

LAST WEEK'S MESSAGE

# SURRENDERED LEADER IS A POSITIVE INFLUENCER

Whether we like it or not, we are all influencers. The only question is: are we a positive or negative influence on others? To become a POSITIVE INFLUENCER, we need to be a SURRENDERED LEADER. We can look to the example of Moses, who submitted to God's plan, relied on His power, and sought His glory.

## GOD'S PLAN

In Acts 7:30-34, we see the well-known story of Moses and the burning bush. God often uses something eye-catching to grab our attention, just like the burning bush did for Moses. Moses was led to the wilderness where he was open and ready to listen. God took the initiative to reach out to him and reveal Himself. In encountering God, we become more aware of our own sinfulness and God's holiness. Moses feared God and realized who was in charge. God revealed that He knew about the struggles and pains of the Israelites and had a plan to deliver them, which included sending Moses back to Egypt. Exodus 3:10 highlights God's plan for Moses to set the people of Israel free. Moses made the choice to follow God, despite the cost of comfort, fear, and worry. He had an eternal perspective and chose to endure ill-treatment instead of the fleeting pleasures of sin. Following God is not martyrdom — it's wise and the logical thing to do.

## GOD'S POWER

Moses presented several excuses to God when he was tasked with leading the Israelites out of Egypt. He asked, "Who am I?" and "What is Your name?" (Exodus 3:11-15). He also expressed doubt about his abilities, saying he was slow of speech and tongue (Exodus 4:10-12). However, God encouraged him to go forth and serve, assuring him that He would provide the power. Despite Moses' doubts, God chose him to be His instrument. Similarly, Jesus promised in Acts 1:8 that the Holy Spirit would provide the power needed to fulfill His commands. We cannot do it alone, but we can partner with God's power. As Moses led the Israelites out of Egypt, they came to the Red Sea, and the Egyptians pursued them. Moses cried out to God, who commanded him to divide the sea (Exodus 14:13-16). As Moses obeyed, the sea was divided, and the Israelites crossed safely. This is a powerful reminder of God's faithfulness and His ability to do the impossible.

## SEEK GOD'S GLORY

In the time of Moses, the people were exceedingly idolatrous, and God was ready to destroy them because of their obstinacy. He offered to start over with Moses, but Moses, in Exodus 32:11-12, showed that his concern was for God's glory. He pleaded with God to spare the people, reminding Him of His promises to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. However, Moses was not perfect, and he made a mistake that caused him to lose the privilege of entering the Promised Land. In Deuteronomy 3:25-26, he pleaded with God to let him enter the land, but God refused. Moses accepted this decision and even appointed a leader, Joshua, to lead the people as per God's instruction in Numbers 27:18-20, 23. Moses' life teaches us that seeking God's glory should be the primary focus of our lives. Our concern should not be for our own comfort or success, but rather for bringing honor and glory to God in everything we do.

It's common for us to aspire and have goals, and at times we may think that God is obligated to fulfill them. However, our ambitions can easily become an idol, and the solution is to become a leader who surrenders these desires to God. When God places a dream in our hearts, we must trust that He has all of eternity to fulfill it. Even though Moses was not allowed to enter the Promised Land due to a mistake he made, we learn from Matthew 17 that he did eventually reach his destination. In fact, during the Transfiguration, Jesus showed that Moses was present on the mountain with Him.

## LAST WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE

Choosing rather to endure ill-treatment with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin, considering the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt; for he was looking to the reward.

HEBREWS 11:25-26

## DISCUSS THIS MESSAGE

What doubts do you encounter when you think of yourself as a changemaker?

Have you ever chosen your own plan, power, and glory over God? How did that decision affect you?

How can you express your faithfulness over what the Lord is asking you to do this week?

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# Want a summer to remember? **Know Jesus!**

Let's chat and pray  
at the Welcome Center.  
See you at the 2/F lobby!

## STEP INTO THE **COMMUNITY**

Fellowship and learn together with  
believers at the same lifestyle as you!

### **WOMEN2WOMEN**

ALL WOMEN

#### **She Did What?!** Women Who Made a Difference

April 13, Thursday  
10:00 AM, Multi-Purpose Hall

ALSO STREAMED ONLINE

 ccfwomen2women  
 CCFWomen2WomenMinistry

### **BIG MINISTRY**

SINGLES

#### **Special Session on Family**

April 14, Friday  
7:30 PM, Multi-Purpose Hall

ALSO STREAMED ONLINE

  B1GMinistry  
 beonewithgod

### **ELEVATE**

YOUTH

#### **Holy Week Special**

April 8, Saturday  
3:00 PM, Multi-Purpose Hall

ALSO STREAMED ONLINE

 ElevateMain  
 ElevateMainTV

### **NXTGEN**

KIDS FROM 4-12 YEARS OLD

#### **Kids' Church: The Big Adventure Games**

Sundays, 10:00 AM and 3:00 PM  
G/F North Wing, CCF Center

ALSO STREAMED LIVE ONLINE

  ccfnxtgen for ages 4-12  
 zoom for ages 7-12

## Curious about gender identity and God's original design for men and women?

*We're here to walk with you  
every step of the way.*

### **LIVING FREE MINISTRY**

Contact Rick at (0945) 815 1701  
or Marlyn at (0917) 545 9219  
for more information

## **LEARN MORE ABOUT THE FAITH**

Grow deeper in your spiritual walk and  
join Bible study classes by GLC.

### **GLC Level 2 — Zoom Cycle 1: Survey of the Bible**

Session 1: Books and Places  
of the Old Testament  
April 13, Thursday, 7:30 PM

### **Join GLC's Training Cycle 2 this May!**

Go to [bit.ly/GLCTraining2023](https://bit.ly/GLCTraining2023) to register

## **JOIN AND PARTICIPATE**

Come together with the community to learn and grow,  
or to retreat and recharge!

### **True Life: Start Anew**

A GLC EVENT, OPEN TO ALL  
April 28-29, CCF Center  
Go to [bit.ly/TrueLifeRetreat](https://bit.ly/TrueLifeRetreat) to register  
or visit the booth at the G/F lobby

### **A Beautiful Exchange**

OPEN TO ALL WOMEN 21 Y/O AND UP  
April 29 - May 1  
Mt. Makiling Re-Creation Center  
RETREAT FEE: PHP4,900  
Go to [bit.ly/ABERetreat2023](https://bit.ly/ABERetreat2023) to register

### **FTW Volleyball Clinic**

OPEN TO AGES 12-19  
April 15-16, 22-23, 29-30, and May 6-7  
CCF Center, Pasig City  
REGISTRATION FEE: PHP3,800  
Register at  [forthewinsportsacademy](https://www.facebook.com/forthewinsportsacademy)  
Contact (0917) 626 3610 for details

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*



## **JOIN US ON SUNDAYS**

**AT CCF CENTER**  
10:00 AM (English)  
3:00 PM (Filipino)

**ONLINE**  
10:00 AM, 12:00 NN, 3:00 PM, 6:00 PM  
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