

When Life Doesn't Make Sense, Worship God!

LAST WEEK'S MESSAGE

Worship matters deeply to God because it reflects how we see Him, it impacts our present and future, and it reveals the state of our hearts. Not only it is a spiritual thermometer, revealing our desire for God, it's also a thermostat, realigning us to His presence even in life's toughest moments. But what happens when we don't feel like worshipping?

Asaph, the author of Psalm 73, wrestled with this same problem. He knew God was good (v1), but he nearly stumbled (v2) when he saw evil people prospering while the faithful ones suffered. Like many of us today, he asked God, "Why do the wicked thrive while I struggle?" This is an inner conflict that many Christians struggle with today especially when suffering strikes. Many religions offer different answers to the reason for suffering – karma, detachment, punishment, or even meaninglessness – but God offers hope. In a world broken by sin, God uses suffering redemptively. Because Jesus suffered unjustly, He knows our suffering, and one day, God will eventually remove suffering completely.

In first part of Psalm 73, Asaph honestly poured out his pain to God, but things changed in verse 17 when he entered the sanctuary. In God's presence, he gained new perspective. He saw the eternal reality: the wicked may flourish now, but their end is destruction (Psalm 73:18-22). He was also confronted with his own sinfulness, senselessness, and ignorance.

Worship brings us into the presence of God, and His presence changes everything. Like David (Psalm 27:4) and Paul (Philippians 1:21), Asaph realized that God Himself is the greatest treasure - not comfort, success, or an easy life, but God's presence, assured security, and guidance.

Asaph ends his psalm with a powerful truth. He declares, "The nearness of God is my good... I will tell of all Your works" (Psalm 73:28). So, when you feel confused, discouraged or alone, worship. We worship because it reminds us of God's truth (Psalm 16:11), because it brings rest to the weary (Matthew 11:28), because it lifts us out of our despair and into hope, and because it recalibrates our heart, minds, and actions. God sees you, walks with you, and one day, He will make all things right. The best is yet to come.

last week's memory verse

Whom do I have in heaven but You?
And with You, I desire nothing on earth.
My flesh and my heart may fail,
But God is the strength of my heart
and my portion forever.

PSALM 73:25-26

discuss this message

- What do you do when you're disappointed and don't feel like worshipping?
- How does being in the presence of God help as you deal with difficult circumstances?
- How has your perspective in life changed after hearing this message?

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Celebrating Fireproof Mothers

THE GIFT OF JOY

Get a flower from our lobby installation — our flowers are all handmade by our NXTGEN kids!

We'd like to honor you on your special day today!

THE GIFT OF PRAYER

We'd like to pray for and with you — approach any of our prayer volunteers at the lobby this Sunday.

THE GIFT OF COMMUNITY

We encourage you to join a Dgroup — scan the QR on the columns at the lobby!

Are you sure of your life choices?

Let's talk about it. See you at the Welcome Center!

step into community

Fellowship and learn together with people like you!

WOMEN2WOMEN ALL WOMEN

Radiance: Life Lived in Love

with Bea Moral

May 15, Thursday, 10:00 AM, MPH

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B1G MINISTRY SINGLES

Beyond the Brokenness: Finding God's Purpose & Blessing in Family Conflicts

Session 4: From Mess to Masterpiece

May 16, Friday, 7:30 PM, MPH

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MOVEMEN+ ALL MEN 18 Y/O AND UP

Wicked Men (How NOT to Be Like Them)

May 24, Saturday, 2:00 PM, Room 2A

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NXTGEN KIDS FROM 4-12 YEARS OLD

Here I Am: Answering God's Call in Faith

Sundays, 9:00 AM, 12:00 NN, 3:00 PM

G/F CCF Center (ages 4-12)

BIBLE LESSON PREMIERE: for ages 4-12

9:00 AM at   ccfnxtgen

ZOOM: for ages 7-12; 11:00 AM and 2:00 PM

message us on Facebook to sign-up

RESOURCES:

<https://linktr.ee/NXTGENFamilyResources>



June 5 to 7
CCF Center

PHP800 for commitment card holders

PHP1,000 for regular tickets

Get tickets at any CCF Satellite

or online at moveconference.org.ph

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Be GLC-Equipped in your Discipleship Journey!

GLC LEVEL 1 — Be a Disciple

Starting in June 2025

GLC LEVEL 2 — Be a Discipeler

Book 8: Survey of the Bible, Session 7 & 8

ONSITE: May 11, Sunday, 1:00 PM, Room 3A

ZOOM: May 15, Thursday, 7:30 PM

GLC LEVEL 3 — Be a Multiplier

Starting in June 2025

Can't attend GLC F2F or GLC Zoom?

Use the E-Learning format
or do GLC in your DGroups!

Power-Up: What If You're Stuck? (Breaking the Monotony in Small Groups)

May 11 and 18, Sundays

11:00 AM and 2:00 PM, 2/F Annex Bldg.

True Life Retreat: BElieve

May 23 & 24, Friday & Saturday

8:00 AM, CCF Center

REGISTRATION FEE: PHP1,200

(inclusive of materials, T-shirt, and lunch)

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EVENTS: linktr.ee/ccfglc

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No better way to serve God than to serve His people!

Is God calling you to serve?

Volunteer with us!



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VolunteerSignUp](https://go.ccf.org.ph/VolunteerSignUp)

or scan the QR code

YOU BEING HERE IS NO ACCIDENT!

God brought you here
for His purpose.

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*

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*

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*

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*

Would you like to place your faith in Jesus
Christ today?

Lord Jesus, I need You. I confess that I
am a sinner. I believe that You died on
the cross to pay for all my sins. With Your
help, I will turn away from my sins. Please
come into my life and be my Savior and
my Master. I accept Your gift of eternal
life. Make me the kind of new person You
want me to be. Thank You for giving me
eternal life. Amen.

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*



Services at the CCF Center

Saturdays

4:00 PM

6:30 PM

Sundays

9:00 AM, 12:00 NN

3:00 PM, 6:00 PM

Sunday Livestreams

 ccf.org.ph  ccfmain  ccfmainTV

9:00 AM, 12:00 NN, 3:00 PM, 6:00 PM

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