

Hebrews 11:1-3 (NKJV)

'Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. 'For by it the elders obtained a good testimony. 'By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the words of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible.

Introduction

Faith is an essential part of a believer. Without faith, it is difficult, and almost impossible for a believer to walk with God.

What is Faith?

Faith is trusting and believing to someone not seen. It is a heavenly hope instilled in the heart of the believer. Faith brings forth assurance, salvation, and righteousness for a believer.

I. Faith brings forth assurance. Hebrews 10:22 (NIV)

Let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water.

Romans 4:19-21 (NKJV)

¹⁹And not being weak in faith, he did

not consider his own body, already dead (since he was about a hundred years old), and the deadness of Sarah's womb. ²⁰He did not waver at the promise of God through unbelief, but was strengthened in faith, giving glory to God, ²¹and being fully convinced that what He had promised He was also able to perform.

${\bf II.}\, Faith\, brings\, for th\, salvation.$

John 3:16 (NKJV)

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

Ephesians 2:8-9 (NKJV)

⁸For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, ⁹not of works, lest anyone should boast.

III. Faith brings forth righteousness for the believer.

Romans 4:3 (NKJV)

For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness."

Genesis 15:5-6 (NKJV)

⁵Then He brought him outside and said, "Look now toward heaven, and count the stars if you are able

to number them." And He said to him, "So shall your descendants be." ⁶And he believed in the Lord, and He accounted it to him for righteousness.

Hebrews 11:6 (NKJV)

But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

Numbers 25:10-13 (NKJV)

¹⁰Then the Lord spoke to Moses, saying: ¹¹Phinehas the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest, has turned back My wrath from the children of Israel, because he was zealous with My zeal among them, so that I did not consume the children of Israel in My zeal. ¹²Therefore say, 'Behold, I give to him My covenant of peace; ¹³and it shall be to him and his descendants after him a covenant of an everlasting priesthood, because he was zealous for his God, and made atonement for the children of Israel.'"

IV. The Object of our Faith

The world offers us false objects of faith:

- Earthly riches
- Human strength
- Institutions (family, government,

education, economy, religion)

But all of these will fail and cannot bring forth assurance, salvation, and righteousness for us. The true and real object of our faith should be God alone.

Psalm 40:4 (NKJV)

Blessed is that man who makes the Lord his trust, and does not respect the proud, nor such as turn aside to lies.

Proverbs 29:25 (NKJV)

The fear of man brings a snare, but whoever trusts in the Lord shall be safe.

John 14:1 (NKJV)

Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me.

John 6:68-69 (NKJV)

⁶⁸But Simon Peter answered Him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. ⁶⁹Also we have come to believe and know that You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

Conclusion

The faith of the believer that brings forth assurance, salvation, and righteousness enables also the UCA RETREAT

Experiencing God's faithfulness



Built upon a vision and establised to fulfill the call of God, UCA continues to reach the lost souls and share the Good News to its students.

UCA students from various grade levels wholeheartedly participated in the retreat with hearts yearning to experience God's greatness. This three-day program was filled with praise and worship, group devotions, and meaningful sessions that allowed them to know God more and in their relationship with the Lord. Indeed, the Lord demonstrated His faithfulness by touching the hearts of those people who earnestly seek Him, having their first step to their Christian life—their personal encounter with the Lord.

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

The students pour out their hearts to God as they sing praises and thanksgiving. They have experienced a miraculous move of God's hands in their lives as they offer a pure heart before Him. Truly, where the Spirit of God is, there is freedom and new life!







Altogether, students worship God and lift up their lives to Him.



I am really grateful for being a part of UCA Retreat 2022. I am very overwhelmed and emotional during the praise and worship. I feel like this is the best experience I ever had in my thirteen years of life.

GLEN CALEB DILLA

CHEERING

(GRADE 6)

My best experience here in UCA Retreat 2022 are the sessions, games like cheering and group activities lalo na ang Amazing Race. Nakakapagod pero they are all exciting and very challenging.

KC MARIE LAPUT

(GRADE 8)

Students' creativity, wit, and teamwork were challenged during the cheering competition. They have worked hand-in-hand to perform their best together with their classmates and friends. What a joyful day in the Lord!







Students perform their team cheering with grace and confidence. They enjoy the company of their classmates, allowing their creative juices to be one in unity. Teachers alos had fun watching them.

1 John 1:5 (NKJV)

This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all.

