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

Handed Over: The Glory of the Cross

Luke 9:43–45

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Order of Worship

- Call to Worship
- Worship Through Praise
- Worship Through Fellowship
- Worship Through Giving
- Scripture Reading
- Worship in the Word
- Confession Prayer
- Communion
- Benediction

ENGLISH SERMON OUTLINE

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

Handed Over: The Glory of the Cross

Luke 9:43–45

After He wows the crowd as a miracle-maker, Jesus privately gives His disciples a prediction that distresses them. Instead of affirming their expectations, He shatters them.

The Danger of Superficial Awe: The Peril of being Dazzled but not Discipled (v. 43)

- "*While all were astonished... while all were marveling... Jesus said to His disciples...*" The contrast is intentional. The One who knows *all* hearts knew the crowd was impressed by the spectacle but wasn't ready to hear Him (John 2:23–25).
- Jesus refused to ride the wave of popularity. He knew that astonishment ≠ faith. Accolades and amazement do not necessarily translate into genuine allegiance.

The Delivery of our Deliverer: The Necessity of the Cross

- (v. 44a) The warning was an act of mercy. He told them in advance so that when Calvary comes, and their world collapses, His words will stand. When Jesus speaks, listen even before you understand.
- (v. 44b) Jesus was delivered (lit. *handed over*) by Divine Design (Romans 8:32). This handing over is the guarantee of every other grace. He was delivered into the hands of men, so that we could be delivered into the hands of the Father (Isaiah 53:6).

The Divine Concealment: A Veil God Lifts in His Time (v. 45)

- The veil of the uncomprehending heart: Some truths can only be processed after the resurrection. The cross before Easter looked like defeat, but after Easter, it was clearly the power and wisdom of God (Luke 24:44-45). When God's plan is hidden, trust His character. "*When you can't trace His hand, trust His heart.*"
- The peril of unasked questions: The disciples' paradigm of a political Messiah was so ingrained that a suffering Messiah was incomprehensible. They were afraid to ask Jesus, maybe because they feared He actually meant it.

Final Thoughts

The cross was never a tragedy that heaven failed to prevent, but a rescue heaven accomplished. It is finished!

Let these words sink into your ears. Look at the Cross. See God the Son, handed over for you. Let it break your heart, let it shatter your expectations, and let it remake your life. ■

Sermon Notes

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FILIPINO SERMON OUTLINE

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

Pagkamangha at Pagkatakot

Luke 9:43–45

Pagkatapos Niyang ipakita sa Kanyang mga alagad ang Kanyang kaluwalhatian (Luke 9:28–29), at sa mga tao ang Kanyang kapangyarihan (Luke 9:42), nagpahayag Siya ng Kanyang nakatakdang pagsasakripisyo, na siyang ikinaligalig ng Kanyang mga disipulo.

1. ANG PAGKAMANGHA NG LAHAT SA MGA GAWA NI HESUS, Luke 9:43

- Ang lahat ay namangha sa mga gawa ni Hesus: sa Kanyang pagtuturo (Matthew 7:28; Mark 1:22; Luke 4:32); sa Kanyang mga himala (Matthew 13:54; Mark 7:37). Lalo na sigurong umasa ang lahat sa paglaya na kanilang inaasahan mula kay Hesus. Ito ang nasa likod ng kanilang pagkamangha, hindi tunay na pananampalataya (John 2:23–25).
- Ngunit hindi Siya nagkatawang-tao upang kamanghaan lang ng mga tao, o palayain lang sila sa pagkaapi. Ang layunin Niya ay maging pamalit na sakripisyo para maligtas ang lahat ng mananampalataya sa Kanya (1 John 2:2; 4:10; Romans 3:25).
- Ito ang dahilan kung bakit nagpahayag Siya ng isang pagtutuwid...

2. ANG PAHAYAG NG PAGDURUSA NG PANGINOON, Luke 9:44

- Mariin ang Kanyang pangungusap sa Kanyang mga alagad dahil hindi nila matanggap ang kamakailan lang Niyang sinabi sa kanila (Luke 9:22). Mahirap talagang tanggapin na ang “Son of Man” ay magdurusa sa kamay ng mga tao.
- Ngunit ito ang plano ng Diyos noon pa man (Isaiah 53:10–12), at Kanyang ipinatupad ito sa pamamagitan ng mga hindi maka-Diyos na mga pinunong relihiyoso, mga Romano at pati na rin ang bayang Israel (Acts 2:23; 4:27–28).
- Ito ang tanging lunas ng Diyos sa suliranin ng kasalanan.

