

### **EMPOWERED TO PERSEVERE**

It's a common misconception that we will no longer encounter suffering once we surrender our lives to Jesus. Yet the Bible is full of examples of great men who struggled and could have given up. Moses, Noah, and Jeremiah each came near to experiencing hopelessness, waiting for decades to see the fruit of their labor. But despite how long it took to see fruit, they endured and followed God's commands. It isn't that we no longer experience sorrow — it's that we don't endure our pain alone! God is with us and empowers us to persevere! Let's learn more through the story of Jeremiah.

#### ANCHORED IN GOD'S PURPOSE

Often, when life becomes too overwhelming or our plans start going wrong, we forget to ground ourselves in the truth. When we're not anchored in God's purpose, it becomes easy to fall into despair. Jeremiah experienced painful rejection and isolation, but he persevered because he knew who he was and what his God-given purpose was. As God's children, our identity and purpose are found and anchored in Him.

#### ASSURED BY HIS PRESENCE

Pain has a way of isolating us. Our loneliness can make it seem as if we're

fighting our battles alone. But in these moments, God calls us to remember His presence. Fearful that he was too young to be used by God, Jeremiah tried to avoid God's call. In response, God assured Jeremiah that He would empower him (Jeremiah 1:9). Pursuing God's call can be lonely and come at a cost, but no one understands us better than God. Even when our hearts are heavy, we can be assured by God's presence. Through Him we have everything that we need to persevere.

#### ANTICIPATING GOD'S PROMISES

When you're starting to feel weary, we can find motivation to keep going by anticipating God's promises! For 40 years Jeremiah told the people of Judah to repent, and yet the warnings fell on deaf ears. What kept Jeremiah going despite the discouragement? God promised to be with him and deliver him (Jeremiah 1:19)! In the decades Jeremiah found himself beaten, imprisoned, and rejected, he still remembered God's promise of deliverance, and that hope empowered him. When we know God's love and promises and when we walk with Him intimately, He strengthens us to persevere despite our pain, challenges, or setbacks!



They will fight against you, but they will not overcome you, for I am with you to deliver you," declares the Lord.

JEREMIAH 1:19

### this message

- In what area of your life do you need to persevere today?
- · Which point or points (Anchored, Assured, Anticipating) resonates most with your current situation, and what is God asking you to apply?

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**SATURDAYS** 

5:00 рм

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

SUNDAY LIVESTREAMS

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## Take heart, Jesus is the Light in the darkness.

Allow us to listen and pray for you at the Welcome Center!

## STEP INTO THE COMMUNITY

Fellowship and learn together with people like you!

WELCOME WEDNESDAYS
OPEN TO ALL

Sessions resume next year!

WOMEN 2 WOMEN ALL WOMEN

A WOMAN'S FORUM

Restoring Generations: Closing the Gap Between Mothers and Daughters
October 30, Thursday, 10:00 AM, MPH

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CCFWomen2WomenMinistry

B1G MINISTRY SINGLES

No B1G Fridays this week. See you on November 14!

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MOVEMEN+ ALL MEN 18 Y/O AND UP

Alpha Male: Learning the Ropes of How to Become a Man of God

November 8, Saturday, 2:00 PM
Register at *go.ccf.org.ph/movingmentochrist*CONNECT WITH THEM ONLINE

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FRIDAY OUTREACH

Get trained in evangelism and bring the gospel to the streets!

Saturdays, 3:00 PM, Room 3A CONNECT WITH THEM ONLINE

FridayOutreach.Philippines

NXTGEN KIDS FROM 4-12 YEARS OLD

**Power Up** 

Sundays, 9:00 AM, 12:00 NN, 3:00 PM G/F CCF Center (ages 4-12)

**RESOURCES:** 

https://linktr.ee/NXTGENFamilyResources

## LEARN ABOUT OUR FAITH

Lead to Multiply
GLC3 LEAD

BOOK 10: Reliability of the Bible:

**External and Internal Evidence** 

with Ptr. Jim Whelchel

October 30, Thursday, 7:00 PM, MPH

#### Can't attend GLC F2F or GLC Zoom?

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

#### **True Life Retreat: BElieve**

November 7 and 8, Friday and Saturday 8:00 AM, MPH

**REGISTRATION FEE: PHP1,300** 

REGISTER HERE: bit.ly/BElieveTLR2025Reg

#### **GLC Graduation 2025**

Burning Bush: God's Presence, God's Calling November 22, Saturday, 1:00 PM, MPH Individuals who have completed any level of the GLC program may apply. APPLY NOW: <u>bit.ly/GLC2025GRAD</u>

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Email them along with your name at 
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Note: Emails without <u>full name</u> shall not be entertained.

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 <u>keeps</u> <u>His covenant and His lovingkindness</u> 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 u 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

# We are willing to listen and improve!