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# VOICE OF THE VISION



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UCF Associate Pastor

Let us  
embody  
Christ in our  
lives that we  
may extend His love  
and goodness to others.

## Know Jesus—Be like Him

### John 1:1-3, 14 (NKJV)

<sup>1</sup>In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup>He was in the beginning with God. <sup>3</sup>All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made.

<sup>14</sup>And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

### Introduction

The measure or level of our faith is "directly proportional" to our knowledge about the Lord Jesus Christ. The more we know Him, the higher is our faith in Him. The deeper we know Him, the deeper is our love for Him. It is essential that we know Jesus Christ very well, because it will lead us to worship Him and obey Him. Every Christian should know three (3) significant things about our Lord Jesus Christ; His deity (being God); His humanity (being a true man) and His character (for us to follow).

### I. Christ's Deity

**a. Christ was the coming Messiah, through a virgin birth, that is, God was coming to live with men.**

#### Isaiah 7:14

Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel.

### Matthew 1:23

"Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel," which is translated, "God with us."

### b. Jesus came from "everlasting".

#### Micah 5:2

"But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, Though you are little among the thousands of Judah, Yet out of you shall come forth to Me The One to be Ruler in Israel, Whose goings forth are from of old, From everlasting."

Jesus was the Messiah and eternal God.

### c. Jesus Christ has divine Names.

#### Isaiah 9:6-7

"For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. <sup>7</sup>Of the increase of His government and peace There will be no end, Upon the throne of David and over His kingdom, To order it and establish it with judgment and justice From that time forward, even forever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this.

His Names:

- Wonderful - Only God is truly wonderful.
- Counselor - God as counselor is

perfect.

- The Mighty God - The Messiah was God Himself.

- The Everlasting Father - John 10:30. Christ and the Father are one.

- The Prince of Peace

### d. Jesus forgave sins.

#### Mark 2:5

When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven you."

#### Mark 2:7

"Why does this Man speak blasphemies like this? Who can forgive sins but God alone?"

### e. Jesus has attributes like:

Omnipresence - Matthew 18:20

Omniscience - all-knowing

Omnipotent - all powerful

### f. Jesus has creative power.

#### John 1:1-3

<sup>1</sup>In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup>He was in the beginning with God. <sup>3</sup>All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made.

### g. Jesus Christ was worshipped.

#### John 9:38

Then he said, "Lord, I believe!" And he worshipped Him.

### Luke 4:8

And Jesus answered and said to him, "Get behind Me, Satan! For it is written, 'You shall worship the Lord your God, and Him only you shall serve.'"

### h. Jesus Christ was resurrected.

#### Romans 1:4

And declared to be the Son of God with power according to the Spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead.

### i. Jesus was acknowledged by Thomas to be his Lord and God.

#### John 20:28

And Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord and my God!"

### II. Humanity of Christ

Jesus was a true man in every aspect like us, but He is sinless. His virgin birth was necessary to be a Saviour.

#### 1 Timothy 2:5

For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus.

### a. Jesus Christ has human ancestors.

#### Luke 2:7

And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling cloths, and laid Him in a [a]manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

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# UCA goes above and beyond

United Christian Academy (UCA) has been providing high quality education for over 25 years ago. The school went to various accreditation, certification, and other evaluations to prove its attainment of the vision and mission and the authenticity of the school's operation.

These past few months, UCA had been preparing for another recertification program, from the required documents up to the live video interview. UCA has undergone the FAPE Recertification Activity, with School Head Rev. Dr. James Sy as focal person last October 12, Tuesday—a whole day of interview and assessment. But since the interview finished smoothly and quickly beyond the school's expectation, it occupied only half of the day.

A series of interview for different groups of the faculty, staff, and students were conducted by FAPE evaluators and assessors.

The conference began with an interview attended by ESC voucher recipients and other chosen representatives of the school. It was followed by a conference with the Junior High School teachers who were also asked about their ways of teaching, assessment, and methods. Moreover, the evaluators also asked how UCA Online was able to finish all its video lessons, how it started, and how it was like in the beginning.

Aside from that, School Head Rev. Dr. Sy and Assistant Principal Mrs. Angelica Oafallas had a separate one-on-one interview with the FAPE evaluators. Other department heads were also interviewed with only a few questions because the evaluators said that the documents sufficed all their questions, and they were satisfied already.

The evaluation which was expected to be serious and long turned the other way around. With this, the school knew that the Lord has given another favor in this recertification. The evaluation results will come out after three (3) months. By faith in God, the school and all its workers believe for another Above Standard ratings.

Rev. Dr. James Sy to the evaluators:

*The teachers' greatest award is to bring a child to Jesus Christ. We focus not on monetary awards but on recognition of their loyalty and services through the years.*

All the faculty and staff of the school were interviewed by the FAPE evaluators through Zoom regarding their modes of teaching, the journey in developing UCA Online, and other relevant details about the school.



## We are blessed to be in UCA!



**Samantha B. Iniego**  
Grade 6 Adviser

*For almost three (3) years of being with UCA, I'm really amazed at how God moves in this school and in my life personally. UCA taught me life-long lessons not just professionally but to be more than just a teacher.*

**Rev. Ryan Christian C. Tabay**  
Grade 12 Teacher

*UCA gave me opportunities in career development and professional growth through continuous education (masteral degree) and by discovering my potential as an educator.*



**Lara Minerva V. Rebullar**  
Grade 7 Adviser

*It has been eight (8) years, when the Lord gave me this opportunity to be a part of the family of UCA. They even helped me with my studies, finishing my bachelor's degree to be able to teach and to be part of the growing ministry of the Lord through UCA.*

**Adrian Klein P. Laurel**  
Grade 9 Adviser

*I am blessed to be part of UCA because I am able to share the Good News of Jesus Christ in my life among my students. UCA also trained me professionally in the field of education.*



Isalah 58:11 (NKJV)

The Lord will guide you continually, And satisfy your soul in drought, And strengthen your bones; You shall be like a watered garden, And like a spring of water, whose waters do not fail.





**Angelica P. Oafallas**  
Assistant Principal

*I am blessed to be part of UCA. My whole being is blessed—body, soul, spirit, and even my career as a professional. I found a new family in UCA which provides love and genuine care for me. I was able to have my masteral degree through the help of UCA. The administrators are really equipped with wisdom that comes from the Lord. I am blessed because they also train us to be good and equipped teachers and leaders. I have been in UCA since 2012, and from here on, I will continue giving my life for this ministry.*



**Karen N. Mohommad**  
Grade 1 Teacher

*I am forever grateful to be part of UCA family. Several years ago, I was just a student of UCA who desired to serve the Lord through this so-called small school. But I witnessed how committed UCA is to its mission and vision. And because of God's grace and faithfulness, UCA grew and touched more lives. I will be forever thankful to the Lord for giving me this opportunity to share my life with my students and their parents.*



**Dr. Mary Joy C. Obingayan**  
Guidance Counselor

*UCA gives opportunity for their teachers to avail free tuition fee if they want to enroll their immediate family in UCA. That is why I am able to enroll my three children in a private school. My children are students of UCA from pre-school up to the present. They are now in Junior and Senior High School. Thank you, Lord, for UCA!*