GROUP GAMES

For the first day of the program, various group games were greatly enjoyed by the participants. Students from all ages were welcome to join the fun and exciting games. These activities are avenues for meeting new friends and getting closer to one another.













Because of the games prepared beforehand, the students are challenged not just physically, but also mentally. The games teach students to discover how they can work together as they face challenges.





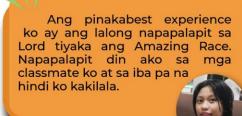
AMAZING RACE

One of the highlights of this year's UCA Retreat is the Amazing Race that did not only test their mental and problem-solving skills, but it also tested their physical strength and agility. As they run the race, they unite as one to ensure their victories.





Regardless of their age, gender, and status, all of the students spend a blissful afternoon filled with smiles and laughs as they journey through different parts of Mt. Tabor to fulfill their given tasks.



ALIAH SOPHIA CARANDANG







The joy from the Lord unifies the bond of the students, along with their friends, classmates, and teachers, creating between them a harmonious relationship built in the foundation of Christ.



2 Peter 3:9 (NKJV)

The Lord is not slow in keeping His promise, as some understand slowness. Instead He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

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GROUP DEVOTIONS

Assigned devotion leaders gathered their groups to share about God's Word and encouraged them in continuing to know Him. Each one also shared their testimonies on how they experienced God, which also served as encouragement to them.

> Nakaka-enjoy ang Amazing marami

nakilalang mga schoolmate at mas nakilala ko rin ang mga classmate

ko. Sa devotion naman ay mas



dahil

naging malapit ako kay Lord at nakarinig rin ako

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Each expresses the desire to experience the true and living God, the kind of experience that changes life







Students open up about the situations they are facing and how God moved during those times







Pastors help students establish their foundation as they start their Christian journey.

SESSIONS

UCF pastors led sessions wherein they emphasized about walking in the light. During these sessions, students were also enlightented as they were given the opportunity to ask questions which were answered by the pastors.







Ang na-experience retreat is the freedom in God. Then, nag-enjoy ako noong first day sa praise and worship, games, and bonding with new people. Then, on the second day, I enjoyed the teaching of pastor about forgiveness.

HILLIANA LYNETTE CUARTOS

(GRADE 10)

Psalm 50:6 (NKJV)

to reveal to them

And the heavens proclaim His righteousness, for He is a God of justice.

WATER BAPTISM

As Jesus allows to reveal Himself to the souls who truly seeks Him, the students who have experienced the love and forgiveness from the Lord have decided to follow Him and declare to their hearts that they are now a changed person and accepted Christ in their life.











We celebrate and give thanks to the life of this students who have decided to follow Jesus Chrst and chose to walk in the light and turn away from their old lives.

HEARTFELT MESSAGE



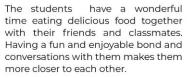






FELLOWSHIP

















Thank You Lord! You opened this opportunity for them to experience Your faithfulness and overflowing love in their lives.

Psalm 116:5 (NKJV)

The Lord is gracious and righteous; our God is full of compassion.

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Experiencing God beyond measure

The entire stay of students in the UCA Retreat gave them the opportunity to draw them near to God while reflecting His goodness in their lives. They also had the opportunity to bond with their classmates and teachers through group games and group devotions. Students summarize their experience as one of a kind as they share their joy and fullfilment in the UCA Retreat.

"I experienced a lot. I felt very emotional. I was very overwhelmed during the programs. I felt God's presence all over me. Thinking

about it now, I'm being emotional. And now, I feel really grateful na nakilala ko si Lord and I joined the retreat. "

Justin Ashlee Batoctoy
Grade 8



"Ang best experience ko sa retreat ay iyong sa second day kasi nag-preach si Ptr. James about forgiveness and at the same time, na-forgive ko na iyong tao na matagal ko nang hindi ginagawa kaya I'm so grateful."

Hazel Chua Grade 10



"First time kong mag-retreat and mas nakilala ko si Lord dahil sa mga pastor. Tapos sa mga laro, nag-enjoy ako kasi may kasama akong ibang schoolmate. Mas marami ba akong nakilala."

Gracelle Belviz
Grade 11

What I learned during the retreat is the value and importance of having a relationship with God. Kasi without God, magulo ang buhay natin. We cannot function well. I've learned the importance of it. Mag-focus ka sa relationship mo sa Lord. Not only will you have success in life, magkakaroon ka ng

peace na hindi nabibigay ng mundong ito. Natutuwa rin ako not only dahil sa bonding sa mga kaklase ko pero natutuwa rin ako sa perspectives at insights na binibigay nila about sa mga topic dito.

