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> TAKE HOLD OF WHAT GOD HAS GIVEN

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TODAY'S MESSAGE

Moving Forward Together

JOSHUA 1:10-18

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Call to Worship Worship Through Praise Baptism Community Prayer Worship Through Fellowship Worship Through Giving Scripture Reading Worship in the Word Benediction

WORSHIP SERVICES

ENGLISH Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM Speaker: Pastor Mike King Li

Sunday: 5:30 PM Speaker: Pastor Larry Pabiona

FILIPINO Sunday: 3:00 PM Speaker: Pastor BJ Sebastian

TRADITIONAL

Saturday: 5:30 PM Speaker: Pastor Larry Pabiona

TERRETUSH MESSAGE

SERMON SERIES

Joshua: Take Hold of What God Has Given

Moving Forward Together

JOSHUA 1:10-18



SPEAKER Pastor Larry Pabiona GCF Senior Pastor



As a faith community called the church, we fall or rise together. When we are united about obeying God's Word, the Holy Spirit will use that to bind us together. That's how we move forward, build up, and reach out together. When a beloved leader of God's people is gone, how do they move forward to receive what God has given? How does a faith community move forward from where it used to be?

1. GOD APPOINTS THE RIGHT LEADERS FOR HIS PEOPLE: LET'S DISCERN THEM. (Joshua 1:10-11)

- God starts with His Word, which He entrusts to a servant, who must work with officers God put over His people. God's people then carry out His will in their lives. Because everything rises and falls on leadership, today we must discern God's servants and choose wisely (Psalm 78:72).
- Israel's ownership of the land is unconditional, but Israel's possessing it is conditional. The Promised Land is a picture of our Christian walk. In Christ, we have everything needed for a victorious Christian life. But gaining and experiencing our spiritual blessings (Ephesians 1:3) are attained through the power of the Holy Spirit in a Christian committed to God's Word (Joshua 1:8).

2. GOD DESIRES THE UNITY OF HIS PEOPLE: LET'S MOVE FORWARD TOGETHER. (Joshua 1:12–15)

- The tribes East of Jordan (Numbers 32:1-2, 5) honored their promise to help the rest of Israel but would cause problems in Joshua 22. Whatever keeps God's people apart, no matter how seemingly justifiable, will always cause problems (Hebrews 10:25).
- Possessing the land was equal to receiving rest (Joshua 1:13, 15). The rest into which Joshua led Israel symbolizes the final and perfect rest into which Jesus leads His faithful church (Hebrews 4:1-11).
- The tribes East of Jordan remind us of Christians who won't move forward in their Christian walk together with the rest of God's people.

3. GOD EXPECTS LOYALTY FROM HIS PEOPLE: LET'S OBEY HIS WILL UNCONDITIONALLY. (Joshua 1:16–18)

- Commitment to a godly leader ("Only may the LORD your God be with you"), not blind obedience, is what our passage teaches. But no servant of God can lead successfully and no faith community will ever progress if they don't all align with God's will. We owe unconditional obedience to God's Word.
- Surprisingly, the people tell their leader, "Only be strong and courageous"? Is it possible Joshua ended so well because God's people knew the value of their encouragement?

FINAL THOUGHTS

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IFILIPIIRO MESSAGE



Joshua: Take Hold of What God Has Given

Pagsulong Na Magkasama

JOSHUA 1:10–18



SPEAKER Pastor BJ Sebastian Head of

Disciple-Making Ministries

Bilang isang komunidad ng pananampalataya, tayo ay susulong lamang kung magkasama. Kapag tayo ay nagkakaisa sa ating pagsunod sa Salita ng Diyos, gagamitin ito ng Diwang Banal upang bigkisin tayo ng magkasama. Ganyan tayo susulong upang itaguyod ang isa't isa, at abutin ang iba na sama-sama. Kapag pumanaw na ang isang minamahal na pinuno ng mga hinirang ng Diyos, paano sila susulong upang tanggapin ang ipinagkaloob na sa kanila ng Panginoon? Paano susulong ang isang komunidad ng pananampalataya mula sa kanilang kinalalagyan?