**Raena Christine C. Tabay**  
Grade 11 Adviser

*I am blessed to be part of the school that the Lord has built. I was given an opportunity by UCA to develop holistically. They provided free accommodation for me for nine (9) years and also helped me to get a masteral degree. And above all that, UCA helped me with my relationship with the Lord and to be part of His ministry.*



**Sheriewyn Lourdes C. Vallido**  
Pre-school Adviser

*I am forever thankful to God for allowing me to be part of UCA. I am more than blessed! UCA is my home for more than ten (10) years. It molds me and trains me to be more than just a teacher but to be a servant of God. UCA helps me to develop professionally by providing support for my masteral degree. UCA cares for me and for my future. No school is like UCA. It is a home for its students, parents, teachers, admin and staff.*



**Sushmita L. Murillo**  
Grade 3 Adviser

*I will forever be proud to be a UCA teacher and worker at the same time. UCA taught me things beyond books and the traditional classroom. It created in me a lifelong learner. I hope to carry with me always the culture of excellence the school wants us to embody. I am grateful because as a school and a home, it chose to be a bearer of hope amid the pandemic. It cares for its students, and it also cares for us, its teachers.*

*To UCA, may you continue to be a gateway of evangelism and a place where everyone may see and experience the glory of God. You stood with us in the toughest of times, let us stand by you through ups and downs. I am all the more in awe for all these things became possible because the Lord made it happen for you.*



**John Cyr. G. Castro**  
Grade 10 Adviser

*The Lord blessed me a lot since the time I committed to UCA. I cannot be who I am today without UCA.*

*The Lord used UCA to boost up my career. It provides me a path towards higher studies. Through UCA, I achieved my National Certificates in Illustration, Visual Graphics and Design, and Animation. Aside from certificates, it also helped me accomplish my board exam and get my license in Secondary Education. With the support*

*of the school and the whole ministry of United Christian Academy, I was able to experience those victories in life that I cannot even imagine.*

*It also made me experience things besides teaching, like being a judge at a competition, and being a mentor or advisor for a school club or group that will compete in a tournament.*

*But the best thing that I could say that I am blessed with is the life of those students who seek God and find God. Witnessing such things is a blessing for me, seeing how they will grow in faith in the Lord and make their steps in following Christ.*



**Raiza M. Maligang**  
Grade 4 Adviser

*I am beyond blessed to be part of UCA Family, a family where God is the center. Looking at its vision and mission and experiencing it, my eyes were opened of what UCA's purpose is. For four (4) years, I have seen how the Lord used this school to touch lives and how UCA helped its teachers and students in all aspects. Especially when the pandemic hit the country last March 2019, UCA truly cared for our well-being as teachers.*

*They have supported us beyond our expectations. Above all, I have witnessed the desire of the school and its administration to continue even in the midst of crisis. I am grateful that I am surrounded by people with the same heart and purpose. Thank you, UCA!*

## Praise the Lord for His continuous favor!

Ephesians 1:11 (NKJV)

In Him also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will.





## Kalaguan sa Kaniyang ministeryo

Subok man dahil sa panahon at iba pang mga pangyayari, ang pagsisikap at pusong nag-aalab na maglingkod ang siyang nag-uumpaw sa mga anak at lingkod ng Diyos upang gawin at ipagpatuloy ang Kaniyang kalooban sa UCF Mt. Tabor Church Re-Creation Center. Ang mga *in-house trainee worker* ay patuloy sa paglilinis at pangangalaga sa mga pasilidad at kabuuan ng Mt. Tabor upang mapanatili ang kaayusan at kagandahan ng lugar.

## Pagsasaayos ng parking lot



Sa pangunguna naman ng pumong pastor ng UCF, tinayuan ng mga bollard post at kinabit ng kadena ang paradang ng mga sasakyan sa harap ng Mt. Tabor upang magsilbing harang at gabay ng mga sasakyan.

## Pagpapaunlak ng bisita



Binista ni Vice Mayor Hon. Leif Laigon A. Opiña ng Cabuyao, Laguna ang Mt. Tabor noong Octubre 15, Biyernes, kung saan sila ay nagkaroon ng makabuluhang pag-uusap patungkol sa agrikultura nina Rev. Dr. William Sy, Sis. Dely Sy at Rev. Dr. James Sy.

## Pagtatayo ng greenhouse



Sinimulan nang gawin ang greenhouse sa plot area kung saan ay kanilang itinayo ang mga poste nito. Makatutulong ito upang maalagaan nang husto ang mga tanim.

## Pagsesemento ng daan



Sa tulong ng kalakihan ay patuloy na sinementuhan ang mga daan para sa banayad na pag-akyat at pagbaba ng Mt. Tabor.

Psalm 5:12 (MBBTAG)

Pinagpapala Mo, O Yahweh, ang mga taong matuwid, at gaya ng kalasag, protektado sila ng Iyong pag-ibig.



## Pagsasalu-salo



Tulong-tulong din ang kababaihan sa paghahanda ng pagkain para sa mga manggagawa ng Mt. Tabor. Masayang nagsalu-salu ang lahat sa munting handa at naging oportunidad din ito upang magkaroon ng fellowship sa bawat isa.

## Pasasalamat at Pananalangin



Isang gabing puno ng pasasalamat ang hatid ng mga manggagawa sa Mt. Tabor kaya naman sama-sama nilang pinapurihan at sinamba ang Panginoon sa pamamagitan ng pag-awit at pagbabahagi ng Salita ng Diyos na pinangunahan ni Rev. Dr. William Sy. Sila rin ay nanalangin sa pangunguna ni Bro. Ernie Hermosa.

## Chapel Service

Bilang isa sa mga programa ng UCA sa Mt. Tabor, tuwing Sabado ay nagsasagawa dito ng Chapel Service para sa mga estudyante. Masayang nakibahagi ang mga kabataan sa ginanap na Chapel Service noong Oktubre 16, Sabado. Dito ay binabahagin ang mga bata ng Salita ng Diyos at itimuturung magpuri at manalangin sa Panginoon.



**Purihin ang Panginoon sa malawak na paggamit sa Mt. Tabor para sa Kaniyang kaluwalhatian!**

**MGA AWIT 30:5 (MBBTAG)**

Ang Kanyang galit, ito'y panandalian, ngunit panghabang-buhay ang Kanyang kabutihan. Sa buong magdamag, luha ma'y pumatak, pagsapit ng umaga, kapalit ay galak.



# Paghubog sa mga tinawag ng Diyos

Ang numang pagsubok at sitwasyon ang dumaan sa buhay ng mga anak ng Diyos, hindi nito mapipigilan ang bawat isang nagnanais na lalong magpagamit para sa kaluwalhatian ng Panginoon. Kaya naman ang

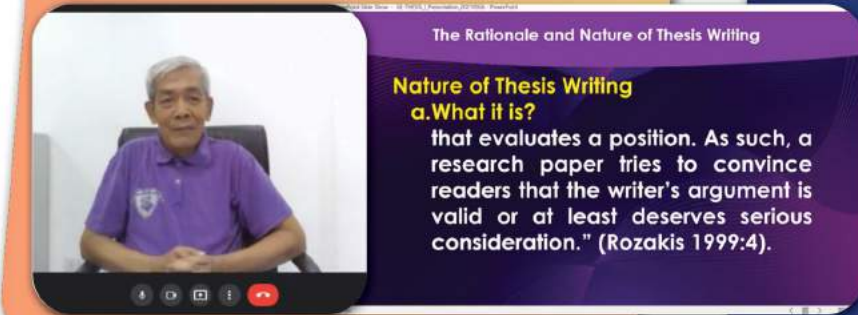
ilan sa mga *covenant member* ng panambahan ay patuloy na sinasaliksik at inaalar ang Salita ng Diyos sa pamamagitan ng UCF *Theological Seminary* (UCFTS) upang sila ay maging kagamit-gamit

sa gawain ng Panginoon.

