

# REAL FAITH WORKS

Have you ever wondered if your faith is real? Sometimes, we treat our relationship with God like a checklist – attend church, pray multiple times a day, but the Apostle Paul reminds us to examine our lives to determine the authenticity of our faith (2 Corinthians 13:5). In the book of James, we learn that real faith is seen in action! Faith is alive when it leads us to live a life that loves, serves, and obeys God.

## ACTION NOT JUST WORDS

Talk is easy, but James reminds us that real faith is revealed through the way we live. For example, when we see someone in need, how do we respond? Prayer is powerful, but our words can be empty when we know we have the capacity to help. God's greatest commandment is to love others, and the true test of our Christianity is putting that love into action just as Jesus did. While our actions or "good works" don't save us, the absence of them reveals a faith that is dead (James 2:14).

## SURRENDERS NOT JUST KNOWS

Real faith isn't just knowing about God; it's also surrendering to God. Faith isn't just about growing in knowledge, it also means applying that knowledge through a daily surrender to Christ. James emphasizes that knowledge

alone is not enough. Without action, we are no different from demons who know about God but refuse to follow Him (James 2:19-20). Genuine faith is seen by how we surrender to Jesus in keeping His commands. If we claim otherwise, we are liars (1 John 2:4), and our faith is worthless (Titus 1:16).

## OBEYS NOT JUST BELIEVES

Real faith doesn't stop at our belief but matures through our obedience. For example, Abraham wasn't made righteous by his works; it was by grace that he trusted and obeyed God (Romans 4:4-5). Because of his faith and willingness to obey God's instruction, Abraham was declared righteous. Real faith is not about perfection, but about progressive growth through daily obedience (James 2:24). In our own spiritual journeys, may we grow in intimacy with God, trusting in His character and promises to fuel our daily surrender and obedience to His word.

### last week's memory verse

For just as the body without the spirit is dead, so also faith without works is dead.

JAMES 2:26

### discuss this message

- Why is faith considered "dead" if it has no works?
- In what ways apart from "knowing" or "talking" do we prove our faith is real?
- What areas of your life is God using to build your faith right now?

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### SERVICES AT THE CCF CENTER

#### SATURDAYS      SUNDAYS

5:00 PM

9:00 AM, 12:00 NN

3:00 PM, 6:00 PM

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# Do you think our nation is broken and needs healing?

Let's talk about it at the Welcome Center.

## step into the COMMUNITY

Fellowship and learn together with people like you!

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### A Clean Heart in a Corrupt World

with Joyce Pring-Triviño  
February 26, Thursday, 10:00 AM, MPH

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### Before You Fall

Session 2: Before You Choose Someone:  
Discerning What Really Matters

February 20, Friday, 7:30 PM, MPH  
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NXTGEN KIDS FROM 4-12 YEARS OLD

### Faith in Action

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

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## We are willing to listen and improve!

## learn more ABOUT OUR FAITH

### GLC classes resume on March 8!

Be rooted in God's Word and continue your discipleship journey.

### Want to start GLC training right away? Choose what works for you:

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or do GLC in your DGroups:  
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If you have any questions,  
the GLC booth is open on Sundays!

### Other Events

WANT TO KNOW WHAT THE  
BEST DECISION IS?  
WITH PTR. PETER TAN-CHI

*Find out the one decision that  
has an eternal impact.*

February 18, Wednesday, 7:00 PM, MPH

EVANGELIFESTYLE

WITH PTR. RICKY SARTHOU AND PTR. ALVIN LAGAMON

*Be equipped to share your faith.*

February 25, Wednesday, 7:30 PM

### GLC PREMIERE

*Be Where You Can Be Equipped. Join us as we begin a new season of learning and discipleship.*

March 1, Sunday, 2/F Annex Building

### WELCOME WEDNESDAYS

*Your weekly Bible study community is here!*

Launching March 4, Wednesday  
7:30 PM, MPH

### FOLLOW US

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If you have any concerns and feedback, our pastors are willing to listen. Email them along with your name at [osp@ccf.org.ph](mailto:osp@ccf.org.ph) — Pastor Peter Tan-Chi [oep@ccf.org.ph](mailto:oep@ccf.org.ph) — Pastor Ricky Sarthou

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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*