> Aeson Kyle Simon Grade 8



Students made wonderful memories with their classmates throughout the retreat.



"My best experience sa retreat ay ang Amazing
Race kasi ang dami kong nakilala
na bagong kaibigan. Mas lalo kong
nakilala si Lord dahil sa retreat kasi
sobrang saya at nakaka-overwhelm din
kapag nagwo-worship and praise."

Christian Jared Regencial
Grade 9

"My best experience from this retreat were both the games, and praise and worship. I learned a lot more about God, Jesus, and Christianity. The

> games were very enjoyable. Everyone is so friendly and welcoming. It's very comfortable. It's not hard to adjust. Mahirap lang umakyat sa Trail 3."

> > Jessica Thalia Cabusao Grade 7



"Masaya po ako. May joy, comfort at peace. Lahat ng magandang feeling na-experience ko rito. Ipinag-pray ko po na maranasan ko Siya at naranasan ko po Siya. Siya lang po ang naging focus ko ngayong gabi."

Felicity Suzzane Garcia
Grade 7

"Before pa po mag-start ang session, nagsabi po si Ptr. Ryan sa amin na mag-pray at mag-ask kay Lord kung anong dapat gawin. Nag-strike sa puso ko na mag-pray. Noong nag-pray ako, may word na ibinigay sa akin si Lord: 'I did not call you just to play, but I called you because I have something for you.' Before retreat mga two weeks ago, hindi po talaga ako okay. May mga problema at nalilito ako. Ang pakiramdam ko ay sobrang gulo. Noong nag-start nang mag-pray si Ptr. James by small group na mag-confess, magpatawad at humingi ng tawad, nag-pray ako at humingi ng tawad sa Lord sa mga maling nagawa ko at ang mga nakagawa rin sa akin ng mali ay pinatawad ko rin po sila. After po noon, nagpatawag

si Ptr. James sa harapan at doon nag-start na kumanta kami. Habang kumakanta kami, naramdaman ko iyong sobrang gaan na pakiramdam na iyong dinadala ko noong past two weeks, nawala sila lahat."

John Paul Toledo



Psalm 68:19-20 (NKJV)

¹⁹Praise be to the Lord, to God our Savior, who daily bears our burdens. ²⁰ Our God is a God who saves; from the Sovereign LORD comes escape from death.

"My most memorable moment and experience here in Mt. Tabor was having fun with my friends while we are in games. The games were very challenging but also fun kasi mga cheerful sila and we cheer each other. I was a bit knackered in the Amazing Race, but I had fun because I have my group members that would motivate each other. What

I have experienced was extraordinary, and priceless. Hindi ko ma-explain dahil sobrang amazing how I encountered God. I was very emotional, and very happy having an encounter again with God."

Alexandre Matthew Serrano
Grade 8

"The best and most memorable experience this retreat that I had is when we were worshipping God because I felt Him and His presence. God reminded me of my sins and that I needed to repent. It made me want to repent and ask God for forgiveness because I want to change."

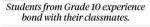
Rion Scott Lim
Grade 8

"My entire experience this retreat has been engaging and also inspiring. I am personally very grateful to UCA for giving me this opportunity to meet again once more my God. I enjoyed

the Amazing Race. It was very enjoyable.
It was nice to just get along with people,
my classmates, and just work it out with my
team. It was very nice also seeing the entire
Mt. Tabor."

Cristine Louise Billa Grade 10





"My best experience for this retreat is probably the Amazing Race. I like the activities and I like the concept on the way it is. The other thing that

really changed my life here is the final session with Ptr. James. I got to forgive people and ask God for forgiveness. I felt His presence near us and that really shocked me and a lot of us [my classmates]."

> **Nicolo Zijin Aguila** Grade 6

"Na-enjoy ko ang Amazing Race. Kahit masakit sa paa at nakakapagod, sobrang nakaka-enjoy dahil may teamwork kami at naka-bonding ko rin ang mga kaibigan ko. Marami rin akong natutunan about kay God at maia-apply ko rin ang mga ito sa sarili ko."

Christina Nicole Ngo
Grade 6

"My best experience is the praise and worship.

After two days of spending my time here, the praise and worship really captured me because it helped me express my true feelings. It kind of released a lot of emotions bottled up in me whic was a lot for me to handle.

I was speechless at the end and I was also crying. But out of all the experiences so far, everything was good like the activities and all the games. It was so fun and the people here are nice."

