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

## The Greatest Among Us

Luke 9:46–48

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# The Greatest Among Us

## Luke 9:46–48

Jesus had just mentioned His death again (Luke 9:22, 44), but the disciples were arguing about personal status. Jesus was focused on the cross, but they were jockeying for position on what they thought would be His earthly kingdom. Jesus exposed their attitudes and taught them the “upside-down” values of God’s kingdom.

### THE DANGER: Seeking greatness for ourselves (v. 46):

- Self-promotion is idolatry. The greatest obstacle to greatness in God’s eyes is our desire to make ourselves great (James 3:16).
- The Twelve had their Christology right and their hearts wrong. A church can be doctrinally flawless and still be plagued by competition and rivalry.

### THE DEMONSTRATION: A child by His side (v. 47–48a)

- Jesus replaced the issue of “Who has the highest rank?” with “Who do you receive?” When a believer receives the lowly, he receives Jesus and the Father (Matthew 25:35–45).
- Welcome those whom the world overlooks. We show that we know what matters to Christ by how we treat those who can’t do anything for us.

### THE DECLARATION: True greatness is Christlike humility (v. 48b)

- Redefine greatness based on Christ’s standard: the one who takes the lowest place is great, as Jesus Himself demonstrated (Luke 22:27).
- The moment you stop craving for applause or recognition, you free yourself up to genuinely love people. There is no better motive to serve! (1 Corinthians 13:1–3)

### Final Thoughts

As with us, the lesson needed to be repeated (Luke 22:24) on the night He was betrayed. His crucifixion that followed showed them how much the Son of God was willing to humble Himself for us. His resurrection reminded them that whoever humbles himself will be exalted by God Himself. They eventually got it. By the grace of God, may we also do. ■



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

# Ang Sikreto ng Pagiging Dakila

Luke 9:46–48

Hindi na nahiya ang mga alagad ni Hesus nang kanilang pagtalunan kung sino sa kanila ang magiging pinaka-dakila pagkatapos ihayag ni Hesus ang Kanyang nalalapit na kamatayan (Luke 9:22, 44). Huwag tayong maghusga kaagad sa kanila sapagkat ang diwang makasarili ay nasa ugat ng makasalanang kalikasan ng lahat ng tao (1 John 2:16). Natural sa lahat ng tao ang pagnanasang maging dakila. Ibinunyag ni Hesus ang makasariling ugali ng Kanyang mga alagad bago Niya inumpisahan ang pagtuturo sa kanila kung ano ba talaga ang sikreto ng pagiging dakila.

## 1. ANG PAGPAPAHALAGA SA SARILI AY BALAKID SA PAGIGING TUNAY NA DAKILA (Luke 9:46).

- Nagiging sanhi ito ng pagtatalo at di-pagkakaisa – “An argument arose” (Matthew 20:21, 24; Mark 10:37, 41).
- Nagiging balakid ito sa tunay na pagmamahal sa Diyos (1 John 2:15–16).
- Naglalayo ito sa atin sa pagkakaroon ng makalangit na karunungan na siyang pundasyon ng tunay na kadakilaan (James 3:13–18).

## 2. ANG PAGPAPARANGAL NI HESUS SA ISANG BATA AY PAGPULA NIYA SA PAGMAMALAKI NG MGA ALAGAD NIYA (Luke 9:47–48a).

- Alam ni Hesus ang pagmamalaki na nasa puso't isipan ng Kanyang mga disipulo (Mark 9:33-34; Luke 9:49, 53-54).
- Ang pinarangalan ni Hesus ay isang batang musmos – “Whoever receives this child in my name receives me” (Matthew 18:2; Mark 9:36).
- Ang nagpapakumbaba at tumatanggap sa mga aba ang siyang tatanggap at magpapasailalim sa Ama – “whoever receives me receives him who sent me” (Matthew 25:40).