Sa mga nagdaang linggo ay natapos na ang unang *sequence* ng UCFTS kung saan ang mga mag-aaral ay kumuha ng iba't ibang mga *subject* tulad ng *Language Arts I, Church*

*Music, Theology II at Bible Exposition I.*

Narito ang mga patotoo ng ilan sa mga mag-aaral patungkol sa kanilang mga natutunan at kung paano nila ito maisasagawa sa kanilang buhay Kristiyanong.



Sa kabilang banda, nagsimula na rin ang pagtuturo ng mga bagong subject sa mga estudyante ng UCFTS. Patuloy ang kanilang pag-aaral sa pamamagitan ng Google Meet session tuwing Martes at Biyernes na nagsisimula ng ika-anim hanggang ika-siyam ng gabi. Makikita ang dedikasyon ng mga pastor ng panambahan na siya ring nagsisilbing mga propesor ng bawat klase.

"Sa session 1-10 po ng Theology II, mas lalo ko pong naintindihan ang buhay ng ating Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and how we are made according to His image and in His likeness. Makatutulong po ito sa aking paglago as a follower and worker of Christ. Magagamit ko po ito sa pag-share ng mga natutunan ko about sa buhay ng ating Diyos."



**Sis. Lera Mai Cobarrubia**  
UCFTS Student

"In Theology II, Christology and Anthropology, I have learned that it is important to know Jesus' nature and activities, particularly the incarnation, resurrection, and the relation between His human and divine nature. It can be a foundation of knowledge especially when I go out and be used by the Lord to proclaim His Word."



**Sis. Beatrice Vargas**  
UCFTS Student

"Ia-apply ko ang aking mga natutunan sa Language Arts sa pagpapahayag ng aking testimony at sa pagbabahagi ng Word of God. Habang ang natutunan ko naman sa Theology ay mas na-apply ko sa pagbabasa ng Bibliya at mas naunawaan ko ang mga characteristic at quality ng ating Panginoong Hesus."



**Bro. Christ Alexander Reyes**  
UCFTS Student

"I will always be thankful that Jesus died for me. I will share this to others, and I will use this as an inspiration to continue to be involved in God's ministry through UCF."



**Sis. Marilou Dela Cruz**  
UCFTS Student

**Papuri at pasasalamat sa Panginoon sa pagkakataong makapag-aral ng Kaniyang Salita!**

**Psalm 84:11 (NKJV)**

**For the Lord God is a sun and shield; The Lord will give grace and glory; No good thing will He withhold From those who walk uprightly.**



# Paghuusay para sa Diyos

**S**a patuloy na pagpapagamit ng mga anak ng Diyos sa Kaniyang ministeryo katulad na lamang ng *Band Department*, patuloy ding pinaghuusay ng bawat isa ang kanilang mga talento at abilidad na nanggaling sa Diyos upang ang bawat musikang kanilang tinutugtog ay maging mabangong samyo sa harapan ng Panginoon.

Kaya naman kada linggo ay nagsasanay ang mga miyembro ng *UCF Band Department* bilang paghahanda sa *Midweek at Sunday Worship Service*. Maliban dito, sila rin ay kabahagi ng *UCA Chapel Service* kung saan kanila ring kasama ang *UCF Choir at Dancers* na bumubuo ng *Praise and Worship Team*. Sa tulong nila ay nagagabayan ang mga manunuod sa pagbibigay papuri at pagsamba sa Panginoon.

Narito ang mga patotoo ng ilan sa mga miyembro ng *Band Department* kung paano nakatutulong ang isinasagawa nilang *training at fellowship*.

**Bro. Jonathan Rodriguez**  
BAND MEMBER

Nakatutulong ang band training sa akin sa pamamagitan ng pagpapayaman ng skill at knowledge na kinakailangan sa pagtugtog na ginagamit ko rin para sa Lord. Ang fellowship naman ay nakatutulong sa akin upang ma-remind ako na nariyan ang Lord anuman ang mangyari at mabuti Siya sa lahat ng panahon.

**Bro. Philip Toledo**  
BAND MEMBER

Nakatutulong sa akin ang band training and fellowship dahil po dito mas nai-enhance po ang skills ko at marami pa po akong natutunan mula sa Word of God. I'm very thankful po sa Lord na mayroon pong ganitong gawain upang mas nakaka-focus pa po ako sa Kainya.

**Bro. Jess Mark Marcelino**  
BAND MEMBER

Ang natutunan ko mula sa mga nagdaan na band training ay kung paano mag-prepare in terms of skill at kung gaano kahalaga ang paghahanda ng mga kanta para sa mga darating na service at programa. Sa mga fellowship session naman, ang naituro sa akin ay kung gaano kahalaga ang paghahanda spiritually bago tumugtog. Isa rin sa nakatutulong sa akin ay ang pagbibigay ni Ptr. Moe ng mga tip tungkol sa spiritual growth namin every fellowship session.



Ang mga miyembro ng *Band Department* sa kanilang *training, fellowship at iba pang gawaing kinabibilangan*

*Sama-samang ginawa ng BSOTA staff ang bagong set design sa pangunguna at paggabay ni Rev. Ryan Christian Tabay na siyang direktor din ng nasabing programa. Pagod man ngunit naguumapaw ang kanilang puso na makapaglingkod sa Diyos at magamit sa pagpapalago ng Kaniyang gawain.*



## BSOTA LIVE AUDIENCE

Sa patuloy din nating pagsasaliksik sa Diyos, iniimbitahan namin ang bawat isa na makilahok bilang parte ng live audience ng BSOTA ngayong araw pagkatapos ng Sunday Worship Service. Ito ang iyong pagkakataon upang makapagtanong sa mga pastor patungkol sa iyong paglakad sa Diyos.

Ang bagong BSOTA setup na siyang gagamitin sa ikatlong episode ng programa

## UCFTV UPDATE

# Pagsisikap sa gawain

**A**ng pangunahing ministeryo ng mga anak ng Diyos ay ang pangangaral ng Kaniyang Salita. Isa sa mga programa ng UCF na umaabot sa mga kaluluwang naghahanap sa Diyos ay ang *Bible Study on the Air (BSOTA)* with Rev. Dr. William Sy kasama ang iba pang butihing pastor. Sa pag-uumpisa ng ikapitong season ng programa, panibagong hitsura muli ng BSOTA ang makikita ng mga manunuod.

Tulong-tulong ang mga miyembro ng *Multimedia Department* sa paggawa ng bagong set design noong Oktubre 16, Sabado. Mula sa paglalagari ng mga kahoy hanggang sa pagkakabit ng mga palamuti, batid sa bawat isa ang tuwa na maging parte ng gawaing ito na makatutulong sa pagpapaganda ng nasabing programa.

