



GCF ORTIGAS  
FEBRUARY 2024

# Worship

## BULLETIN

COMMUNION SERIES ON LUKE:  
GOD THE SON, SON OF MAN

### Our Joy in the New Covenant

**LUKE 5:33-39**

**FEB 3-4, 2024**

**Traditional Worship  
Saturday • 5:30 PM**

### ENGLISH SERVICES

**SUNDAY • 10:00 AM & 5:30 PM**

Call to Worship  
Worship Through Praise  
Worship Through Fellowship  
Scripture Reading  
Worship in the Word  
*Pastor Larry Pabiona*  
Confession Prayer  
Communion  
Worship Through Giving  
Response Song  
Benediction

### FILIPINO SERVICE

**SUNDAY • 3:00 PM**

Tawag sa Pagsamba  
Pagsamba sa Pag-awit  
Pakikipag-ugnayan  
Pagbasa ng Banal na Kasulatan  
Pag-aaral ng Salita ng Diyos  
*Pastor BJ Sebastian*  
Panalanging Pangungumpisal  
Banal na Hapunan  
Paghahandog  
Tugon na Awit  
Basbas



# English Message Outline

COMMUNION SERIES ON LUKE: GOD THE SON, SON OF MAN

## Our Joy in the New Covenant

LUKE 5:33–39

I've never been to a sad wedding. By their very nature, weddings are always festive and joyful. Our passage today speaks of the joy of Christ's entry into our lives with the Gospel and the New Covenant it brings, and Jesus likened this to the joy of a groom's best friends at his wedding. Jesus is teaching that the greatest blessing of becoming a Christian is Jesus Himself, not just the salvation He brings. Note how He answers their question:

(Luke 5:33) **THE COMPARISON:** Jesus' followers were not following the legalism of the Pharisees and the asceticism of John the Baptist's followers.

(Luke 5:34–38) **THE CLARIFICATION:** Jesus gave three examples to explain why the New Covenant, introduced by His arrival and culminating with His death and resurrection, cannot be retrofitted into the Old Covenant:

- a. (vv. 34–35) The entry of Jesus into our world (the Kingdom of God) and our lives (salvation) calls for a feast, not a funeral! Are we living with joy like we are meant to?
- b. (v. 36) Jesus did not come to patch up the Old Covenant; He came to give us the New. The new way of life through the Gospel cannot be linked with the old way of Judaism without destroying both. Legalists had misused the Law and turned Judaism into a religion of faith plus works. Sounds familiar? That still doesn't work *today*.
- c. (vv. 37–38) Jesus gave us the new wine (New Covenant) through the Gospel. The new wine (New Covenant) must be placed in the new wineskin of grace, not into the old one of Law. Even as believers, we continue to live by grace and should not be tempted back to live by legalism but by love.

### FINAL THOUGHTS

Jesus wasn't against the Law; He was the only person who perfectly kept it. He fulfilled it so much so that God's Law is now written on our hearts—the New Covenant (Hebrews 10:16). It means we can fulfill the Ten Commandments by the power of the Spirit, not by legalism (2 Corinthians 5:17).

Sadly, then and today, some choose the old way because that is most comfortable and convenient for them (Luke 5:39). If you can put your faith in Christ and His finished work on the Cross today, you are freed from the old way, and we gladly invite you to share in the Lord's Table with us, just as Jesus wanted. ■



# Filipino Message Outline

COMMUNION SERIES ON LUKE: GOD THE SON, SON OF MAN

## Ang Luma Ay Lipas Na. Ang Bago Ay Narito Na

LUKE 5:33-39

Naiiba ang Kristiyanismo sa lahat ng ibang relihiyon na gawa ng tao dahil ito lang ang sistemang pananampalataya na base sa grasya at gawain ng Panginoong Diyos, at hindi sa gawa ng tao. Dahil dito, hindi maaaring ipag-halo ang paraan ng kaligtasan na ipinagkaloob ng Diyos sa mga paraan ng makataong relihiyon na gawa lamang ng tao. Sa pamamagitan ng pagsagot ng ating Panginoon sa isang tanong tungkol sa pag-aayuno, inilahad Niya ang katotohanan na sa Kanya ang luma ay lipas na, at ang bago ay narito na.

### ANG TANONG MULA SA MAKATAONG RELIHIYON NA GAWA NG TAO

- Ang pinanggalingan ng tanong ay kumakapit pa sa relihiyong makatao (Luke 5:33a)
- Ang paghahambing sa mga tagasunod na ng Tagapagligtas (Luke 5:33b)

### ANG SAGOT MULA SA MAKALANGIT NA TAGAPAGLIGTAS NA MULA SA DIYOS

- Ang kagalakan na dala ng pagdating ng Tagapagligtas (Luke 5:34)
- Ang katotohanan ng darating na pagsasakripisyo ng Mesias (Luke 5:35)

### ANG LUMA AY LIPAS NA. ANG BAGO AY NARITO NA!

- Ang panlabas na bunga ng tunay na kaligtasan ay iba sa panlabas na anyo ng makataong relihiyon (Luke 5:36)
- Ang panloob na Espiritu ng tunay na pananampalataya ay mas makapangyarihan kaysa hungkag na diwa ng makataong relihiyon (Luke 5:37-39)

