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

The Majesty of God in the Valley of Failure

Luke 9:37-43a

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After a mountain-top worship experience where the inner core of Jesus sees His heavenly glory, they join the other disciples who experience a very public failure, and show us that when we forget from Whom we draw our power, He lets us see the end of ours:

[v. 37] THE DESCENT: The Valley is where the need is waiting.

- They come down from the mountain and immediately face a tormented boy, a powerful spiritual enemy, and their own inability.
- It is a picture of the Christian life. We worship Jesus on the mountain, but we serve Him in the valley.

[vv. 38–41] THE DISASTER: The Valley is where our faithlessness leads to failure.

- A father's desperate cry and Jesus' holy frustration.
 - Do not confuse Christian activity with spiritual power (Luke 9:40).
 - Human inability exposes the problem of unbelief (Luke 9:41; Mark 9:24).

[vv. 42–43] THE DELIVERER: The Valley is where we see the Sufficiency of Jesus.

- Jesus is sufficient when His servants are not. He is the One to whom desperate people must come. Because when human strength comes to an end, the power of Christ has not even begun to fail.
- There was another Father who also had an only Son. This Father also handed over His only Son. But this time, the Son was not delivered back, so that spiritually helpless people could be brought home to the Father (Isaiah 53:3–6).

Final Thoughts

Luke 9:43 says that after this, “*all were astonished at the majesty of God.*” The majesty of God is not less real, but *more real* in your suffering, because that is where Jesus shows up. Not just in the glowing moments, but in the broken ones. Not just when we have it all together, but when we have fallen apart.

Come to Him. Jesus is in the valley. And He is enough. ■



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Communion Series on Luke: God the Son, Son of Man

Ang Makapangyarihang Malasakit ng Anak ng Diyos

Luke 9:37–43a

Noong nakaraan nating pag-aaral, nakita natin na itinaguyod ng Diyos Ama si Kristo Hesus sa bundok ng Kanyang pagbabagong-anyo (Luke 9:28-36). Makikita naman natin ngayon ang makapangyarihang malasakit ng ating Panginoon para sa mga tunay na nangangailangan, at ito ay patunay na Siya ay kamangha-mangha at dapat sambahin.

1. ANG MALASAKIT NG ATING TAGAPAGLIGTAS (Luke 9:37)

- Mula sa makalangit na engkwentro Niya sa bundok (Luke 9:29-31, 34–35), bumaba ang ating Panginoon upang tulongan ang mga nangangailangan.
- Paalala ito na ang ating pagsamba sa Kanya ay dapat nakikita sa ating malasakit sa iba (James 1:27; 1 Timothy 6:17).
- Misyon ito ng ating Tagapaglitas—hanapin at iligtas ang mga naliligaw (Ezekiel 34:11,16; Luke 19:10).
- Paalala rin ito ng ating dakilang komisyon (Mark 16:15; Matthew 28:19–20).

2. ANG MALASAKIT NG ISANG AMA PARA SA KANYANG ANAK (Luke 9:38–41)

- Desperadong nagmakaawa ang isang ama para sa kanyang kaisha-isang anak (Luke 7:12; 8:42) na sinaniban ng masamang espiritu (Matthew 17:15; Mark 9:17-18,21–22).
- Paalala ito na dapat natin ilapit lagi ang ating mga anak sa Panginoon para sila ay maligtas (Deuteronomy 6:6; Matthew 19:14).
- Dismayado Siya sa mga disipulo na nabigong palayasin ang demonyong sumanib sa bata dahil sa mahinang pananampalataya (Deuteronomy 32:20; Matthew 17:19–20; Mark 9:28–29).
- Paalala ito na likas na marupok ang pananampalataya ng tao, at ang tunay na kapangyarihan at ang nakaliligtas na pananampalataya ay nagmumula sa Diyos lamang (Mark 9:23–24; 1 Corinthians 1:26-29; Ephesians 2:8–10).

3. ANG MAKAPANGYARIHANG MALASAKIT NG PANGINOON (vv. 42–43)

- Ang mga masamang espiritu ay may limitadong kapangyarihan na pahirapan ang mga sinasaniban nito (Matthew 8:28; Mark 5:3; Acts 19:13-16; Ephesians 6:11–12).
- Gayunpaman ang Panginoon ang pinakamakapangyarihan sa lahat at walang laban sa Kanya ang masasamang espiritu (1 John 4:4; Luke 4:35; 8:28–29).
- Ang kapangyarihan Niya ay ginagamit Niya upang ibigay ang pangangailangan ng lumalapit sa Kanya – “and gave him back to his father” (Luke 7:15; Hebrews 11:35).
- Gayundin ang kapangyarihan na ito ay nagreresulta sa luwalhati ng Diyos (Luke 5:24-26; 7:15–16).

May ilang mahalagang aral para sa atin mula sa salaysay na ito.

- Bale wala ang ating pagkakilala sa Diyos at pananambahan sa Kanya kung hindi tayo hahayo upang maging kasangkapan ng Kanyang kaligtasan.
- Ang kapangyarihang nagliligtas at tumatalo sa kasamaan ay nagmumula lamang sa Kanya, kaya Siya lang ang dapat tumanggap ng ating walang hanggang pagsamba at pagpupuri.



WORSHIP WITH US AT GCF ORTIGAS

SUNDAYS

8:00 AM English
10:30 AM English
Auditorium B

3:00 PM Filipino
5:30 PM English
Auditorium A

SATURDAYS

5:30 PM Traditional
Auditorium B

WEDNESDAYS

6:30 PM
Ortigas Community Worship
GCF Chapel, Ground Floor

■ Livestream is available during the 10:30 AM and 3:00 PM Sunday Services. The recording of the Traditional Service will be streamed on Sundays at 5:30 PM.

