worship Through Giving

Benediction

### FILIPINO SERVICE SUNDAY • 3:00 PM

Tawag sa Pagsamba

Pagsamba sa Pag-awit

Panalanging Pangkapulungan

Pakikipag-ugnayan

Pagbasa ng Banal na Kasulatan Pag-aaral ng Salita ng Diyos

Pastor BJ Sebastian

Tugon na Awit

Paghahandog

Basbas

## **English Message Outline**

THE ONE ANOTHER COMMANDS OF THE BIBLE

### Submit to One Another Out of the Fear of Christ

EPHESIANS 5:18-21

"Submit" is almost a dirty word for some. For them, it reeks of inferiority, cowardice, of being a doormat. But the Bible reveals a way of submission among Christians that not only empowers but frees you to enjoy other Christians and have a preview of what eternal fellowship looks like. And it all connects to the way our Master lived and demonstrated how and why it works. What does the Bible say about submitting to one another?

### The Enabler of our submission: "Be filled with the Spirit." (Ephesians 5:18)

 God never asks us to do what He has not first enabled. We can submit to one another because God helps us, not because we can do it in our strength.

### The Exhortation for our submission: "Submitting to one another." (Ephesians 5:21a)

- Gr. "hupotasso": arrange your life voluntarily under the authority of another.
- This is not about "mutual subordination" but the mutual willingness to sacrificially serve another regardless of roles and authority structures (cf. examples in Ephesians 5:22–6:9).

### The End goal of our submission: "Out of reverence for Christ." (Ephesians 5:21b)

 The fear of Christ: more than mere respect, it is a deep, transformative reverence and awe that comes from acknowledging His Deity, rightful authority, and sacrificial love.

### The Examples of submission: (Ephesians 5:22-6:9)

- Wife to husband: The wife must respect her husband and his headship.
   But the husband must be so willing to sacrifice for her that he would give his life if necessary.
- Children to parents: They must obey their parents in the Lord and honor them.
   But not only should the parents not exasperate them; they must sacrifice their lives to bring their children up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.
- "Slaves" to masters: They must obey their master and serve with goodwill, as to the Lord. But the master must also serve them with goodwill sacrificially, as to the Lord.

### **FINAL THOUGHTS**

We need God's enabling to submit to one another because we all struggle with this. Saving the best example for last: "who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross." (Philippians 2:6–8). Obedient to whom? God the Father, with whom Jesus was co-equal, co-eternal, even if that obedience required Him to lay aside the privileges of Deity to become the perfect sacrifice for sinners. Jesus is the highest and best example of submission among equals, and why it works so well. ■

## **Filipino Message Outline**

THE ONE ANOTHER COMMANDS OF THE BIBLE

### Magpasakop sa Isa't Isa Dahil sa Takot Kay Kristo

**EPHESIANS 5:18-21** 

Para sa marami ang magpasakop ay masama ang dating. Para sa kanila ito ay pagiging mababa, duwag at mahina. Ngunit sa Bibliya, ang pagpapasakop sa isa't isa ang nagpapalaya sa atin para matikman ang sarap ng kapatiran, at ang tamis ng walang hanggang pakikipag-ugnayan sa langit. At ang lahat ay nagmula sa buhay at halimbawa ng ating Panginoon. Ano ba ang sinasabi ng Bibliya tungkol sa pagpapasakop sa isa't isa?

### ANG KAPANGYARIHAN NG PAGPAPASAKOP: "Be filled with the Spirit" (Ephesians 5:18)

 Maari tayong magpasakop sa isa't isa dahil sa tulong ng Diyos, hindi dahil sa ating sariling lakas. Laging binibigay ng Diyos ang kapangyarihan para sumunod sa Kanyang ipinag-uutos.

### ANG KAUTUSAN NA MAGPASAKOP: "Submitting to one another" (Ephesians 5:21a)

- "Hupotasso" ihanay ang inyong buhay sa ilalim ng awtoridad ng iba.
- Ito ay pagpayag na maglilingkod sa isa't isa nang may pagsasakripisyo, anuman ang mga tungkulin na iginagawad ng lipunan sa atin.

## 3. ANG LAYUNIN NG ATING PAGPAPASAKOP: "Out of reverence for Christ" (Ephesians 5:21b)

 Isang malalim at nakakabago na paggalang at pagsamba sa Kanya na nagmumula sa pagkilala ng Kanyang pagka-Diyos, karampatang awtoridad at nagsakripisyong pag-ibig.

### 4. ANG MGA HALIMBAWA NG PAGPAPASAKOP: (Ephesians 5:22-6:9)

- Mga asawang babae sa asawang lalaki: Respeto at suporta mula sa babae; mapag-sakripisyong pagmamahal mula sa lalaki.
- Mga anak sa magulang: Pagsunod at paggalang mula sa mga anak; mapagsakripisyong pagpapalaki sa disiplina at alituntunin ng Panginoon, mula sa magulang.
- Mga lingkod sa mga amo: Pagsunod at mabuting paglilingkod mula sa mga lingkod; mapagpalang pamamahala mula sa mga amo; at lahat para sa Panginoon.

### **FINAL THOUGHTS**

Kailangan natin ang kalakasan ng Diyos para magpasakop sa isa't isa dahil mahirap talaga sundin ito. Ang pinaka-dakilang halimbawa: "who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross." (Philippians 2:6–8). Siya ay naging masunurin sa Ama kahit na Sila ay parehong walang hanggan at parehong Diyos, kahit na ito ay nagresulta sa Kanyang pagiisang-tabi ng Kanyang pribilehiyo bilang Diyos, para maging dakilang sakripisyo para sa mga makasalanan. Siya ay ating pinaka-mabuting halimbawa para sa atin. ■



## The Shepherd's Voice

### By Pastor Arnold Perona, Seniors Cluster Ministry Lead Elder

To all the **senior adults** in our church family, I share with you this brief note from Psalm 62, with prayer, that we may be led and guided, encouraged and empowered in our continuing journey through life.