Ang sabi sa 2 Corinthians 5:17, "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come." Kayo ba ay nasa Panginoong Hesus na? O umaasa pa rin kayo sa panlabas na anyo, o hungkag na diwa ng makataong relihiyon na hindi nakapagligtas? Huwag nang mag atubili pa. Lumapit na kay Hesus at tanggapin ang kaligtasan at bagong buhay na alok Niya! ■

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# The Shepherd's Voice

By Pastor Larry Pabiona, Senior Pastor

## SEE YOU AT NEXT WEEK'S ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

God's faithfulness has carried us through these years until our 46<sup>TH</sup> Anniversary. This year's theme is "**Build Up and Reach Out Together,**" which is a clever way of saying this is Part 2 of last year's theme. This time, however, we have an intentional emphasis on doing things *together*: across generations and genders, across ministries and families, and prayerfully, across the entire congregation (both members and leaders). The Worship Services are on February 10 (Sat) at 5:30 PM and February 11 (Sun) at 10:30 AM and 5:30 PM. Following our Christmas practice, the Worship Services will be more participative, with the congregation doing more than sitting and watching. But I will keep you in suspense, so it is best to be on-site this weekend instead. **Advanced Happy Anniversary, GCF!**

## NEW WORSHIP SERVICE STARTING FEBRUARY 18!

Right after the Anniversary weekend, we will resume the only Worship Service that we have not brought back after lockdown: the **8:00 AM Worship Service** every Sunday. This means we must move the start of the 10:00 AM Service to **10:30 AM**. We pray that the early birds of GCF attend the 8:00 AM Worship, with the added prayer that they sacrificially and joyfully vacate the parking slots in and around GCF right after the Service.

## WHAT IS THE ADVANTAGE OF ATTENDING THE 5:30 PM SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE?

Top of mind, here are just five out of many:

1. You can rest on Sunday mornings, especially if you worked till Saturday (or are exhausted for other good reasons).
2. There are more seats to choose from.
3. Easier parking.
4. Get to meet and know new friends, or see friends you haven't seen for some time.
5. You get all the feedback (and stories) I got from the earlier services (without my betraying confidence, of course).

I hope to see you at the 5:30 PM Worship! ■



## Worship Through Giving

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

**Account Name: Greenhills Christian Fellowship, Inc.**

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# come WORSHIP GOD 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

6:30 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  
Live at GCF Chapel

## ON-SITE FELLOWSHIP

### FRIDAYS

7:00 PM

Young Adults (YA) Fridays  
Open to 20–40 year olds  
Fellowship Hall

## GROWTH GROUPS

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

SIGN-UP AT [gcf.org.ph/growth-groups](http://gcf.org.ph/growth-groups)

## TRUTHS ABOUT LIFE & DEATH

### 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 your 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.

“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

RESUMING

**FEB  
3**

### YouthLIVE Worship

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

### KidsLIFE Sunday School

(except Special Sundays)  
Sundays • 10:00 AM

- **Little Ones I (ages 1.5–3)**  
Toddlers' Room, Ground Floor
- **Little Ones II (ages 4–5)**  
4th Floor, GCF Ortigas
- **Growing Kids (ages 6–13)**  
4th Floor, GCF Ortigas

## CARELINK CLASSES (Open to all)

STARTING

**FEB  
11**

### HOW TO GROW CLASS (7 sessions)

A discipleship series that will help  
build a good foundation in one's  
Christian life  
Sundays, 12:00–2:00 PM  
Room A303

Register via [gcf.link/HowToGrow](https://gcf.link/HowToGrow)

*\*Feb 11 session is from 11:30 AM–1:30 PM*

STARTING

**FEB  
18**

### MEMBERSHIP CLASS (4 sessions)

Learn more about how to become  
a member of GCF  
Sundays, 12:00–2:00 PM  
Room A306

Register via [gcf.link/Membership](https://gcf.link/Membership)

STARTING

**FEB  
18**

### SPIRITUAL GIFTS CLASS (1 session)

Discover your spiritual gifts and  
how you can serve in church  
Sundays, 12:00–3:00 PM  
Room A307

Register via [gcf.link/SpiritualGifts](https://gcf.link/SpiritualGifts)

## GCF'S 46TH ANNIVERSARY

### Selah: Prayer and Fasting Week 2024

February 5–9 (Mon–Fri)  
Prayer Nights at 8:00 PM  
Live at GCF Ortigas and on Zoom

### Anniversary Worship Services

February 10 (Sat) - 5:30 PM  
February 11 (Sun) - 10:00 AM and 5:30 PM  
Live at GCF Ortigas and online  
*\*No 3:00 PM Service on Feb 11*

### In-House Medical and Dental Mission for GCFers

February 11 (Sun) – 12:00 NN–6:00 PM  
February 12 (Mon) – 8:00 AM–2:00 PM  
Fellowship Hall, GCF Ortigas

**FEB 24**

**MAR 9**

**APR 13**

### BIBLICAL PORTRAIT OF MARRIAGE I

A Three-Session Series for Couples  
Saturday, 9:00 AM–3:00 PM  
On-site at GCF Ortigas

Register via [gcf.link/BPOM](https://gcf.link/BPOM)

## 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**

## ARE YOU HERE FOR THE FIRST TIME?

We would love to connect with you after every  
Worship Service. Our pastors and team are  
excited to meet you!

Drop by Room BM07 at the Mezzanine Floor or  
reach out to us at [gcf.link/GCFWelcome](https://gcf.link/GCFWelcome)

## 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