Tunay na kapag kasama mo ang Diyos, Siya ang magbibigay sa iyo ng karunungan upang mahusay mong magampanan ang Kaniyang gawain.



Mga Awit 90:17 (MBBTAC)

Panginoon naming Diyos, kami sana'y pagpalain, magtagumpay nawa kami sa anumang aming gawin! Magtagumpay nawa kami!



# Kalinawan sa Salita ng Diyos

**B**ilang parte ng *live audience* ng *Bible Study on the Air* (BSOTA), ang ilan sa Bating kapatiran ay nakapaglahad ng kanilang mga katanungan patungkol sa Salita ng Diyos. Narito ang ilan sa mga patotoo nila patungkol sa karanasan nila bilang parte ng *live audience* at kung paano nakatulong ang parteng ito ng programa ng BSOTA sa kanilang lakad Kristiyano.

Sa pagiging *live audience* sa BSOTA, marami akong natutunan na maia-apply ko sa aking mga desisyon. Mga-guide ako nito sa aking buhay bilang isang Kristiyano sa mundong makasalanang. Nahihirapan akong umintindi kapag binasa ko lang o kapag bago lang ang topic kaya nakakatulong ito dahil nasasagot agad ang mga tanong ko at mas naiintindihan ko pa lalo ang mensahe ng Panginoon.



**Sis. Alicia Faye Obingayan**  
BSOTA Live Audience (October 6, 2021)

Natutuwa ako dahil puwede na kami magtanong sa aming mga pastor tuwing BSOTA. Nagustuhan ko ito dahil nasasagot na ang mga tanong ko para mas maintindihan ko pa at magawa ko ang gusto ng Diyos para sa akin dahil may mga oras na nalilito ako at mali ang naiintindihan ko kapag nagbabasa ako ng Bibliya o nakikinig sa mga preaching ng mga pastor. Mahalaga din ito sa aking buhay bilang isang Kristiyano dahil mas lumalawak ang aking kaisipan tungkol sa Diyos at mas naiintindihan ko ang gustong ipagawa Niya sa akin.



**Sis. Keanne Claire Obingayan**  
BSOTA Live Audience (October 6, 2021)

Mas gusto ko po ang pagiging *live audience* dahil mas nararamdaman ko at naisasapuso ko ang bawat Salita ng Diyos. Ang chance na makapagtanong ay isang napakagandang karanasan. Na-experience ko po rito sa BSOTA na para akong nasa TV at totoong audience kaharap ang mga artistang pastor. Higit sa lahat, isang kahalagahan ng BSOTA sa buhay Kristiyano ko ay napapanatili nito ang Salita ng Diyos sa buhay ko bilang isang mananampalataya. Ang BSOTA ay nagsisilbing reminder para sa akin.



**Bro. Sonny Costales**  
BSOTA Live Audience (October 13, 2021)

Nagpapasalamat ako sa Panginoon sa bagong set-up ng programa ng BSOTA dahil ang experience na maging isa sa *live audience* ay hindi lang nakakakilig at masaya, kung hindi nililina din nito ang mga alinlangan natin na mahalaga sa paglakad natin sa buhay Kristiyano. Nakakatulong din ito sa mga nanunuod ng programa na hindi nagkakaroon ng lakas ng loob na magtanong. Salamat po sa mga pastor ng UCF dahil buong puso nilang sinagot ang mga katanungan at malinaw ko pong naintindihan ang mga kasagutan. Mahalaga na masagot ang mga nasa isip at kalooban natin para sa paglago natin bilang mananampalataya. Sa Diyos lahat ng papuri at pasasalamat!



**Sis. Tess Dampog**  
BSOTA Live Audience (October 13, 2021)



Sa bawat buhay natin ay mayroong ginawa at ibinigay ang Diyos na pangako. Ang plano ng Diyos ay napakaganda. If you will just see, sinasabi ng Diyos, 'Ito ang magandang plano Ko para sa iyo.' Anong gagawin mo? Siyempre hahanapin mo ang magandang plano ng Diyos sa buhay mo. Ang ipinangako sa iyo ng Diyos kahit malayo man ngunit ito ay napakaganda.

*Rise on your feet and start moving toward the promise of God in your life. Tayo ngayon ay tumayo anuman ang kinakaharap natin. Tayo ngayon ay magsimulang kumilos at lumakad para sa ninanais ng Diyos para sa bawat isa sa atin. No matter how young you are, maski bata ang iba o maski matanda ang iba, ang ninanais ng Panginoon ay ang tumayo tayo. Kung ikaw ngayon ay kinakausap ng Diyos, kung pinaparanas ng Diyos iyan sa iyo, then stand up on your feet. Rise on your feet and start moving towards God's plan for you.*

*"Kung ikaw ngayon ay kinakausap ng Diyos, kung pinaparanas ng Diyos iyan sa iyo, then stand up on your feet. Rise on your feet and start moving towards God's plan for you."*

*No matter how dark your past is, surrender it to the Lord and arise. Cross over the things or situations that hinder you toward the promise of God. What God wants is for you to just take a step. Pagkatapos mo tumindig, humakbang ka na at mararanasan mo nang magtiwala sa Diyos. If God has divided the Jordan River and is the divider of the Red Sea, then God will make a way for your life as you follow Him.*

*Kung ano ka man ngayon, kung nasaan ka man ngayon, God will extend your territory. God will expand you according to His promises. This is your opportunity to testify God's works to your family and to other people. Hanapin mo ngayon kung kailan ka puwedeng makapag-share sa family mo na binago ka na ng Diyos, nararanasan mo ang pagmamahal ng Diyos at nararanasan mo kung paano ka pinagaling ng Diyos. Gagawin mo ito dahil sa ginawa ng Diyos sa buhay mo, dahil sa pagbabago ng Diyos sa buhay mo at dahil minahal ka ng Diyos.*

*"Ang ninanais ng Panginoon is for you to just take a step. After mo tumindig, humakbang ka na at mararanasan mo nang magtiwala sa Diyos."*

*That is the opportunity to share whatever you have experienced to your family, to your friends at sa mga katrabaho mo para makilala rin nila ang ating Diyos. God wants you to look for that opportunity.*

*If God will bless you, then you can be a blessing to other people. Una kang pagpapalain ng Diyos bago ka magpala sa ibang tao. Kapag hinayaan mo na ang Diyos ang kumilos sa buhay mo, mararanasan mo na ibibigay Niya ang oportunidad upang ikaw ay mag-expand. I-expand mo ang salvation mo sa ibang tao upang mararanasan nila at makilala rin nila ang Diyos through you at gayundin ay mararanasan mo na pagpalain ng Diyos as you serve God, so that you will be a blessing to other people.*

*Let God be with you always. Hayaan mo na ang Diyos ay makasama mo lagi. Ang ninanais ng Panginoon, as you live your life in this world, is for you to let Him lead and guide your life always, holding onto His promises. Ang ninanais ng Panginoon ay ang pangunahan ng ating Diyos ang buhay mo.*



**Rev. Morrell B. Estrellado**  
UCF Associate Pastor  
Sunday Worship Service  
September 23, 2018

Psalm 84:11 (NKJV)

For the Lord God is a sun and shield; The Lord will give grace and glory; No good thing will He withhold From those who walk uprightly.