- 1. HINIHIRANG NG DIYOS ANG MGA NARARAPAT NA PINUNO PARA SA KANYANG BAYAN: KILALANIN NATIN KUNG SINO SILA. (Joshua 1:10–11)
 - Nag-uumpisa ang Diyos sa Kanyang Salita, na Kanyang pinagkakatiwala sa Kanyang lingkod, na kailangan makisama sa mga opisyal na hinirang ng Diyos para sa Kanyang bayan, na gagawin ang Kanyang kalooban para sa kanilang buhay. Dahil ang lahat ay nakasalalay sa pamumuno, kailangan nating kilalanin ang mga tunay na lingkod ng Panginoon (Psalm 78:72).
 - Ang pag-aari ng Israel ng kanilang lupain ay "unconditional," ngunit ang kanilang pag-angkin nito ay "conditional." Ang Lupang Pangako ay larawan ng buhay Kristiyano. Kay Kristo, nasa atin na ang lahat para sa matagumpay na buhay, ngunit ang paglasap ng mga espirituwal na pagpapala na ito (Ephesians 1:3) ay matatamo lang sa kapangyarihan ng Espiritu Santo sa isang Kristiyanong nakatalagang sumunod sa Salita ng Diyos (Joshua 1:8).

2. NINANAIS NG DIYOS ANG PAGKAKAISA NG KANYANG BAYAN: TAYO'Y SUMULONG NANG MAGKASAMA (Joshua 1:12–15)

- Ginalang ng mga tribo sa East Jordan (Numbers 32:1-2, 5) ang kanilang pangako na tulungan ang lahat ng Israel, ngunit ito ay magiging problema sa Joshua 22. Kung ano man ang naghihiwalay sa bayan ng Diyos, kahit na mabuti pa siya, ito ay laging magiging problema (Hebrews 10:25).
- Ang pag-angkin ng lupa ay katumbas ng pagtanggap ng kapahingahan (Joshua 1:13, 15). Ang kapahingahan na ito na pinangunahan ni Joshua ang Israel na pasukin, ay simbolo ng ganap na kapahingahan ni Kristo para sa Kanyang iglesya (Hebrews 4:1-11).
- Ang mga tribo ng East Jordan ay isang paalala sa atin ng mga Kristiyano na ayaw sumulong sa kanilang buhay Kristiyano kasama ng kanilang mga kapatid sa Panginoon.

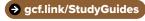
3. INAASAHAN NG DIYOS ANG PAGTATAPAT NG KANYANG BAYAN: TAYO'Y SUMUNOD SA KANYANG KALOOBAN NA WALANG PASUBALI (Joshua 1:16–18)

- "Only may the LORD your God be with you." Ang pagtatalaga sa isang maka-Diyos na pinuno, hindi ang bulag na pagsunod, ang tinuturo ng ating teksto. Ngunit walang lingkod ng Diyos ang maaaring manguna nang matagumpay, at walang komunidad ng pananampalataya ang maaaring umunlad, kung sila ay hindi naka hanay sa kalooban ng Diyos. Utang natin sa Diyos ang walang pasubali na pagsunod sa Kanyang Salita.
- "Only be strong and courageous"! Di kaya nagtagumpay si Joshua dahil sa paghihikayat na ito ng kanyang mga pinamunuan?

HAMON

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THE SHEPHERD'S VOICE



Pastor MigsOrleans Worship Ministry Group Director

Join me in thanking the Lord for our fellow church family members who led us in community worship during the Anniversary Weekend!

The nearly invisible members of the Production Team who carry out their roles and responsibilities privately. Without them, all those in front will never really receive the proper support and assistance from the simplest to the most complex.