Samantha Yanah Mendoza
Grade 8



Students from Grade 8 pose a smile with their teachers.



"Best experience ko sa retreat ay ang Amazing Race at ang makakilala ako ng bagong friends. Also, ang mga burden ko na dala ko

papunta dito sa Mt. Tabor, pag-uwi ko ay wala na lahat. I am really happy and thankful sa binigay ni Lord na opportunity sa akin."

Antonette Espares
Grade 10

"Ang na-experience ko this retreat ay sobrang saya. Nagkaroon ako ng opportunity na ma-build ang relationship ko with the Lord. Sobrang sarap sa pakiramdam na makilala si Lord at dahil sa retreat ay mas nakilala ko pa Siya. Sa program ay nag-enjoy din ako dahil dalawang taon din kaming hindi nakapagretreat. Nakaka-miss ang Amazing Race at ang praise and worship dito sa Mt. Tabor. Sobrang saya ng experience. It is unforgettable."

Aaron Charles Macunat
Grade 10

"Ang best experience ko rito sa UCA Retreat
ay ang Amazing Race. Kahit na nakakapagod
ay nakapag-bonding ako sa ibang grade level.
Sa praise and worship ay na-feel ko talaga si God
at nalaman ko na anak na kami ni God. Ang saya

ko lang kasi nahihiya ako umiyak sa harap ng maraming tao. Pero during the activity, nagulat ako na umiiyak na ako."

Hyacinth Pearl Buenafe
Grade 6



Students from Grade 6 are all smile as they savor every moment with friends.



Hebrews 13:8 (NKJV)

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

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Kalaguan ng lupang pangako

Ang kadakilaan at pagsama ng ating Panginoon ay patuloy na nararanasan ng UCF sa iba't ibang ministeryo nito. Isa na rito ang Mt. Tabor *Church Re-Creation Center* na walang tigil ang pagpapalago upang higit na gumanda ang lugar at maihanda ito sa mga programa ng panambahan at iba pang bibisita rito. Sa nakaraang linggo, ang mga *in-house trainee worker* at mga boluntaryo ay tulong-tulong na gumanap para sa gawain ng Diyos sa Mt. Tabor.



Ang kalalakihan ay buong lakas na ipinagpatuloy ang pagsesemento ng daan sa *Trail* 4 kung saan ito ay nakadugtong na sa *Trail* 3. Tirik man ang araw ngunit hindi ito naging handlang upang sila ay gumanap sa kanilang gawain.





Tulong-tulong din na gumawa ng mga tent ang kalalakihan kung saan sila ay nag-welding ng mga bakal para sa estruktura nito. Ang mga ito ay magsilbing lilim ng mga tao na bibisita rito lalo na sa kainitan ng panahon ngayong tag-init at silong sa parating na tag-ulan.

Paggawa ng kulungan

Upang maparami pa ang mga manok sa Mt. Tabor Farm, gumawa ang mga in-house trainee worker ng karagdagang mga breeding cage ng mga manok kung saan ang kada cage ay may tandang at inahin.







Ang ilan sa mga inahing manok at pato ay nangitlog na ng mga *organic egg* na sinimulan nang ibenta bilang isa sa mga pinagkukunan ng kita ng Mt. Tabor *Farm* para sa mga pangangailangan ng mga manggagawa rito. Bukod sa mura ay masustansiya pa ang mga ito.

Purihin ang Panginoon sa Kaniyang katapatan at biyaya sa ministeryo ng Mt. Tabor!

Isaiah 41:10 (NKJV)

Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

HBC UPDATE

Pagpapakilala sa buhay na Diyos

 ${f B}$ ilang pagsunod sa kalooban ng Panginoon sa ating buhay Kristiyano, ang mga manggagawa ng Diyos ay taos-pusong nagbabahagi ng Kaniyang katapatan at pagmamahal sa kanilang mga buhay.

Sa pamamagitan ng *Home Bible Church* (HBC), ang mga kaluluwang nauuhaw sa Diyos ay nagkakaroon ng oportunidad upang mabigyan ng kalakasan na ang Diyos ay tunay at tapat Siya sa mga taong naniniwala at nananampalataya sa Kaniya. Dito, sila rin ay nakakapagbigay papuri at pagsamba sa Ngalan ng Diyos at naipapanalangin ang bawat isang kasapi ng mga HBC. Sa kasalukuyan, mayroong labing isa na HBC na patuloy na ginagamit ng Diyos upang marami pang kaluluwa ang mailapit sa Kaniyang paanan.