# Katagumpayan sa piling ng Diyos

Sa panahon man ng kasiyahan o kalungkutan, ang Diyos ay nariyan sa mga anak Niyang handang lumapit at manampalataya sa Kaniya. Kaya naman sa panahon ng pagsubok tulad ng mga karamdaman ay patuloy na pagpapagaling ang Kaniyang ipinararanas. Narito ang ilan sa mga *covenant member* na nagpatotoo ng kanilang karanasan ng kabutihan ng Diyos sa kanilang buhay.

**"Talagang tumawag, manalig at sumunod ka lang sa Kaniya at hindi ka Niya pababayaan."**

Nagpapasalamat ako sa ating mapagmahal at tunay na Manggagamot, ang Panginoon Hesús, dahil gumaling na ang aking dalawang pamangkin at kapatid na nasa bingit na ng kamatayan dahil sa COVID-19. Talagang tumawag, manalig at sumunod ka lang sa Kaniya at hindi ka Niya pababayaan. Lord, maraming salamat sa kagalingan.



**Sis. Lorna Chua**  
Covenant Member

**"God is really our Healing God at walang imposible sa Kaniya."**

Muli na namang ipinakita ng Panginoon ang kadakilaan Niya sa aming pamilya noong minsang magkasakit ang pamangkin ko at idineklara na suspected Leukemia. Walang humpay ang pagbuhos ng dugo sa kaniyang ilong at dumating sa puntong nawalan na siya ng malay at kinailangang ipasok sa ICU para lagyan ng tubo. Noong mga oras na iyon ay halos tanggapin na lang namin ang kaniyang magiging kapalaran. Ngunit nagdesisyon kami na pumunta sa UCF para humingi ng prayer para sa pamangkin ko at hindi kami binigo ng lingkod ng Panginoon na si Ptr. James. Tinuruan niya kami kung paano manalangin nang may buong pagtitiwala at pananampalataya sa Diyos. Right after ng prayer namin, nagkaroon kami ng peace at assurance sa aming mga puso. Hindi na kami nangamba ngunit higit na nagtiwala kami sa Panginoon. Kinabukasan ay inilabas na ang pamangkin ko sa ICU at nagtuloy-tuloy na ang kaniyang paggaling. Sa wakas ay nakalabas na siya ng ospital. Sa ngayon ay bumalik na siya sa kaniyang normal na pamumuhay na may pasasalamat at pananampalataya sa Diyos na buhay. Patuloy din Siyang nanunuod ng mga programa ng UCF mula sa Laguna. God is really our Healing God at walang imposible sa Kaniya.



**Sis. Maria Katrina Rica Murillo**  
Covenant Member

**"God is truly great, for His hand is not short to cover my family."**

I thank God for His love and covering that He extends to my family. For the past few weeks, my family, especially my father, encountered a sickness. He was diagnosed as asymptomatic in COVID-19. But God is truly great, for His hands are not short to cover my family. The Almighty Father truly dwells in my life, as well as in the lives of my family. Hallelujah! God is truly great! His love endures forever.



**Sis. Ruth Caranguian**  
Covenant Member

**"Praise God for His unending love for my family!"**

Answered prayer ko na negative ang grandchild ko sa COVID-19 dahil two weeks ago ay nagkaroon siya ng sintomas ng COVID-19. Praise God for His unending love for my family!



**Sis. Nena Amancio**  
Covenant Member

**"Thankful po ako dahil God answered my prayers dahil lagi ko pong prayer na ingatan kami ng family ko."**

Thankful po ako dahil God answered my prayers. Lagi ko pong prayer na ingatan kami ng family ko. Thankful po ako na pinagaling Niya po kami ni kuya sa sakit namin. And thankful din po ako na naging successful ang interview ko para sa ESC.



**Sis. Cherry Hann Tanjusay**  
Covenant Member

**"Sa pagtiwala namin sa Panginoon, hindi Niya kami binigo. Pinalakas at pinagaling Niya ang aking tito."**

Nagpapasalamat ako sa Panginoon dahil sa himalang naranasan ng aming pamilya. Hindi hinayaan ng Panginoon na malagasan na naman kami ng isang kapamilya. Pinagaling ng Panginoon ang aking tito from COVID-19. Nasa critical stage na po ang aking tito pero sa pagtiwala namin sa Panginoon, hindi Niya kami binigo. Pinalakas at pinagaling Niya ang aking tito. Kaya lahat ng papuri at pasasalamat ay tanging sa Panginoon lamang.



**Bro. Jezreel Murillo**  
Covenant Member

**Purihin ang Panginoon sa katagumpayang ibinibigay Niya sa Kaniyang mga anak!**

Mga Kawikaan 3:3-4 (MBBTAG)

**<sup>3</sup>Pananalig at katapata'y huwag mong tatalikuran, ikuwintas sa iyong leeg at itanim sa isipan. <sup>4</sup>Sa gayon, malulugod sa iyo ang Diyos, at kikilalanin ka ng mga tao.**



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## Y2 S7 E02: UNDERSTANDING THE CALLING OF GOD

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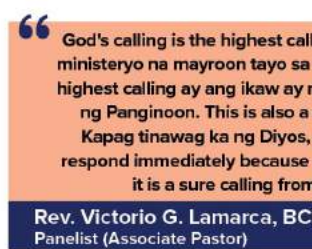
“ Ang sinabi lang ni Jesus sa disciples Niya, 'Come and follow Me and I will make you fishers of men.' Wala pa Siyang sinabing detalye. Sumunod ka at matutuklasan mo kung ano ang susunod. Ang hinihingi kasi ng Diyos ay obedience. Ang gusto ng Diyos ay sumunod ka. ”

Rev. James C. Sy, ThB, CEEd, EdD  
Panelist (Administrative Pastor)



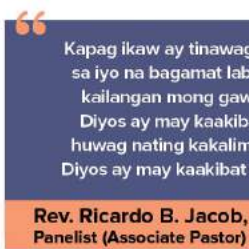
“ Habang tayo ay nandito sa mundo, magpatuloy tayo na magpa-equip. Nandiyan ang Salita ng Diyos at ang simbahan. Ang tanong, available ka ba? Mayroon ka ba talagang commitment upang sumunod sa tawag ng Diyos sa buhay mo? ”

Rev. Morrell B. Estrellado, BSECE, ThB, MDM  
Panelist (Associate Pastor)



“ God's calling is the highest calling. Anumang ministeryo na mayroon tayo sa simbahan, ang highest calling ay ang ikaw ay maging lingkod ng Panginoon. This is also a sure calling. Kapag tinawag ka ng Diyos, you have to respond immediately because you know that it is a sure calling from God. ”

Rev. Victorio G. Lamarca, BCE, ThM  
Panelist (Associate Pastor)



“ Kapag ikaw ay tinawag, mayroong ipararanas sa iyo na bagamat labag sa kalooban mo ay kailangan mong gawin. Ang pagsunod sa Diyos ay may kaakibat na pagsubok. Pero huwag nating kakalimutan na ang tawag ng Diyos ay may kaakibat ding reward at the end. ”

Rev. Ricardo B. Jacob, BSME, ThB  
Panelist (Associate Pastor)



