

## LIVE YOUR BEST LIFE!

LAST WEEK'S MESSAGE

Have you ever thought about the kind of life God wants us to live? God wants us to have a meaningful and purposeful life full of joy and peace, and Jesus said that we could have this life "and have it abundantly" (John 10:10).

How can we be able to live this kind of life?

### SURRENDER (ROMANS 12:1)

Paul begins Romans 12:1 with an appeal to think of the mercies of God — which he described in the previous chapters of Romans — and to PRESENT our bodies as a living and holy sacrifice acceptable to God. This is an act of complete surrender to the Lord, and it is choosing to do the things that please and honor Him. In Matthew 16:24-26, Jesus tells us what surrender looks like: it is to deny ourselves, take up our cross, and follow Him. God wants our best, and the only way to give our best to Him is to die to ourselves.

Paul also calls presenting our bodies to God as a "spiritual service of worship". It is living a life that worships God daily and moment-by-moment, not just once a week, and where we give our best in all we do as unto Him — including menial work. Furthermore, a life of complete surrender is when sin is farthest from our mind.

### SEPARATE (ROMANS 12:2)

Romans 12:2 gives us a reminder NOT TO BE CONFORMED to the ways of the world. Today, Satan has captured the minds of many, and we will never learn to recognize his lies until we know and embrace the TRUTH that sets us free (John 8:32)! We cannot allow ourselves to be influenced by social media, the people we meet, and the environment we live and work in, as they often force us to fit into a mold to appear like everybody else. Instead of copying the world, we are to be set apart from it. We need to BE TRANSFORMED by God's Spirit and His word for us to experience true freedom (2 Corinthians 3:16-18). Joshua 1:8 reminds us to meditate on the Word day and night. We must allow SOUND THINKING based on God's TRUTH to permeate our minds and lives daily.

### SERVE (ROMANS 12:3-8)

Romans 12:3 urges us to think properly, neither overestimating nor underestimating ourselves, and to use our God-given gift and abilities to serve others (1 Corinthians 12:14-18, Ephesians 4:11-13, and 1 Peter 4:10-11). God designed us for different purposes, but we are all designed to ultimately serve Him. Serving the Lord and focusing on others rather than ourselves is good for us and makes us happy Christians.

Our God who bestows favor and honor would not withhold any good thing from those who trust in Him (Psalm 84:11-12). When we understand that God wants what is best for us, we will genuinely surrender our lives to Him and serve Him. We will have the confidence to go wherever He wants us to go and do whatever He wants us to do.

Live your best life in CHRIST!

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Based on the message, how do you define the best life?  
What is the difference compared to the normal life?  
What will you surrender today so that you can enjoy God's purpose and blessing for your life?  
How will you serve others and point them to Jesus this week?

### LAST WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE

And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.

ROMANS 12:2

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# COMMUNITY!

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

## Women2Women

ALL WOMEN

### NUGGETS FROM ROMANS 13

November 3, Thursday, 10:00 AM, MPH

ALSO STREAMED LIVE ONLINE

- ccfwomen2women
- CCFWomen2WomenMinistry

## B1G Ministry

SINGLES

### HEARTSTRONG DAUNTLESS: COURAGE IN THE RIGHT PLACE

November 4, Friday, 7:30 PM, MPH

ALSO STREAMED LIVE ONLINE

- B1GMinistry
- beonewithgod

## Elevate

HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE

### CLASS MEET

#### REAL PEOPLE, REAL STORIES

November 5, Saturday, 3:00 PM, MPH

ALSO STREAMED LIVE ONLINE

- ElevateMain
- ElevateMainTV

## NXTGEN

KIDS FROM 4-12 YEARS OLD

### KIDS' CHURCH THE BIG SHAKE: AN ADVENTURE THROUGH THE BOOK OF ROMANS

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

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Contact the NXTGEN team:

- ccfnxtgen

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about the faith!

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New cycle starts today, October 30!  
Sundays at 1:00 PM

- Book 1: One by One, Room 3A
- Book 3: The Holy Spirit, Room 2A
- *Book 4: CCF DNA starts November 27*

GLC Level 1 — Zoom Cycle 3  
November 2, Wednesday, 7:30 PM

- Book 1: One by One
- Book 3: The Holy Spirit
- *Book 4: CCF DNA starts November 30*

GLC Level 2 — Zoom Cycle  
Book 6: Basic Doctrines  
Session 1: God's Word — The Bible  
November 3, Thursday, 7:30 PM

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Module 2: Biblical Counseling,  
Sessions 1 and 2  
November 3, 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*



## JOIN US ON SUNDAYS

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

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