AREA 2

Host & Leader: Bro. Adrian Klein Laurel



AREA 3

Hosts: Sis. Emelita Salvacion& Sis. Princess Eva Adan Leader: Sis. Imee Gorobat



AREA 6

Host: Sis. Nelia Tolentino Leaders: Sis. Aira & Noriel Tolentino



AREA 7

Hosts: Bro. Andres & Sis. Basilisa Chavit Leaders: Sis. Liezle Ala & Sis. Glynis Hermosa



SUNRISE DRIVE

Hosts: Bro. JM Marcelino & Sis. Imelda Yadao Leader: Sis. Ma. Jonabelle Jurilla



MASVILLE

Host: Sis. Kristine Jayma Palma & Sis. Marcelina Empic Leader: Sis. Merryll Lhorvin Santos



MANDALUYONG CITY

Host: Sis. Gerlyn Pacris



TAGUIG CITY

Host: Sis. Lizette Escartin Leader: Bro. Noe Amancio



Sa mga nais na buksan ang kanilang mga tahahan para sa Salita ng Diyos at magtayo ng HBC, makipag-uganayan lamang kay

Rev. Morrell Estrellado.

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Paghahanda sa gawain ng ministeryo

Nalalapit na ang muling paghayo ng panambahan ng UCF sa ilang lugar sa ating bansa bilang pagsunod sa tawag ng paglilingkod at pagbabahagi ng ebanghelyo tungkol sa ating Panginoong Hesus.

Sa darating na Mayo 19-21 ay gaganapin ang UCF Misyon sa bayan ng Quezon. Kaya naman bilang paghahanda sa mga ipamamahaging tulong, sama-samang ibinalot ang mga ito. Laman nito ang ilang pangunahing pangangailangan tulad ng pagkain at may kasama ring Bibliya para sa kanila. Inaasahang higit sa sampung panambahan kasama ang mga miyembro nito ang kakatagpuin ng UCF sa mga araw na nabanggit.

Purihin ang Diyos sa oportunidad na maabot ng Kaniyang Salita ang bansa!

1 Corinthians 10:13 (NKJV)

No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.



"Why do we give? It is a very ordinary question that is often asked. Giving is already given to everybody.

Whether you are happy or not, people would give. Now, the Bible is teaching us the very principles and the motive of why we give. God looks at the motive. Sometimes we do things that people might not be happy about. Sometimes we say things that people might be interpreting differently. Motives are very important. They explain why you do something and why you don't.

The first motive for giving is to be enriched. Bakit ka nagbibigay? Ano ang iyong motibo? Intelligent human beings like us should know our motive. The first motive of giving is to be enriched more and more by God. Why? The very nature of God is giving. Araw-araw, ang Diyos ay nagbibigay. Hindi Siya tumitigil magbigay sapagkat ang pinaka-nature ng Diyos ay magbigay. That is the reason why even God is searching for people who has the same motive. Actually, Christians are called to give sacrificially to meet the needs of people. Other than that motive, you're not giving.

"THE FIRST MOTIVE OF GIVING IS TO BE ENRICHED MORE AND MORE BY GOD."



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"KAPAG TAMA ANG MOTIVE MO, YOU ARE NOT LOOKING ON THE KIND OF MINISTRY, BUT YOU ARE LOOKING SPECIFICALLY ON How god can use you."

In Matthew 19:16-22, which tells the story of the rich young man, Jesus told him to sell everything he has and follow Him. Because if he does that, he would have treasures in heaven. Why did Jesus give him such crucial and critical suggestions? First of all, because Jesus knows his heart. It is because most of us will do something and will not do the rest.

Human beings like us have limitations. One time, I met a person saying, 'Pastor, gagawin ko ang lahat ng bagay sa ministry pero huwag lang ang magbigay.' Sabi ko, 'Saan mo nabasa sa Bible iyan?' There are people who have their own mindset even before they enter the ministry.

Jesus caught the motives of the young rich man. Most of the time, the reason why many of us cannot enter ministries is because we are being hindered by many things in this world. Of course, having resources is good, but if your resources are the hindrance for you to do ministry, then something is wrong. Katulad ng young rich man, gusto niyang umakyat sa langit pero nasa kaniya pa rin ana self-centeredness.