“ Ang mahalaga sa isang Kristiyano ay ang kaniyang pananampalataya at dependence sa Panginoon. Hindi puwede na labas ka sa kagustuhan ng Panginoon. Ang ating tawag ay nakadepende sa kapangyarihan ng ating Diyos. ”

Rev. Ryan Christian C. Tabay, ABMC, MDM  
Panelist (Associate Pastor)



“ Tayong mga naglilingkod sa ministeryo ng Diyos, bagamat marami tayong pinagdadaanan sa panahon natin ngayon, magpatuloy tayo upang hindi masayang ang tawag sa atin ng Panginoon. Ang pinagsimulan sa atin ng Diyos ay lubusin natin hanggang sa Kaniyang pagbabalik. ”

Rev. Fidel C. Dillo, ThB  
Panelist (Associate Pastor)

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# Understanding the calling of God

by UCF Pastors | Bible Study on the Air with Rev. Dr. William Sy  
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## Genesis 12:1-3 (NKJV)

<sup>1</sup>Now the Lord had said to Abram: "Get out of your country, from your family and from your father's house, to a land that I will show you. <sup>2</sup>I will make you a great nation; I will bless you and make your name great; and you shall be a blessing. <sup>3</sup>I will bless those who bless you, and I will curse him who curses you; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

## Introduction

Abraham's call was very special. God called him out of a rebellious world to be a conduit for salvation. He is a pivotal character in redemptive history. As we study him, we will learn a great deal about living a life of faith (Hebrews 11:8-19). But, specifically in this passage, we learn about God's call.

## Matthew 22:14 (NKJV)

"For many are called, but few are chosen."

## 2 Timothy 1:9 (NKJV)

Who has saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace which was given to us in Christ Jesus before time began.

## Proverbs 19:21 (NKJV)

There are many plans in a man's heart, Nevertheless the Lord's counsel—that will stand.

## What are the characteristics of God's call as discerned from the call of Abraham?

### 1. God's call is a call to obey God's revelation.

In one sense, there is a general call for all believers as revealed through God's

Word. God calls for all of us to make disciples, to spend time with Him daily through His Word and prayer, to be involved with and serve a Bible-preaching church, and to turn away from sin. These are aspects of God's general call for all believers. However, God also has a specific call for every believer.

a. To know our specific call, we must apply the principles of the Scriptures.

b. To know our specific call, we must faithfully fulfill God's general call.

## 1 Samuel 16:6-7 (NKJV)

"So it was, when they came, that he looked at Eliab and said, "Surely the Lord's anointed is before Him!" "But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look at his appearance or at his physical stature, because I have refused him. For the Lord does not see as man sees; for man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart."

## Luke 9:22-25 (NKJV)

<sup>22</sup>Saying, "The Son of Man must suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised the third day." <sup>23</sup>Then He said to them all, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me. <sup>24</sup>For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will save it. <sup>25</sup>For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and is himself destroyed or lost?"

## Romans 11:29 (NKJV)

For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable.

## Juan 14:21 (MBBTAG)

"Ang tumatanggap sa mga utos Ko at tumutupad sa mga ito ang siyang umiibig sa Akin. Ang umiibig sa Akin ay iibigin ng Aking Ama; iibigin Ko rin siya at Ako'y lubusang magpapakilala sa kaniya."

## 2. God's call is a call of sovereign election.

Why did God call Abraham? What made him special?

Abraham was from a family of idolaters. There was no special reason for God to call him. In fact, as we follow his story, we will watch him fail God many times. He lies about his wife twice and, at one point, marries another woman. He allows his wife, Sarah, to abuse his new, pregnant wife. He fails God in many ways.

What makes him special is God's election. God chose him from among all the pagans to bestow special grace on him, and this grace was not just to bless Abraham but to bless the entire world through him. The Messiah, Jesus Christ, eventually came through his lineage.

God called people in the Bible based on His sovereign right as King. They were chosen not because of what they have done but because of God's election:

- Jacob - Even though he is not the eldest, he received the inheritance.
- Israelites - They were not totally obedient, but God chose them to be His nation.
- Samson - Even though he chose Delilah as his wife and put his life in danger, he was still considered as one of the judges of Israel.
- Paul - He persecuted early Christians, but God elected Him to preach the Gospel to the Gentile nation.

Why is it important to understand God's election when considering one's call?

a. Understanding election helps us trust God instead of being angry at Him when we consider our situation or others'.

b. Understanding election helps us to be humble instead of prideful when God prospers us.

c. Understanding election helps us worship God.

## Philippians 3:13 (NKJV)

Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead,

## 2 Peter 1:10 (NKJV)

Therefore, brethren, be even more diligent to make your call and election sure, for if you do these things you will never stumble.

## Hebrews 3:1 (NKJV)

Therefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our confession, Christ Jesus.

## 3. God's call is costly.

Abraham was called to leave his country, his people, and his father's household. In order to follow God's call, he needed to leave everything.

This is not only true of Abraham's call but ours as well. If anyone is going to follow Christ, he must deny himself and take up his cross.

## Deuteronomy 31:6 (NKJV)

"Be strong and of good courage, do not fear nor be afraid of them; for the Lord your God, He is the One who goes with you. He will not leave you nor forsake you."

## Bible Reference

### Mga Taga-Efeso 1:11-14 (MBBTAG)

## Proverbs 1:24 (NKJV)

Because I have called and you refused, I have stretched out my hand and no one regarded,

## 1 Thessalonians 4:11 (NKJV)

That you also aspire to lead a quiet life, to mind your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you.

## Proverbs 3:3-4 (NKJV)

<sup>3</sup>Let not mercy and truth forsake you; Bind them around your neck, Write them on the tablet of your heart, <sup>4</sup>And so find favor and high esteem In the sight of God and man.



## Bible Reference

### Matthew 28 (NKJV)

### Philippians 4:13 (NKJV)

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

### 1 Peter 1:16 (NKJV)

Because it is written, "Be holy, for I am holy."

### Ephesians 2:10 (NKJV)

For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

### 4. God's call is a call to faith and dependence.

Abraham, by leaving his people and his father's household, left his security. God was calling Abraham to a life of faith—a life of depending upon Him.

Eventually, after Abraham left his country, God revealed where he was going. Many times as we follow what God has revealed, He reveals the next step to us. This is the life of faith.

Our life of faith begins at salvation. God calls us to give up our striving for salvation through good works and to trust solely in Christ's finished work. Also, as Christians following God's call, the Lord continually teaches us our insufficiency and His sufficiency. Essentially, He teaches us how to depend on Him and live the life of faith.

### Mark 12:31 (NKJV)

"And the second, like it, is this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."

### Proverbs 3:5 (NKJV)

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding.

### Matthew 28:19 (NKJV)

Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and

of the Holy Spirit.

### Matthew 16:24 (NKJV)

Then Jesus said to His disciples, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me."

### 1 Corinthians 15:58 (NKJV)

Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.

### 5. God's call is a call to separation from the world and sin.

Probably, part of the reason that Abraham needed to leave his country, family, and household was because of temptations associated with them. Ur, though a prosperous city, was full of idolatry and Abraham's family worshiped idols.

This is our call as well. If we are going to follow Christ, we must turn away from sin and all temptations to sin.