KIDS on SUNDAYS

8:00 AM, Kids L.I.F.E. Sunday School
3:00 PM, Ages 2–6 • Toddler's Center
5:30 PM Ages 7–12 • 4th Floor

10:30 AM Ages 2–3 • Toddler's Center
Ages 4–12 • 4th Floor

All ages 13 and above, worship with your parents at the Auditorium

YOUTH on SATURDAYS

4:00 PM Youth L.I.V.E. Discipleship Gathering
For ages 13 to 20 • Fellowship Hall

YOUNG ADULTS on FRIDAYS

7:00 PM YA Fridays
For ages 20s to 40s • Fellowship Hall

BIBLE STUDY on SUNDAYS

9:30 AM Sunday Bible School (SBS)
Open to all • GCF Chapel

9:30 AM "Like Jesus" Youth Bible Study
For all high school students • Room B406

9:30 AM Men's Growth Group Express
Open to all men • Room A109

PRAYER HOUR on THURSDAYS

8:00 PM GCF Family's Hour of Prayer
Open to all • Online via Zoom
Zoom link: bit.ly/GCFHourOfPrayer
Meeting ID: 848 3227 7763 • Passcode: 984990

OUTREACH on WEDNESDAYS

5:30 PM Ortigas Community Outreach
Open to all • Fellowship Hall

TRUTHS ABOUT LIFE & DEATH

Share this with your friends and family who need to know Christ!

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."

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AT GCF ORTIGAS

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.

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

DO YOU NEED SOMEONE TO TALK TO?

If you need Biblical counseling, we are here to help. Call the GCF ERCC Hotline at 0917 532 7794.

Missions Prayer Time

Every Sunday
starting
September 6

9:30–10:30 AM
Library (Room BM01), Mezzanine Floor
Open to all, no registration required

Nominations Open for Church Elders and Deacons

Deadline:
September 13
(Sunday)

Before you nominate, learn what these offices actually are. Elders and deacons are biblical offices, given by God to care for and build up the church. Visit election.gcf.org.ph

SHE Quarterly Fellowship: Living for What Lasts

September 19
(Saturday)

2:00–4:00 PM
Youth Center, 6th Floor
Open to all single women
Pre-register via gcf.link/SHEFellowship

Women's Monthly Bible Studies

September 19
(Saturday)

Naomi Women (for widows)
9:00 AM – 12:00 NN
Fellowship Hall, Ground Floor
Pre-register via gcf.link/Naomi

September 19
(Saturday)

SupaMoms (for single moms)
1:00–4:00 PM
Room BM02-BM03, Mezzanine Floor
Pre-register via gcf.link/SupaMoms

Spiritual Gifts Class

September 20
(Sunday)

12:00 NN – 3:00 PM
Room B302, 3rd Floor
Register now via gcf.link/SpiritualGifts

Hello, Thailand

September 26
(Saturday)

2:00 PM – 5:00 PM
Room BM07, Mezzanine Floor
Open to all
Register now via gcf.link/HelloThailand

Shaking Hands with Spiritual Development Through Life

October 3
(Saturday)

9:00 AM – 12:00 NN
Fellowship Hall, Ground Floor
Open to all
Register now via gcf.link/ShakingHands

REGISTER NOW! INVITE YOUR OIKOS!

GCF Women's Conference 2026: One Thing

October 10
(Saturday)

9:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Auditorium B, 2nd Floor
Speaker:
Cathy Tan, Business as Mission Philippines
Open to all women
Invite your friends and family
Register for free via gcf.link/WomensCon

GCF Men's Conference 2026: Confronting a Corrupt Culture - Standing with God When the World Walks Away

October 10
(Saturday)

9:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Auditorium A, Mezzanine Floor
Speaker:
Richard Tan, Business as Mission Philippines
Open to all men
Invite your friends and family
Register for free via gcf.link/MensCon

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Praise God for the GCF Lawyers Fellowship

Last Sunday, August 30, from 12:00 NN to 5:00 PM, the GCF Lawyers' Fellowship partnered again with the IBP Rizal-RSM Chapter for an afternoon of free legal consultations for the worshipers of Greenhills Christian Fellowship. The team served a total of 23 clients. Praise God for the GCF Lawyers Fellowship and IBP Rizal for giving their time and expertise to the community.

How to use the "Truths about Life and Death" for sharing your faith

This was meant to serve as a witnessing tool for those who want something handy, which is why it is consistently included in our Bulletin. It was also deliberately written to be adaptable to your preferred way of sharing the Gospel, e.g., using your personal testimony as an introduction.

The first thing we emphasize is: **The Character of God.** God is holy, pure, and just. He rightfully and righteously judges and punishes all sin. Included under it are some of the clearest Bible verses about this (you can add more).

This is then contrasted with the reality it creates: **The Crisis We Face.** We all have failed God's standard and face God's righteous judgment. Nobody meets the standard of God, which is sinless perfection and absolute holiness. Because of this, we all face the eternal wrath and judgment of God. The verses supplied clearly show this.

But God, in His mercy and grace, has given us a way out of our dilemma. God has appointed Jesus, and Him alone, as the only Messiah, the only Savior by whom we can be forgiven and reconciled with God. This is where we talk about: **The Call of Jesus.** Jesus calls us to come to Him in this famous invitation: "*Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.*" (Matthew 11:28-30).

Finally, a suggested prayer is given. A prayer per se saves no one, but by the heart attitude that accompanies it: repentance (admission of sin and helplessness without God), and faith (trusting in Christ and His dying on the cross for us). ■

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