God is able to make all grace abound and overflow towards us. When we talk about how God is able, everybody agrees. There are things in life that we have to understand. Of course, we have to give people time to evaluate. That's the reason why in the early days, karamihan sa mga nagiging leader ng church ay ang mga matatanda kasi retired na raw sila. Wala na silang gagawin. Sila na ang dadalhin sa church at maglilingkod. Actually, dapat hindi. Ang church na ang maglilingkod sa kanila.

Serve the Lord as young as you are. You can. Ang akala ng marami, ang paglilingkod sa Diyos ay kalugihan. Mayroon tayong ganoong uri ng mindset na kapag naglingkod tayo sa Panginoon, wala tayong mapapala. Which is not true. God is able

to pay us back what we give. Mayroon pang assurance na hindi ka pupunta sa impyerno.

Let me ask you a question, nakakasawa ba ang paggawa ng mabuti? Nakakasawa iyan kapag ang motive mo ay hindi tama. Kapag tama ang motive mo, you are not looking on the kind of ministry, but you are looking specifically on how God can use you. If you have a good motive, all good things go back to you. Sa lahat ng ginagawa natin araw-araw, isa lang ang kailangan natin-we need God's favor.

God expects the believers to give sacrificially. You cannot work in the ministry without giving sacrificially, so that believers may abound to every good work. Everything you do in the ministry is beyond sacrificial. It has to be very clear that our motives in giving should be sacrificial so that we can go about every good work.

"OUR MOTIVES IN GIVING SHOULD BE SACRIFICIAL SO THAT WE CAN GO ABOUT EVERY GOOD WORK."

Kaya kayo ilalagay ng Diyos sa ministry kasi kayo muna ang pagpapalain. Alam ng Diyos na hindi kayo magagamit kung hindi muna kayo pagpapalain. I was blessed before God can use me. I was being taught by God before He can use me. God cannot use a person without giving him a blessing first, without giving him the anointing first, and without giving him the knowledge and the wisdom. In helping the poor and the needy, pagno ka makakatulong sa poor and the needy kung ikaw mismo ay kulang pa? God gave us wisdom and opportunities. And the grace and favor that abound in you all begin with your heart. Once you make your commitment to the Lord, sabihin natin, 'Lord, gusto kong maglingkod.' Kung may sakit ka, pagagalingin ka. You are giving God the reason to live. You are telling God, 'Please extend my life because my life that will be extended will be used for the glory of Your Kingdom.'

Isaiah 6:3 (NKJV)

And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!"

The Parable of the Talents

By UCF Pastors | Bible Study on the Air with Rev. Dr. William Sy (Season 9, Episode 1)

Matthew 25:14-30 (NKJV)

14"For the kingdom of heaven is like a man traveling to a far country, who called his own servants and delivered his goods to them. 15And to one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one, to each according to his own ability; and immediately he went on a journey. 16Then he who had received the five talents went and traded with them, and made another five talents. 17And likewise he who had received two gained two more also. 18But he who had received one went and dug in the ground, and hid his lord's money. 19After a long time the lord of those servants came and settled accounts with them. 20"So he who had received five talents came and brought five other talents, saving, 'Lord, you delivered to me five talents; look, I have gained five more talents besides them.' 21His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.' 22He also who had received two talents came and said, 'Lord, you delivered to me two talents; look, I have gained two more talents besides them.' 23His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.' 24"Then he who had received the one talent came and said, 'Lord, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you have not sown, and gathering where you have not scattered seed. 25 And I was afraid, and went and hid your talent in the ground. Look, there you have what is yours.' 26"But his lord answered and said to him, 'You wicked and lazy

servant, you knew that I reap where I have not sown, and gather where I have not scattered seed. 27So you ought to have deposited my money with the bankers, and at my coming I would have received back my own with interest. ²⁸So take the talent from him, and give it to him who has ten talents. 29'For to everyone who has, more will be given, and he will have abundance; but from him who does not have, even what he has will be taken away. 30 And cast the unprofitable servant into the outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

Introduction

After reading the parable of the talents, it gets into my mind and I ask myself, what type of God's servant am I?

I begin to ask myself

- Which servant group do I belong to?
- What type of God's worker am I?

Matthew 25:13 (NKJV)

Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour in which the Son of Man is coming.

Jeremiah 42:11 (ESV)

Do not fear the king of Babylon, of whom you are afraid. Do not fear him, declares the Lord, for I am with you, to save you and to deliver you from his hand.

Why is the church so weak today?

The church nowadays has trusted in the wisdom and the abilities of man rather than in the Word and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

The fear of the Lord is nowhere to be found today, but instead the fear of material things and self-centeredness are the common things seen in many church practices. They fear sicknesses and diseases, rather than trusting God for His purpose and healing works.