### Romans 8:28 (NKJV)

And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.

### John 16:33 (NKJV)

"These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

### 6. God's call includes great promises for those who obey.

God's call comes with many great promises. When God calls us or moves in our lives, many times He doesn't give us reasons or calm the waves of our curiosity. He may not answer questions like, "Why?" or "What for?" Sometimes He doesn't even tell us "Where?" or "How?" but He always gives us promises.

### What promises did God give Abraham?

#### a. God promised to give Abraham a land.

This promise is later expanded. In Genesis 12:7, God says, "To your offspring I will give this land." God promised to give his offspring the land of Canaan.

However, it must be known that God's promise of a land was not just earthly—it was also heavenly.

#### b. God promised to make Abraham a great nation.

At the time Abraham received this promise, he was childless. His original name Abram meant "exalted father" while his later name Abraham meant "father of a multitude."

In that culture, it was shameful to not have any children. Here, God promises to remove that shame and not only give them a child but to bring a great nation from him. This nation would be the nation of Israel.

#### c. God promised to bless Abraham.

The word "bless" is a rich word.

- It can be translated as happy. God's blessing brings joy in the life of a person—no matter the circumstances.
- Blessing has to do with approval. When a man wants to marry a woman, he gets her father's "blessing"—meaning his approval. Abraham would be approved by God for his obedience.

- It also has the connotation of favor. God was going to place His favor on Abraham's life, as we see throughout his story. God prospers him with wealth; He gives him a baby when he and his wife were past childbearing age.

- The greatest blessing was obviously God's presence. God would speak with Abraham and visit his house (Genesis 18). The Scripture calls Abraham God's friend (James 2:23).

#### d. God promised to make Abraham's name great.

In fact, the very first temptation of man was to be like God—to have his glory. Adam and Eve ate of the Tree

of Knowledge to be like God, and God disciplined them. However, Abraham was not seeking his own glory, and God promised to exalt him.

This principle is still at work today. The world avidly pursues greatness. Each person pursues a name for him or herself through education, wealth, strength, or popularity. Similarly, each religion teaches people to try to save themselves through good works.

However, God opposes the proud and exalts the humble (James 4:6). He rejects those who come to Him based on their works, but accepts those who come to Him like children—not trusting in their own works but trusting in the work of Jesus (Matthew 18:2–3; Romans 4:5).

#### e. God promised Abraham to make him a blessing.

It must be noted that God blessed Abraham not primarily for his enjoyment but so he could be a blessing to many. Abraham blessed those in Canaan.

Psalms 1:3 describes the man who is blessed by God as a tree that produces fruit in season. A tree does not bear fruit for itself. We never see apple trees eat their own fruit. God made trees to bless others.

## Conclusion

God's call to Abraham, together with its characteristics and promises, is still true and applicable in our lives today. God is calling us today.

### John 1:15–19 (NKJV)

<sup>15</sup>John bore witness of Him and cried out, saying, "This was He of whom I said, 'He who comes after me is preferred before me, for He was before me.'" <sup>16</sup>And of His fullness we have all received, and grace for grace. <sup>17</sup>For the law was given through Moses, but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. <sup>18</sup>No one has seen God at any time. The only begotten Son, who is in the bosom

### Genesis 50:20 (NKJV)

But as for you, you meant evil against me; but God meant it for good, in order to bring it about as it is this day, to save many people alive.



of the Father, He has declared Him.  
<sup>19</sup>Now this is the testimony of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who are you?"

#### Philippians 1:6 (NKJV)

Being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ.

#### 1 Corinthians 1:26 (NKJV)

For you see your calling, brethren, that not many wise according to the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called.

#### 2 Corinthians 4:16 (NKJV)

Therefore we do not lose heart. Even though our outward man is perishing, yet the inward man is being renewed day by day.

#### Matthew 5:10-12 (NKJV)

<sup>10</sup>Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven. <sup>11</sup>Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

#### Ecclesiastes 12:13-14 (NKJV)

<sup>13</sup>Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep His commandments, For this is man's all. <sup>14</sup>For God will bring every work into judgment, Including every secret thing, Whether good or evil.



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#### MIDWEEK SERVICE

## In Christ

by Rev. Ryan Christian Tabay  
 October 14, 2021



#### Romans 8:1-4 (NKJV)

<sup>1</sup>There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit. <sup>2</sup>For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death. <sup>3</sup>For what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh, God did by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, on account of sin: He condemned sin in the flesh, <sup>4</sup>that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

#### Introduction

Romans 8 can be considered as a "victory chapter" in the Book of Romans. It is the answer to Matthew 5:4 (Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.). It tells us of the comfort for us who mourn because of sin.

#### Romans 7:24

O wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?

Romans 8 presents us how great and marvellous the work of God to those who are "in Christ".

#### A. Those who are "in Christ" are not condemned.

Condemned means...

- Declared to be disgraceful, wrong or evil
- Pronounced guilty and sentenced to punishment
- Officially declared to be unfit for use

When a believer is "in Christ," he is free from the law of sin and death (v. 2).

- We are not judged as a sinner but delivered from the condemnation of death and hell.
- We are not judged to be unrighteous, but counted as righteous.
- We are secured from condemnation now and forever.
- We are not to be separated from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

#### Romans 8:38-39

<sup>38</sup>For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, <sup>39</sup>nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

- Only the believers who are "in Christ" will not be condemned.
- All non-believers will face condemnation for sin.

#### B. Who are those "in Christ"?

1. To be "in Christ" means that a person's faith in Christ places him in Christ.

The believer's faith actually causes God to identify him and count him:

- As having lived in Christ when Christ lived on the earth—sinless and righteous
- As having died in Christ and never need to die—the penalty and condemnation of our sins are already paid
- As having been raised in Christ—we receive a "new life"

2. To be "in Christ" means that a believer walks and lives in Christ day by day.

- A true believer lives, moves, and has his being in Christ.
- A true believer is united in Christ.
- A true believer lays his life (his past sins and his present behavior) upon Christ.
- A true believer entrusts his present welfare and destiny into the hands of Christ.

To truly believe is to walk, and to

truly walk is to believe.

To live and walk in Christ means that we do not walk after the flesh but after the Spirit. We deny ungodliness and worldly lust; and we live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world.

To live and walk in Christ means that we bear the fruit of the Spirit.

#### Galatians 5:22-23

<sup>22</sup>But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup>gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.

3. To be "in Christ" is to have life from the Spirit.

The Spirit gives life to men, but He gives life only to those who forsake the flesh and walk after Him. We know that we walk after the Spirit if we love Christ and desires to honor Christ in all we do.

Such love and honor of Christ please our God the Father, for God the Father loves His Son with a perfect love.

Whatever recognition and honor we give to Christ, God matches it for us:

- If we trust Christ for righteousness, then God gives us righteousness.
- If we trust Christ for meaning, purpose, and significance, then God gives us meaning, purpose and significance.
- If we trust Christ to lead us through trial or need, then God leads us through trial or need.

God will even go beyond and do much more than we ask or think.

#### Ephesians 3:20

Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us.

#### Challenge

Live and walk in Christ.

#### Proverbs 3:34-35 (NKJV)

<sup>34</sup>Surely He scorns the scornful, But gives grace to the humble. <sup>35</sup>The wise shall inherit glory, But shame shall be the legacy of fools.