## 3. ANG PAGPAPAKUMBABA AT PAGLILINGKOD SA KAPWA ANG TUNAY NA DAKILA SA MATA NI KRISTO (Luke 9:48b).

- Ang “maliit” sa mata ng sanlibutan ay “malaki” sa mata ng Panginoon – “he who is least among you all is the one who is great” (Mark 10:42-45; 1 Corinthians 1:27–29).
- Ang pagtalikod natin sa pagiging dakila sa mata ng sanlibutan ay ang umpisa ng tunay na pagmamahal sa ating kapwa (1 Corinthians 13:1–3).

Kailangan natin matutunan muli ang Kanyang ipinakitang aral noong gabi na Siya ay ipinagkanulo (Luke 22:19–27; John 13:3-5, 12–15). Ang Kanyang pagsakripisyo ng Kanyang buhay sa kinabukasan ang naging dahilan ng Kanyang kaluwalhatian sa kataas-taasan (Philippians 2:6-11). Sa huli, natutunan din ng mga apostol ang aral na ito. Sana matutunan din natin na mga tagasunod Niya. ■



# 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](https://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](https://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.

### How To Grow Portal

Jumpstart your Christian journey through personal mentoring and community learning by discovering the basics of discipleship and how you can disciple others! Visit [carelink.gcf.org.ph](https://carelink.gcf.org.ph) now!

### Join a StartUp Growth Group

Signing up for a Growth Group is now easier than ever! Visit [gcf.org.ph/growth-groups](https://gcf.org.ph/growth-groups) now!

## 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](https://gcf.link/FinCon)

### LAST SUNDAY TO REGISTER!

## 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](https://gcf.link/College2026)

## Adjusted Afternoon Worship Service Schedule

Starting  
**November 7 and 8**  
(Sat and Sun)

**New Schedule:**  
Saturday Traditional – 5:00 PM  
Sunday Filipino – 2:30 PM  
Sunday English Sunset – 5:00 PM  
Note: Sunday Morning Worship Services  
remain at 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM

## Instrumento Tayo: Art for GoodNews' Sake 4 Fundraiser for Good News Clinic & Hospital

Open  
**November 14**  
until **December 6**

Exhibit Hours: 10:00 AM – 7:00 PM  
Fellowship Hall, Ground Floor  
For artwork donations & more info,  
contact Gino 0917 630 8896

## Women's Monthly Bible Studies

**November 21**  
(Saturday)

**SHE Brunch Fellowship**  
(for single women)  
10:30 AM – 12:00 NN  
B122, Ground Floor  
Pre-register via  
[gcf.link/SHEBrunchFellowship](https://gcf.link/SHEBrunchFellowship)

**November 21**  
(Saturday)

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

**November 21**  
(Saturday)

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

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Praise Reports

1. Last October 21–23, I had the joy of ministering to 165 pastors from across the Philippines at the 32nd CGM Pastoral Care Conference, held at the Jabez Campsite in Dasmariñas, Cavite. The Conference theme was “Pass It On,” based on 2 Timothy 2:2. Aside from preaching several times, I was also blessed to befriend many of the pastors and to pray for several who were considering quitting or leaving the ministry. I am praying that God grants them to go on in His strength, as I reminded them that His grace is sufficient for us, and His strength made perfect in our weaknesses.
2. GCF was blessed to host the “Healthy Church Conference” last October 29–30. Dr. Mark Dever of Capitol Hill Baptist Church and 9Marks Ministry spoke at several plenary sessions, and I was asked to speak at a breakout session on “How the Whole Church Speaks of Jesus,” where I used our *oikos* concept of ministry as an illustration. It was personally meaningful for me to participate because I had taken part in the 9Marks 9-day Intensive in 2024 at Capitol Hill Baptist Church, and the valuable lessons learned there have become an integral part of GCF’s ministry. *Soli Deo Gloria*.

Essential Information For Everyone

1. Starting next weekend, November 7–8, we will make the following adjustments in Worship Service schedules:

|                              | 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      |

2. Reminding you all again of these two very useful new websites:
  - a. To join a Growth Group StartUp: sign up via [gcf.org.ph/growth-groups](http://gcf.org.ph/growth-groups)
  - b. Access the new “How to Grow” online portal and start your journey: visit [carelink.gcf.org.ph](http://carelink.gcf.org.ph)

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