



THE ART OF SURVIVAL

LAST WEEK'S MESSAGE

The biggest challenge that one might be facing right now can be anything: from a difficult situation, to a relationship issue, to a loved one who is not willing to surrender to God. During such times, it is natural to question God and wonder why such things are happening. However, it is essential to understand that God allows these challenges for several reasons such as living in a fallen world, human mistakes, spiritual opposition, our own sin, for discipline, or to prepare us for greater service or for His glory.

The reality is that trials are inevitable, and they tend to either make or break us. Many times, victims of trials get stuck in their pain and fail to move beyond asking "why." Instead of asking why, one must ask three important "what" questions. These questions will help us grow through our pain instead of being crushed by it.

WHAT CAN I CONTROL WHEN MY WORLD FALLS APART?

When the world feels like it's falling apart, it can be overwhelming to try and control everything. However, James 1:2 reminds us to consider the situation from a different perspective. He suggests that by evaluating the situation in a calculated manner, we can arrive at the conclusion that everything, including trials and difficulties, come from God and serve a purpose in our lives. We are to focus on the bigger picture and ask what God wants us to do. This requires faith, as we trust that God has a reason for allowing this to happen. When we adopt a willfully positive attitude and choose joy, gratitude, and trust, we can experience a sense of peace and purpose.

LAST WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE

Consider it all joy, my brethren, when you encounter various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance. And let endurance have its perfect result, so that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.

JAMES 1:2-4

WHAT MUST I DO TO MAKE IT THROUGH TODAY?

To make it through the trials and difficulties of life, James 2:3-4 emphasizes the importance of ENDURANCE or PERSEVERANCE. According to James, we must have the supernatural staying power to endure the challenges that come our way and continue to push forward, even when it feels like we can't. The purpose of these trials is to perfect us and make us stronger, and most importantly, to transform us into the likeness of Jesus. This transformation happens as we persevere through challenges and allow our faith to be tested and proven genuine. By persevering, we build spiritual muscles and become more resilient in our faith, allowing us to make it through each day with hope and purpose no matter what life may bring.

WHAT HOPE DO WE HAVE FOR TOMORROW?

As a believer in Jesus, it is important to remember that no matter what challenges or obstacles we may face in life, God has a plan for our good and His glory. By embracing an eternal perspective, we can have hope for tomorrow, knowing that the hardships we face today are not in vain. They serve to mature and perfect us, making us more like Jesus in character and in action. With this hope, we can persevere through even the toughest of times, choosing to glorify God and put our trust in Him rather than focusing on our own wants and needs. This hope empowers us to walk in a godly attitude, looking to God in all things, and trusting that He is working all things together for our good.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Are you going through a trial right now? Which among the three "WHAT" questions is most helpful for you?

How do you see God using your trials and adversity to mature you?

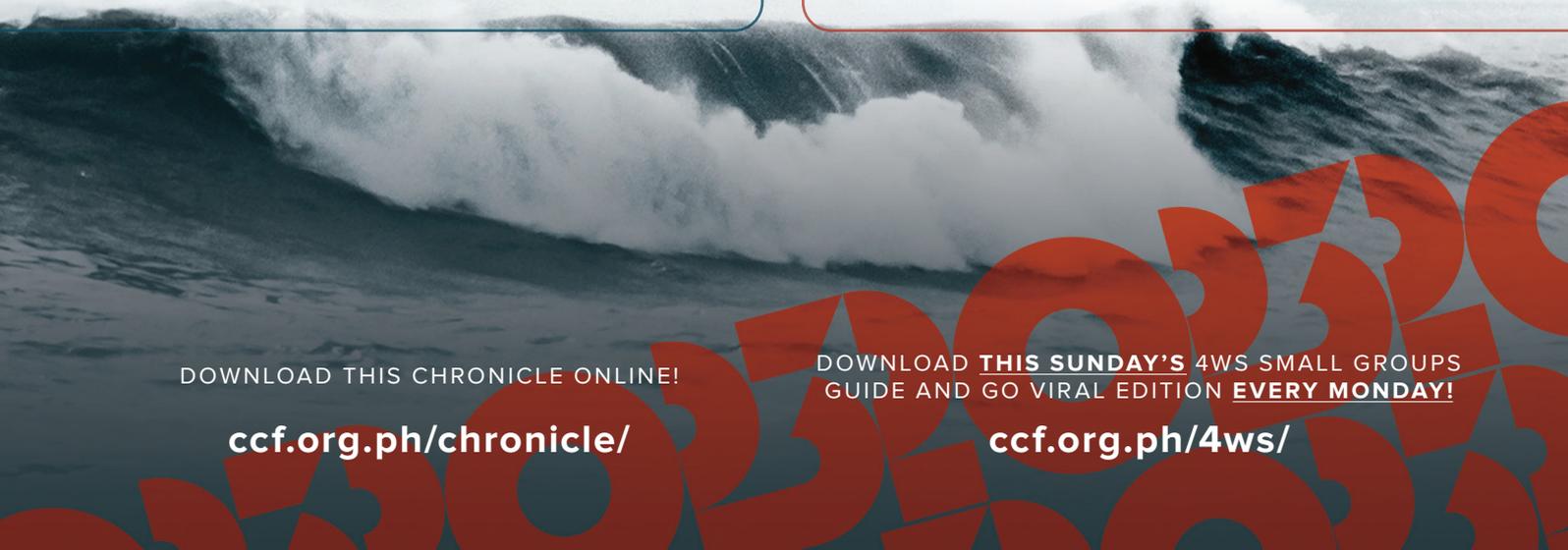
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February 11, Saturday
3:00 PM, Multi-Purpose Hall

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Session 1 starts February 12

Sundays at 1:00 PM

- Book 1: One by One, Room 2A
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starts February 15, Wednesday, 7:30 PM

- Book 1: One by One
- Book 2: Spiritual Disciplines

GLC Level 2 — Zoom Cycle

Book 7: Family Life

Session 1: God's Design for the Family

February 9, Thursday, 7:30 PM

GLC Level 3 Lead — Zoom Cycle

Module 5: Spiritual Warfare, Session 1

February 2, Thursday, 7:30 PM

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LOOKING FOR ANSWERS? THINK YOUR VISIT IS A COINCIDENCE? YOUR BEING HERE TODAY IS NO ACCIDENT!

God brought you here for His purpose.

1 God loves you.

He desires for you to have a meaningful life with Him in the present and gain eternal life with Him in the future.

*Know therefore that the Lord your God, He is God, the faithful God, who **keeps His covenant and His lovingkindness** to a thousandth generation with those who love Him and keep His commandments —Deuteronomy 7:9*

2 God is holy.

We are sinful, and our sin separates us from Him.

Everyone has sinned and is far away from God's saving presence. — Romans 3:23

3 God is merciful.

In His love, He made the only way for us to be reconciled to Him: through His son, Jesus Christ. Jesus had to die on the cross for our sins and be raised to life for eternity.

But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from the wrath of God through Him. — Romans 5:8

I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me. — John 14:6

4 God is gracious.

By placing our faith in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven of our sins and saved from eternal death.

For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life. — John 3:16

For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, so that no one may boast. — Ephesians 2:8-9

5 God keeps His promises.

You can be sure that you have eternal life when you trust in Jesus.

And the testimony is this, that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He who has the Son has the life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have the life. These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life. 1 John 5:11-13



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10:00 AM (English),
3:00 PM (Filipino)

ONLINE

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