Do you ever feel like an endangered species? If we are to believe what we see in the media, there is a growing list of endangered plants and animals. When people in our peculiar age are discouraged, depressed, shaken, and stirred, we may sometimes feel that we too are an endangered species soon to go into oblivion.

That is what Psalm 62 is about, and more. David was besieged by enemies who were treating him as if he were a "leaning wall," "a tottering fence," and were doing everything to push him over and out. Yet. David was neither worried nor stressed as he listened and trusted God.

The concluding verses of Psalm 62 point to David's source of calm in the face of pressure: the trust that his God is "strong" (v. 11) and "loving" (v. 12).

Stewart Perowne reflects on these attributes: "This is the only truly worthy representation of God. Power without love is brutality, and love without power is weakness. Power is the strong foundation of love, and love is the beauty and crown of power."

Are you feeling like an endangered species amidst the chaos of old age and challenges of life? Like David, listen and trust God in His Word — find rest in Him alone.

We encourage all GCF seniors to band together in Growth Groups and fellowship in God's Word. May we read, reflect, and have a greater resolve from Psalm 62 as we celebrate our lives and testify in Christ especially in the upcoming Grandparents Sunday on September 10! ■



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## come WORSHIP WITH US!

Together, let's seek to know Christ and make Him known

### **WORSHIP SERVICES**

### **SUNDAYS**

10:00 AM - English\* 3:00 PM - Filipino 5:30 PM - English

### **SATURDAYS**

5:00 PM - YouthLIVE Worship 5:30 PM - Traditional Worship

### **WEDNESDAYS**

7:00 PM - Ortigas Community Worship

Join us in-person at GCF Ortigas \*KidsLIFE Sunday School every Sunday 10:00 AM

### PRAYER GATHERING

### **THURSDAYS**

8:00 PM

GCF Family's Hour of Prayer Via Zoom Meeting ID: 848 3227 7763

Passcode: 984990

### **BIBLE STUDY**

### SUNDAYS

9:00 AM

Sunday Bible School Series: Basic Doctrines Live at GCF Chapel

### **ON-SITE FELLOWSHIP**

### **FRIDAYS**

7:30 рм

Young Adults (YA) Fridays Open to 20-40 year olds 6th Floor, GCF Ortigas

### **GROWTH GROUPS**

Discipleship groups for all ages, all days of the week, throughout Metro Manila and online

SIGN-UP AT acf.org.ph/growth-groups

## TRUTHS ABOUT

### THE CHARACTER OF GOD

God is holy, pure, and just. He rightfully and righteously judges and punishes all sin.

Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory! (Isaiah 6:3)

Who will not fear you, O Lord, and glorify vour name? For you alone are holy. (Revelation 15:4)

### THE CRISIS WE FACE

We all have failed God's standard and face God's righteous judgment.

For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God... (Romans 3:23)

For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth. (Romans 1:18)

### THE CALL OF JESUS

The Lord Jesus is God's only way for us to be forgiven and reconciled to God. He took the judgment for our sins on the Cross, and whoever comes to Christ for forgiveness, He gives new life and an eternal relationship with God.

66 Jesus said "I am the way, and the truth. and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." (John 14:6)

For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Romans 6:23)

The Lord Jesus is calling out to us: "Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls." (Matthew 11:28-30)

### WHAT MUST WE DO?

Come to the Lord Jesus for forgiveness and salvation:

"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."

# Church UPDATES AND UPCOMING EVENTS

### YouthLIVE and KidsLIFE

### LIVEstream (YouthLIVE Worship)

Saturdays • 5:00 PM
Auditorium A, GCF Ortigas & online
Open to high school and college aged youth

### All-New KidsLIFE Sunday School

(except 1st and Special Sundays) Sundays • 10:00 AM 4th Floor, GCF Ortigas

- KidsLIFE Play & Learn (ages 2–5)
  Pre-register at gcf.link/PlayNLearnReg
- KidsLIFE Worship (ages 6–12)
   Pre-register at gcf.link/KidsLIFEonsite



## FAMILY DISCIPLESHIP CONFERENCE 2023: Parenting Today's Children

9:00 AM–4:00 PM Auditorium A, GCF Ortigas Open to all parents (couples and single parents)

Register via gcf.link/FamDCon2023

### DO YOU NEED SOMEONE TO TALK TO?

If you need support or clarification on some issues, we are here to help.

GCF ERCC Hotline: 0917 532 7794

### **ALL MEN GROWTH GROUP EXPRESS**

Sundays • 9:00 AM • Room B123 Ongoing Classes:

"Being a Disciple: Counting the Real Cost"
"Fatal Distractions: Conquering Destructive
Temptations"

### ARE YOU HERE FOR THE FIRST TIME?

We would love to connect with you after every Worship Service! Reach out to us at gcf.link/GCFWelcome

On-Site: Drop by BM07, Mezzanine Floor

Online via Zoom: gcf.link/WelcomeToGCF



### WOMEN'S MINISTRY PR 31.10: YOU'RE A TEA-RRIFIC MOM! 2:00-4:00 PM

Fellowship Hall, Ground Floor

Register via gcf.link/WomensPr3110

### **QUESTIONS ABOUT GCF ORTIGAS?**

Want to join a Growth Group? Looking to apply for church membership? Curious about the various ministries?

Visit the new INFO HUB at the Lobby