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Joshua



TAKE HOLD OF
WHAT GOD HAS GIVEN



TODAY'S MESSAGE

Caleb— A Model for Every Generation

JOSHUA 14:6–15

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, 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

SERMON SERIES

Joshua: Take Hold of What God Has Given

Caleb— A Model for Every Generation

JOSHUA 14:6–15



SPEAKER

**Pastor
Larry Pabiona**
GCF Senior Pastor

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"But my servant Caleb, because he has a different spirit and has followed me fully, I will bring into the land into which he went, and his descendants shall possess it" (Numbers 14:24). Is your spirit positively different and fully committed to God?

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God selected Joshua to succeed Moses (Joshua 1:2) even though Caleb was just as faithful. However, the acid test of Christian character is when you have to operate behind the scenes while someone else is in the limelight. Caleb was courageous, faithful, and supportive. The secret of his success was that "he wholly followed the Lord." He is a great model for us, whatever generation you belong to:

A MODEL OF COURAGE

- In Numbers 13:30, we find Caleb taking a stand and doing the talking. Joshua agreed but was silent. It took courage for Caleb to stand against a whole nation, but God honored him for it.

A MODEL OF FAITH

- Caleb weathered 38 years in the wilderness because while his body was in the desert, his heart was in the Promised Land. God promised him an inheritance, and he believed (Romans 4:20–21). We have much more in Christ than Caleb (Colossians 3:1–4, Romans 8:6).
- Caleb drives it home five times (Joshua 14:6–12): his request is for what God had promised. True faith pleads God's promises and anchors itself upon God's Word. There is no other foundation for faith.

A MODEL OF FAITHFULNESS

- The secret of Caleb's life is repeated six times in the Bible: Caleb wholly followed the LORD (Joshua 14:8, 9, 14; Numbers 14:24, 32:12; Deuteronomy 1:36).
- How long can we wait for God's promises? Can we wait through disappointments and times of wandering? Can we trust God to keep His promise as He did to Caleb?

A MODEL OF MINISTRY

- For many, to age is to retire. For Caleb, to age was to take on another giant task with God. This is only possible when God gives supernatural strength (Isaiah 40:31). Don't let old age make us complainers when we should be conquerors like Caleb.
- Caleb's strength was his willingness to play second fiddle to Joshua. He served Joshua cooperatively, not competitively. Similarly, Jesus humbled Himself by adding human flesh to play "second fiddle" in salvation history (Philippians 2:5–7).

Final Thoughts

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What God Has Given

Ang Buong-pusong Pagsunod ni Caleb sa Panginoon

JOSHUA 14:6–15; 15:13–19



SPEAKER

**Pastor
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Head of
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Maraming pagsubok sa buhay Kristiyano. Katulad ni Caleb tumindig tayo sa tiyak na pangakong kaligtasan ng Diyos, tanganan natin ang Kanyang mga pagpapala sa kasalukuyan, at talunin natin ang mga hamon na hinaharap. Tapat ang Diyos sa nananalig sa Kanya (Romans 8:37–39).

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Alalahanin natin ang ilang mahalagang aral mula sa matagumpay na pananakop ng Israel: 1) Ang Diyos ay tapat sa Kanyang mga pangako; 2) Ang Diyos ay tapat sa Kanyang pakikipaglaban; at 3) Ang Diyos ay tapat sa ating pananampalataya at pagsunod sa Kanya. Sa araw na ito, makikita naman natin ang buong-puso at tapat na pananampalataya at pagsunod ng isang ulirang mandirigma na si Caleb. Makikita natin ito sa kanyang pagtindig ng isang pangako sa nakaraan, pagtangan sa mga pagpapala sa kasalukuyan, at pagsalubong sa mga hamon ng hinaharap.

1. PAGTINDIG NG ISANG PANGAKO SA NAKARAAN, Joshua 14:6-9 — “what the LORD said...”

- Bukod-tanging naging matapang si Caleb noong pinadala siya na mag-espiya sa lupang pangako. (Numbers 13:3, 6, 8)
- Sila lang ni Joshua ang naghikayat sa lahat na magpatuloy dahil sa kanilang pananalig sa Diyos. (Numbers 13:30; 14:6–8)
- Dahil dito pinangakuan siya ng Diyos ng kanyang mana sa lupang pangako, dahil “he has wholly followed the LORD”. (Joshua 14:8, 9; Deuteronomy 1:36; Numbers 14:24, 30)

2. PAGTANGAN SA MGA PAGPAPALA SA KASALUKUYAN, Joshua 14:10-15 — “And now, behold...”

- Tapat na pinanghawakan ni Caleb ang pangako ng Diyos, sa loob ng 45 na taon.
- Biniyayaan siya ng mahabang buhay at bukod-tanging lakas at pananampalataya — “wholly followed the LORD the God of Israel”. (Joshua 14:14; Numbers 14:24, 32:12; Deuteronomy 1:36)

3. PAGTALO SA MGA HAMON NG HINAHARAP, Joshua 15:13-19 — “And Caleb dove out...”

- Sa kanyang katandaan, nagpatuloy si Caleb sa misyon ng Diyos na alisin ang mga bayang hinatulan na ng Diyos — lalo na ang mga kinataktan ng iba noon na mga Anakim na natira pa pagkatapos lipulin ang iba. (Numbers 13:28–29; Joshua 11:21–22; 15:14)
- Dahil dito nahikayat din niya ang susunod na henerasyon na angkinin din ang pinangako na sa kanila ng Panginoon. (Joshua 15:16–19)
- Ang tapang ni Caleb ay nakasandig sa kanyang pananampalataya sa Diyos at ito ay nagresulta sa kanyang patuloy na tagumpay (1 John 5:4; 1 Peter 1:3–5). Dapat natin siya tularan.