Each ministry servant in the frontline:

• The kids and parents of Praise Factory who serve as a testament that children are a heritage from the Lord and that we should let them come to Him.

• The dancers of Crewcified who embrace teaching worship through Street Dance and Hip-Hop. Such a style and genre is a gift from the Lord, and we have a privileged responsibility to steward both within this local body.

• The talented musicians in the Band and String Team whose final output is only a percentage of their countless practices.

• All the singers – those holding mics, those behind Choir mics, those singing with choreography, etc. Your intentional decision to stand in front, to be seen in the process, and to assume the posture of pointing people to Christ is forever difficult.

All representatives of the various ministries outside of the Worship Group who we tapped to stand for a few minutes in each Service to simply pray. It was truly an impactful manner of exemplifying what it means to really pray for the church. To all whose Baptism and Testimonies we witnessed on this Special Weekend, thank you for loving the Lord and His church. Appreciating the Communications Team, as well, for all the hard work that had to be put in before each actual Service.

We can neither add nor subtract to God's glory, but in our brokenness we can come to Him in worship. Sulitin natin. Sambahin natin ang Diyos.

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

WORSHIP SERVICES

SUNDAYS

WEDNESDAYS

6:30 PM -

8:00 AM • English 10:30 AM • English 3:00 PM • Filipino 5:30 PM • English

Ortigas Community Worship (for Ortigas residents and employees)

SATURDAYS 5:30 PM • Traditional Worship

PRAYER GATHERING

THURSDAYS

8:00 PM

GCF Family's Hour of Prayer Via Zoom Meeting ID: 848 3227 7763 Passcode: 984990

(Traditional and 8:00 AM

Services are live on-site only)

BIBLE STUDY

SUNDAYS 9:30 AM Sunday Bible School Live at GCF Chapel

KIDS, YOUTH, AND YOUNG ADULTS

SUNDAYS 10:30 AM

SATURDAYS 4:00 PM

FRIDAYS 7:00 PM

KidsLIFE Sunday School For ages 1.5 to 13, 4th Floor

YouthLIVE Worship For highschool and college, Auditorium A

Young Adults (YA) Fellowship 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

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 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.

66 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."

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CHURCH UPDATES and UPCOMING EVENTS

KidsLIFE Sunday School (Except Special Sundays)

SUN

10:30 AM • Open for all kids!

- 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

LIKE JESUS Youth Discipleship Class

SUN

Open to all youth who want to grow and learn to be like Jesus 9:30 AM • Room B124 (near the Chapel)

CARELINK Discipleship Classes

SUN

How To Grow Class

Build a good foundation in your Christian life 12:00–2:00 PM • Room A303 Batch 1: Mar 10, 17, 24 Batch 2: Jun 9, 16, 23, 30; Jul 7, 14, 21 Register via **gcf.link/HowToGrow**

Membership Class

Learn the importance of being a member of a local church 12:00–2:00 PM • Room B302-B303 Batch 1: Mar 10 Batch 2: Jun 30; Jul 7, 14, 21 Register via **gcf.link/Membership**

Spiritual Gifts Class

Discover your spiritual gifts and how you can serve (One session only) Mar 17, 24; Jul 28 12:00–3:00 PM • Fellowship Hall Register via **gcf.link/SpiritualGifts**

Building Bridges: Fostering Strong Relationships with In-Laws

SAT

March 23 • 8:30 AM – 12:00 NN Fellowship Hall, GCF Ortigas Register via **gcf.link/BuildingBridges**

Heart in Art

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An exhibit for the benefit of Mercy Ministry and Operation Compassion March 16 to 31 3rd Level Veranda, Robinsons Galleria

HOLY WEEK 2024



Good Friday Service: Seven Last Words March 29 • 5:00 PM Live on-site and online

Resurrection Sunday Services March 31 • 10:30 AM and 5:30 PM Live on-site and online

*No Traditional Service on March 30 (Sat) and No 3:00 PM Service on March 31 (Sun).

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**



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

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