

JULY 2023 **GCF ORTIGAS**

THE ONE ANOTHER COMMANDS OF THE BIBLE

Let's Not Provoke and Envy One Another

GALATIANS 5:24-26

JULY 22-23, 2023

Traditional Worship Saturday 5:30 PM

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- Greenhills Christian Fellowship
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ENGLISH SERVICES SUNDAY • 10:00 AM & 5:30 PM

Call to Worship Worship Through Praise

Community Prayer

Worship Through Fellowship

Scripture Reading

Worship in the Word

Pastor Larry Pabiona

Response Song

Worship Through Giving

Benediction

FILIPINO SERVICE

SUNDAY • 3:00 PM

Tawag sa Pagsamba Pagsamba sa Pag-awit

Panalanging Pangkapulungan

Pakikipag-ugnayan Pagbasa ng Banal na Kasulatan

Pag-aaral ng Salita ng Diyos

Pastor BJ Sebastian

Tugon na Awit

Paghahandog

Basbas

English Message Outline

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"What causes quarrels and fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions." (James 4:1–3 ESV)

These words are strong but true. Many conflicts among Christians stem from greed and envy. But these are often rooted in something more insidious, something harder to weed out: pride. Do we surrender to despair because this problem is so prevalent? What does the Bible say?

WHY SHOULD WE NOT BE CONCEITED? (Galatians 5:24)

- A genuine Christian has been crucified with Christ (Galatians 2:20).
- Being crucified with Christ gives us the power to choose what is right because we are no longer slaves of sin.

HOW CAN WE STOP BEING CONCEITED? (Galatians 5:25)

- Let us "keep in step with the Spirit." This is what it means to "walk by the Spirit" (Galatians 5:16) and to "be filled with the Spirit" (Ephesians 5:18).
- Some basic things about walking in/being filled with the Spirit:
 - 1. A life lovingly consecrated to God: Romans 12:1-2
 - 2. A mind that is filled and renewed by God's Word: Colossians 3:16
 - 3. A conscience sensitive to sin and eager to be rid of it: 1 John 1:8-9
 - 4. A decision to obey: James 1:22, 25

WHAT HAPPENS TO THE CONCEITED? (Galatians 5:26)

- Conceited people provoke others—seeing others have what they don't makes them despise them. Fights soon follow.
- Conceited people envy others—they crave what others have because they think they are more deserving.

FINAL THOUGHTS

Conceit always leads to compounded misery. You will never see a happily envious person. In contrast, people who have learned to see themselves as God sees them, who keep in step with the Spirit, are always joyful because they "want what they have" (not vice versa). Anything in addition multiplies their joy. If only we can say like Paul, "I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content"! (Philippians 4:11). This comes as we realize that "My God will supply every need of yours according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:19). This leaves no room for pride and envy in our hearts.

Filipino Message Outline

THE ONE ANOTHER COMMANDS OF THE BIBLE

Huwag Nating Galitin at Kainggitan Ang Isa't-isa

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Ang mga salita na ito ay masakit ngunit totoo. Maraming mga away ng mga Kristiyano ay nagmumula sa kasakiman at inggit, at ang ugat nito ay mapanira at mahirap maalis: ang pagmamataas. Susuko na lang ba tayo dahil ang suliranin na ito ay mahirap solusyonan? Ano ba ang sinasabi ng Bibliya?

BAKIT HINDI TAYO DAPAT MAGING MAKASARILI? (Galatians 5:24)

- Ang isang tunay na Kristiyano ay ipinako na sa krus na kasama si Kristo (Galatians 2:20).
- Dahil tayo ay ipinako na sa krus na kasama ni Kristo, mayroon na tayong kapangyarihan na gawin ang tama. Hindi na tayo alipin ng kasalanan.

PAANO BA NATIN MAAALIS ANG PAGIGING MAKASARILI? (Galatians 5:25)

- Dapat tayong mag "keep in step with the Spirit." Ito ang ibig sabihin ng "walk by the Spirit" (Galatians 5:16) at ang pagiging "filled with the Spirit" (Ephesians 5:18).
- Mga ilang bagay tungkol sa paglakad sa, o pagiging puspos ng Espiritu:
 - 1. Isang buhay na nakatalaga sa Diyos: Romans 12:1-2
 - 2. Isang kaisipan na binabago ng salita ng Diyos: Colossians 3:16
 - Isang konsensya na sensitibo sa kasalanan at masugid sa pagtalikod dito:
 John 1:8–9
 - 4. Isang pagtatalaga sa pagsunod sa salita ng Diyos: James 1:22, 25

ANO BA ANG MANGYAYARI SA MAKASARILI? (Galatians 5:26)

- Nag-uudyok ng galit ang mga makasarili. Nakikita nila ang pag-aari ng iba na wala sila, at dahil dito sila ay nagiging pala-away.
- Napupuno ng inggit ang mga makasarili. Pinananabikan nila ang pag-aari ng iba dahil para sa kanila, sila ang dapat may-ari nito.