3. ANG PAGKALITO AT PAGKATAKOT NG KANYANG MGA DISIPULO, Luke 9:45

- Hindi nila maunawaan ang isang kabalintunaan—na ang Mesias ng Diyos ay hindi magwawagi laban sa Roma, dahil alam nila mula sa Lumang Tipan na ang “Son of Man” ay maghahari sa buong mundo magpakailanman (Daniel 7:13-14; Romans 8:32).
- Hindi rin nila maunawaan ito dahil “it was concealed from them” (Luke 18:34). Hindi pa napapanahon ang paglantad ni Hesus ng plano ng Diyos para sa kaligtasan ng mga makasalanan (John 7:30; 8:20).
- Ang mga plano at kalooban ng Diyos ay higit na mataas kaysa sa kaisipan nating mga tao (Isaiah 55:8-9; Romans 11:33). Nakatuon ang ating paningin sa mga kamangha-mangha, ngunit Siya ay nakatuon sa nakaliligtas. Nakatuon ang ating pagnanasa sa panandaliang paglaya sa pag-uusig at paghihirap, ngunit ang Kanyang kalooban ay para sa buhay na walang hanggan ng lahat ng mga mananampalataya sa Kanya.

Tumingin tayo sa krus ng ating Tagapagligtas, mga kapatid! Ang krus na tunay na kamangha-mangha. ■

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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, 3:00 PM, 5:30 PM — **Kids L.I.F.E. Sunday School**
Ages 2–6 • Toddler's Center
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

PRAYER HOUR on SUNDAYS

9:30 AM — **Missions Prayer Time**
Open to all • Mezzanine Library (Room BM01)

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 101

October 4 to November 22 (8 Sundays)

9:30 AM – 11:45 AM
Room A107a-A107b, Open to all
Register now via **gcf.link/Missions101**

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**

In Her Defense: GCF Legal Conference 2026

October 17 (Saturday)

9:00 AM – 12:00 NN
Fellowship Hall, Ground Floor
Open to all who want to know more about women's rights and those that are in need of legal aid
For Registration and Event Details, visit **gcf.link/LegalCon**

Live Within His Means: GCF Financial Stewardship Conference 2026

November 14 (Saturday)

9:00 AM – 12:00 NN
Auditorium B, 2nd Floor
Guest Speaker: Dr. Andrew Liuson
Panelists: Pastor BJ Sebastian and Atty. Idge Dizon
Open to all
Register for free via **gcf.link/FinCon**

YouthLIVE College Retreat 2026: No Doubt

November 28–30 (Saturday to Monday)

CCT Tagaytay
Php 3,500 / person
Registration and Payment Info, visit **gcf.link/College2026**

THE SHEPHERD'S VOICE



Dr. Larry Pabiona
Senior Pastor

MINOR ADJUSTMENT IN WORSHIP SCHEDULES STARTING NOVEMBER 7–8

Starting the weekend of November 7-8, 2026, we will make the following adjustments in Worship Service schedules. We are announcing these over a month in advance for your information:

	New Schedule	Old Schedule
Saturday Traditional Worship	5:00 PM	5:30 PM
Sunday Filipino Worship	2:30 PM	3:00 PM
Sunday Sunset Worship	5:00 PM	5:30 PM

FREE LEGAL AID ON OCTOBER 17

The upcoming Legal Conference, "In Her Defense," organized by the GCF Lawyers Fellowship, will focus on women's rights. This will be on October 17, from 9:00 AM to 12:00 NN at the Fellowship Hall. This is open to all GCFers, and attendees can avail of a free 1-on-1 consultation with our Christian lawyers covering legal rights of women and children after annulment, legal separation, or divorce; Labor issues; and related topics. Don't miss this double treat from our Christian lawyers!

RECOMMENDED PREACHERS ONLINE (*alphabetical order*)

As requested by some, here is an updated list of good expositors whose preaching you can access online for free:

- Voddie Baucham
- Joel Beeke
- Alistair Begg
- Matt Chandler
- H.B. Charles
- Mark Dever
- Kevin DeYoung
- Ligon Duncan
- Sinclair Ferguson
- David Jeremiah
- John MacArthur
- Albert Mohler
- John Piper
- David Platt

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