Isaias 41:10 (MBBTAG)

Ako'y sasaiyo, huwag kang matakot, For God has not given us a spirit of

Ako ang iyong Diyos, hindi ka dapat mangamba. Palalakasin kita at tutulungan, iingatan at ililigtas.

Mga Hebreo 10:25 (MBBTAG)

Huwag nating kaliligtaan ang pagdalo sa ating mga pagtitipon, gaya ng nakasanayan ng iba. Sa halip, palakasin natin ang loob ng isa't isa, lalo na ngayong nakikita nating malapit na ang Araw ng Panginoon.

People begin to thwart their faith in human logic and reasoning, rather than trusting God's Word. People begin to look for an alternative ministry, rather than trusting the Holy Spirit to direct their ministry

Mateo 5:13 (MBBTAG)

Kayo ang asin ng sangkatauhan. Ngunit kung ang asin ay mawalan na ng alat, paano pa ito mapapaalat muli? Hindi ba wala na itong kabuluhan kundi ang itapon at tapakan ng mga tao?

Matthew 7:17 (NKJV)

Even so, every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit.

2 Corinthians 5:7 (NKJV)

For we walk by faith, not by sight.

Santiago 2:14 (MBBTAG)

Mga kapatid, ano ang pakinabang kung sabihin ng isang tao na siya'y may pananampalataya, ngunit hindi naman niya ito pinapatunayan sa gawa? Maililigtas ba siya ng ganoong uri ng pananampalataya?

Hebrews 11:6 (NKJV)

But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

Matthew 6:21 (NKJV)

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

2 Timothy 1:7 (NKJV)

fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.

Acts 5:29 (NKJV)

But Peter and the other apostles answered and said: "We ought to obey God rather than men."

Bible Reference

Daniel 3:16-28 (Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego)

Mateo 16:25 (MBBTAG)

Ang naghahangad na magligtas ng kanyang buhay ay mawawalan nito; ngunit ang mawalan ng kanyang buhay alang-alang sa akin ay magkakamit nito.

Marcos 8:38 (MBBTAG)

"Kapag ikinahiya ninyo Ako at ang aking mga salita sa harap ng mga taksil at makasalanang mga tao sa panahong ito, ikakahiya rin kayo ng Anak ng Tao pagparito Niya na taglay ang dakilang kapangyarihan ng Kanyang Ama, at kasama ang mga banal na anghel."

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.

1 Juan 5:13 (MBBTAG)

Isinusulat ko ito sa inyo upang malaman ninyo na kayong sumasampalataya sa Anak ng Diyos ay may buhay na walang hanggan.

Challenge

Let us be reminded of the most important duty and responsibility of man.

- Keep His commandments.

Ecclesiastes 12:13-14 (NKJV)

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

Exodus 34:6 (NKJV)

And the Lord passed before him and proclaimed, "The Lord, the Lord God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abounding in goodness and truth."



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Dapat maintindihan natin ang Salita ng Panginoon. Nasaan ang treasure mo? Kung nasaan ang puso mo, nandoon ang treasure mo. Kung mahal mo ang Panginoon, gagalaw ka para sa Kaniya.

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

Sa ating buhay bilang Kristiyano, patuloy tayong gumawa sa Panginoon na walang takot at walang pag-aalala. Patuloy nating i-share ang Word kasi tayo ay mga katiwala ng Diyos sa mundong ito. Tayo ay bahagi ng Kaniyang Gospel.

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



noon.

It is because of faith that we believe in God, and we have to do something. Iyan ang pamantayan na nailagay sa puso natin na kung tayo talaga ay naniniwala sa Diyos, mayroong paraan ang Diyos para ang paglilingkod ng isang Kristiyano ay magpatuloy.

> Rev. William G. Sy, ThM, CEdD, EdD Host (Head Pastor)





Kung may ipinagkatiwala ang Diyos sa iyo, ibig sabihin ay mayroon kang dapat gawin. Hindi tayo binigyan ng buhay para lamang sa sarili natin kasi mahalaga na makita natin na ang buhay na ibinigay ng Diyos para sa atin, kung saan mismong si Hesus ay namatay sa krus, ay mayroong kahulugan.

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Umaasa ang ibang church sa sarili nilang abilidad at sa sarili nilang kakayahan. Hindi sila umaasa sa pananampalataya nila sa Panginoon dahil iyon ang magbibigay ng kalakasan sa ating faith. Ngayon, kung aasa ka sa sarili mo, talagang hindi ka magpo-prosper.