## Midweek Service Highlights

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Noong tayo ay nagkasala sa harapan ng Panginoon, tayo raw ay hinatulan ng kamatayan. Pero noong tinanggap mo si Jesus bilang Lord and Savior mo, para ka na ring namatay pero hindi ka talaga namatay. Bakit? Namatay si Hesus para sa iyo.

”

“

Kung feeling mo ay banal ka na, kulang pa iyan. Kasi ang standard ng Diyos ay laging hindi abot ng tao. Kailangan mong mamuhay in Christ upang ang kakulangan mo ay pupunuin ni Hesu Kristo.

”

“

Kung sinasabi mong si Kristo ang iyong Panginoon, kailangan nakikita Siya sa buhay mo.

“

Anyone who is in Christ ay may pananampalataya kay Hesu Kristo. Siya ay naniniwala na siya ay iniligtas at binili ng banal na dugo ni Hesu Kristo.

”

“

Noong tinanggap mo si Jesus Christ, hindi mo na kailangan magbayad ng penalty ng sin, bagkus si Jesus na nasa sa iyo ang nagbayad noon.

”

“

Pinapayagan ng Panginoon na ma-realize natin na apart from Jesus Christ, wala tayong kayang gawin. Apart from being with God and walking sa Kaniyang Espiritu, wala tayong kayang ma-accomplish. Even ang meaning or purpose ng buhay natin ay walang saysay kung wala tayo sa Panginoon.

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**Rev. Ryan Christian Tabay**  
UCF Associate Pastor  
Midweek Service | October 14, 2021

## Sunday Worship Service Highlights

Ang mahalaga sa panahon natin ngayon, sabi ni Paul, ay sa mabuhay o sa mamatay, kay Kristo tayo.

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Ang mga mananampalataya ay dapat maging tapat sa paglilingkod sa Diyos at harapin nang mayroong tapang ang paghahayag ng Salita ng Diyos sa ating kapanahunan.

”

“

Huwag po tayo umasa sa kapwa natin. Sa Diyos po tayo higit na umasa.

“

Tayo ay marahil nagugulumihanan na. Marahil tayo ay naguguluhan na sa mundong ito, ngunit sa John 14:27 ay mayroong pangako ang Panginoon. Sabi roon, 'Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.'

”

“

Lahat tayo ay mayroong adhikain sa buhay na ito. Lahat tayo ay mayroong mga pangarap. Lahat tayo ay may nararapat na gawin upang gampanan ang ating tungkulin sa mundong ito. Isang bagay na tungkulin ang huwag nating kalimutan at iyon ay ang tunay na paglilingkod sa ating Panginoon.

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**Rev. Fidel Dillo**  
UCF Associate Pastor  
Sunday Worship Service | October 10, 2021

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS 2021

### Christmas Celebration

Coordinator: Ms. Liezle Ala

DECEMBER 19

OCTOBER 24

### Pastor's Day Celebration

Coordinator: Mrs. Nerissa Estrellado

DECEMBER 23

### UCF Hit and Run

Coordinator: Rev. Morrell Estrellado

### Worker's Retreat

Coordinator: Rev. Dr. James Sy

OCTOBER 30 NOVEMBER 1 & 2

### UCA Chapel Service

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OCTOBER 2021

### Moderna Vaccination in UCA

Coordinator: Ms. Karen Mohammad.

2021

Psalms 89:17-18 (NKJV)

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### Call to Ministry

To covenant members who are interested to be used mightily in God's ministry, you may join the following departments. For more information, you may coordinate with the respective department heads.

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Head: Sis. Angelica Oafallas

#### Voice of the Vision

Head: Sis. Sushmita Murillo



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**Genesis 50:20 (NKJV)**

**But as for you, you meant evil against me; but God meant it for good, in order to bring it about as it is this day, to save many people alive.**



# Know Jesus...

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## Galatians 4:4

But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law.

### b. Christ's human names

Matthew 1:21 – He was given the name "Jesus".

1 Timothy 2:5 – Jesus was called a man.

Acts 7:56 – Stephen called Him Son of Man.

### c. Jesus has physical nature.

#### John 1:14

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

#### 1 John 4:3

And every spirit that does not confess that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is not of God. And this is the spirit of the Antichrist, which you have heard was coming, and is now already in the world.

### d. Jesus as a normal being

He hungered. – Matthew 4:2

He thirsted. – John 4:7

He slept. – Matthew 8:24

He had compassion. – Matthew 9:36

He wept. – John 11:35

He prayed. – Matthew 14:23

### e. Jesus has a body, soul, and spirit.

#### John 1:14

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

## Matthew 26:38

Then He said to them, "My soul is exceedingly sorrowful, even to death. Stay here and watch with Me."

## Luke 23:46

And when Jesus had cried out with a loud voice, He said, "Father, 'into Your hands I commit My spirit.'" Having said this, He breathed His last.

### f. Jesus died.

#### Hebrews 2:9

But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, for the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, that He, by the grace of God, might taste death for everyone.

#### Luke 23:33

And when they had come to the place called Calvary, there they crucified Him, and the criminals, one on the right hand and the other on the left.

## III. Christ's Character

### a. Jesus is holy.

#### 1 Peter 1:16

Because it is written, "Be holy, for I am holy."

#### Acts 3:14

But you denied the Holy One and the Just, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you.

### b. He is compassionate.

#### Mark 6:34

And Jesus, when He came out, saw a great multitude and was moved with compassion for them, because they were like sheep not having a shepherd. So He began to teach them many things.

## Matthew 20:34

So Jesus had compassion and touched their eyes. And immediately their eyes received sight, and they followed Him.

## Mark 9:22, 25

<sup>22</sup>And often he has thrown him both into the fire and into the water to destroy him. But if You can do anything, have compassion on us and help us."

<sup>25</sup> When Jesus saw that the people came running together, He rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "Deaf and dumb spirit, I command you, come out of him and enter him no more!"

### c. Jesus is prayerful.

#### Luke 6:12

Now it came to pass in those days that He went out to the mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God.

#### Mark 1:35

Now in the morning, having risen a long while before daylight, He went out and departed to a solitary place; and there He prayed.

## Matthew 6:5-15 (The Model Prayer)

**d. Christ is humble—did not seek His own glory.**

## John 8:50

And I do not seek My own glory; there is One who seeks and judges.

## Matthew 11:29

Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

### e. Christ is meek.

Meekness is being not harsh or contentious.

Matthew 11:29

### f. Christ is loving.

He loves the church. - Galatians 5:25

He loves the Father. - John 8:31

### Challenge

Knowing Christ and being like Christ is a great challenge. Paul stated, "Imitate me as I imitate Christ."

## 1 Corinthians 11:1

Imitate me, just as I also imitate Christ.

## Bible Christmas Trivia

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### days before Christmas

Jesus Christ's name in Greek is "Iēsous," which means "Jehovah is salvation," similar to His name in Hebrew ("Yeshua"). Christ is not His last name but is a title, which is "Christos" in Greek, meaning "anointed" and "Messiah" in the Old Testament Hebrew. These indicate kingship or coronation of a king, so Jesus' name means "Jehovah the anointed King by God Who is salvation" because He is God, He is salvation, and He is King.

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