HAMON

Ang pagiging makasarili ay naghahantong lang sa kahirapan. Walang kasayahan ang taong inggitin. Ang mga taong alam ang kanilang estado sa mata ng Diyos, ang mga nabubuhay ayon sa lakad ng Espiritu, ay laging puno ng kagalakan dahil kuntento na sila. Tularan natin lahat si Paul: "I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content"! (Philippians 4:11). Tanggapin natin ang katotohanan na "My God will supply every need of yours according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:19). Ito ang mag-aalis ng galit at inggit sa ating mga buhay. ■



The Shepherd's Voice

By Teacher Angel Santos, KidsLIFE Ministry Lead

Children in Our Midst

Children are present at home, in church, school, and society. They watch what we do; they're very observant. What, then, is our role as a church?

We ought to model before them what the Bible says is right and true. As a church family, we should show them that we are involved in their lives. Let them serve and demonstrate to them how we do things together.

This was our framework in the planning, conceptualization, and execution of **STELLAR**, our DVBS this year. Praise God for one stellar-ific, galactic adventure that allowed 102 kids to enjoy and learn from God's Word after a three-year hiatus due to the pandemic.

The Bible points were timely as we connected them with issues facing families nowadays. Many could relate with the statement, "When life feels dark, shine Jesus' light!", a Bible point that they got to apply during the pandemic, in hindsight. Another Bible point that stood out was, "When people don't get along, shine Jesus' light!" – some kids shared this to their families at home and it amazed their parents.

The DVBS Team also realized that we were called by God for a specific task. We need not be perfect, we must simply obey and honor God by being a *family* to everyone, especially the kids.

Let's not forget that we have children in our midst who will one day take their place as leaders in our church and in society. Pray that these children will continue to treasure the Bible truths they learned as they shine Jesus' light at school and at home. May they see and feel that sense of belonging from us, their church family. Let us nurture them, lead them to Christ, be examples of Christ, and provide opportunities for them to grow in faith.



Worship Through Giving

If you are led to give, you may do so through the following means:

Account Name: Greenhills Christian Fellowship, Inc.

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

WORSHIP SERVICES

SUNDAYS

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

SATURDAYS

5:00 PM - YouthLIVE Worship 5:30 PM - Traditional Worship

WEDNESDAYS

7:00 PM - Ortigas Community Worship

Join us in-person at GCF Ortigas *KidsLIFE Sunday School every Sunday 10:00 AM

PRAYER GATHERING

THURSDAYS

8:00 PM

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

Passcode: 984990

BIBLE STUDY

SUNDAYS

9:00 AM

Sunday Bible School Series: Basic Doctrines Live at GCF Chapel

ON-SITE FELLOWSHIP

FRIDAYS

7:30 рм

Young Adults (YA) Fridays Open to 20-40 year olds 6th Floor, GCF Ortigas

GROWTH GROUPS

Discipleship groups for all ages, all days of the week, throughout Metro Manila and online

SIGN-UP AT acf.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 vour 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.

66 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."

Church UPDATES AND UPCOMING EVENTS

YouthLIVE and KidsLIFE

LIVEstream (YouthLIVE Worship)

Saturdays • 5:00 PM
Auditorium A, GCF Ortigas & online
Open to high school and college aged youth

All-New KidsLIFE Sunday School

(except 1st and Special Sundays) Sundays • 10:00 AM 4th Floor, GCF Ortigas

- KidsLIFE Play & Learn (ages 2–5)
 Pre-register at gcf.link/PlayNLearnReg
- KidsLIFE Worship (ages 6–12)
 Pre-register at gcf.link/KidsLIFEonsite

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FAMILY DISCIPLESHIP CONFERENCE 2023:

Parenting Today's Children 9:00 AM-4:00 PM

Auditorium B, GCF Ortigas Open to all parents (couples and single parents)

Register via gcf.link/FamDCon2023

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

ALL MEN GROWTH GROUP EXPRESS

Sundays • 9:00 AM • Room B123 Ongoing Classes:

"Being a Disciple: Counting the Real Cost" "Fatal Distractions: Conquering Destructive Temptations"

ARE YOU HERE FOR THE FIRST TIME?

We would love to connect with you after every Worship Service! Reach out to us at **gcf.link/GCFWelcome**

On-Site: Drop by BM07, Mezzanine Floor

Online via Zoom: gcf.link/WelcomeToGCF

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CHURCH FAMILY LUNCHEON By Invitation only

The invitation will be sent via email

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