Maraming pagsubok sa buhay Kristiyano. Katulad ni Caleb tumindig tayo sa tiyak na pangakong kaligtasan ng Diyos, tanganan natin ang Kanyang mga pagpapala sa kasalukuyan, at talunin natin ang mga hamon na hinaharap. Tapat ang Diyos sa nananalig sa Kanya (Romans 8:37–39). ■

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THE SHEPHERD'S VOICE



By
**Pastor
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JULY 15–20: DAILY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Please continue to pray for "SCUBA", this year's Daily Vacation Bible School. We are thankful for the servant leadership of Teacher Angel Santos, our Children's Ministry Head, and this year's DVBS Team. We are thankful for the participation of over a hundred children, and the support of their parents who have chosen to be part of this full week of fun and learning!

JULY 21: MID-YEAR FAMILY CONFERENCE

Calling all affirmed members! On July 21, join us for a Mid-Year Family Conference in Auditorium B. This will be held after the 10:30 AM Service, and we will immediately begin registration once the Benediction has been pronounced that Sunday morning.

As affirmed members of GCF Ortigas, we hope and pray to come together to praise, pray, and participate in the Lord's continuous sovereign work through His various ministries in His local church. May we continue to count our blessings as we steward them through this mid-year gathering of, again, all affirmed members.

JULY 26–28: YOUTH LEADERS RETREAT

Please also continue to pray for the upcoming Youth Leaders Retreat on the final weekend of July. Led by Pastor BJ and Dra. Bebet Sebastian, a group of former and current Youth L.I.V.E. servant leaders will spend time learning "True Worship", as they focus on fellowshiping and immersing themselves in God's Word.

JULY 29: MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR PASTOR EUGENE GEANGA

As a church family, join us for a Memorial Service to remember the life well-lived by our beloved Pastor Eugene Geanga. Pastor Eugene, "P. Euge" as he was fondly called or "Pajo" especially to his loved ones, went Home to be with the Lord after battling COVID in 2021. We are thankful for this God-given opportunity to also see the Geanga family face-to-face, through this Memorial Service lovingly led by P. Euge's wife, Osie. Let us come together on July 29, 7:00 PM in Auditorium A. ■

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WORSHIP SERVICES Live at GCF Ortigas & online

SUNDAYS

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

WEDNESDAYS

5:30 PM -
Ortigas Community Outreach

SATURDAYS

5:30 PM - Traditional Worship (Traditional and 8:00 AM
Services are live on-site only)

PRAYER GATHERING

THURSDAYS

8:00 PM

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

BIBLE STUDY

SUNDAYS

9:30 AM

Sunday Bible School
Live at GCF Chapel

KIDS, YOUTH, AND YOUNG ADULTS

SUNDAYS

8:00 AM
10:30 AM

KidsLIFE Discipleship
For ages 1.5 to 12, 4th Floor
KidsLIFE Sunday School
For ages 1.5 to 13, 4th Floor

SATURDAYS

4:00 PM

YouthLIVE Worship
For highschool and college,
Auditorium A

FRIDAYS

7:00 PM

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 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.”*



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CHURCH UPDATES and UPCOMING EVENTS

CARELINK DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES (Open to all)

SUN

➔ Spiritual Gifts Class

Discover your spiritual gifts and how you can serve

July 28 • 12:00–2:00 PM • Room B302

Register for free via gcf.link/SpiritualGifts

SHE Ministry Fellowship: The Mind Engaged

SAT

July 20 • 1:00 - 4:00 PM

Youth Center, 6th Floor, GCF Ortigas

Speaker: Betty Trono

Open to all single women

Register for free via gcf.link/SHeregister

SHAKING HANDS Forum Series

SAT

August 10 • 9:00 AM – 12:00 NN

Fellowship Hall, GCF Ortigas

Topic: Living, Discerning, Facing Up With and

Embracing Your Upward Call in Christ

Register for free via gcf.link/ShakingHands

Benguet Medical Mission Trip

FRI–MON

August 2 – 5

Pray for the volunteer team and pray that hearts would be open to the Gospel

Biblical Portrait of Marriage 2

SAT

For married and engaged couples

August 10, September 14

9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Room BM07-08, GCF Ortigas

Topics: Sex, Romance, Communication, and Loyalty

Register for free via gcf.link/RegisterBPOM

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)

KidsLIFE Discipleship (Except Special Sundays)

SUN

8:00 AM • 4th Floor, GCF Ortigas

➔ Little Ones (ages 1.5–5)

➔ L.I.F.E. Discipleship (ages 6–12)

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

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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!

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