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Tandaan natin na sa ating paggawa sa Panginoon ay kasama natin Siya. Ang Panginoon ang magbibigay sa atin ng abilidad at mga tamang salita na ating idedeklara para makakuha tayo ng kaluluwa para sa Kaniya.

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Psalm 18:30 (NKJV)

This God—His way is perfect; the Word of the Lord proves true; He is a shield for all those who take refuge in Him.

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Bakit ka tinawag ng Diyos? You are called by God with a purpose. Ang Diyos dapat ang makinabang sa iyo.

Nang ibinigay ni Hesus ang buhay Niya para sa atin, wala Siyang hininging kapalit.

Gusto ng Diyos na ikaw ay magningning at makita ng iba ang iyong ilaw.



Rev. Dr. James Sy UCF ADMINISTRATIVE PASTOR | MAY 7, 2022



The practice of fasting is essentially giving up food (or another worldly habit) for a period of time in order to better focus your thoughts and attention on God. Fasting is usually joined by prayer in the Bible accounts of those who fast. In the Old Testament, fasting was common in grieving (2 Samuel 12:15-18) or repenting of sin (Joel 2:12-13). In the New Testament, fasting is recommended as a way to grow closer to God, much like we do in prayer. Similar to God's instructions on prayer, fasting is to be a personal discipline. Fasting is mentioned throughout the Bible, in both the Old Testament (written before Jesus' ministry, death, and resurrection) and the New Testament (written after). However, when Christians discuss fasting, two key passages often come up: one from the Old Testament, prophet Isaiah, and one from Jesus H imself. But neither of these passages gives us specifics on how to abstain from food. Rather, both focus on the heart of the person fasting.

In Isaiah 58, God sees the nation of Israel abstaining from food for a day in order to seek help from God, justice for Israel, and judgment on those who have oppressed Israel. However, the help does not come, and the people complain. God turns the tables on Israel, pointing out how the Israelites are oppressing their own people. Employers withhold pay from the workers, and the people act violently toward each other. Through Isaiah, God tells the people that He doesn't want them to go a day without food; He wants them to abstain from the ways they have oppressed one another.

The Israelites are merely putting on a show of fasting for God without truly following Him. Likewise, when Jesus instructs His followers on how to fast, he tells them not to do so for show. Christians shouldn't fast in order to look pious or righteous. Fasting is a practice of humbling yourself before God (Matthew 6:16-18).

John 14:6 (NKJV)

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

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Colossians 1:15-16 (NKJV)

¹⁵He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. ¹⁶For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him.

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believers to endure, to persevere, and to focus more on our heavenly rewards that are far greater than this world can offer.

Hebrews 11:32-40 (NKJV)

32And what more shall I say? For the time would fail me to tell of Gideon and Barak and Samson and Jephthah, also of David and Samuel and the prophets: 33who through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, 34quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, became valiant in battle, turned to flight the armies of the aliens. 35Women received their dead raised to life again. Others were tortured, not accepting deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection. 36Still others had trial of mockings and scourgings, yes, and of chains and imprisonment. ³⁷They were stoned, they were sawn in two, were tempted, were slain with the sword. They wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented— 38 of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, in dens and caves of the earth. 39And all these, having obtained a good testimony through faith, did not receive the promise, 40God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us.

Challenge

Let us walk by faith, not by sight.

WHY READ THE BOOK OF JOB?

patriarchal period, the Book of Job sovereignty. It tells a story of a man Satan inflict suffering to Job, only that living in the land of Uz named Job who is blameless and upright, the evil. A time came when God talked to Satan about Job's righteous living, telling him there is none like him came and Satan once again inflicted

Known as one on the earth. Satan challenged the the wisdom statement and told God that Job literatures of the is only righteous for He provides Bible set in the everything for Him. If He takes all of His blessings away from him, then deals with a question of faith in God's Job will surely curse Him. God let

And then, Job had lost everythingone who feared God and shunned his wealth and his family. Still, he held fast to his integrity. He still worshiped God after that happened. Another day

he is not allowed to kill him.

suffering on Job. He struck Job with painful boils from head to toe. Job still held on to his integrity even when his wife told him to curse God to end it all. God asked and challenged Job yet in the end, he responded with humility and repentance. Then, the Lord restored all of Job's losses and He gave him twice as much as he had before.

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