

VOICE OF THE VISION

DESTINY OF The Believer



Hebrews 9:27-28 (NKJV)

²⁷And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment,
²⁸so Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many. To those who eagerly wait for Him He will appear a second time, apart from sin, for salvation.

Introduction

There are two places mentioned in the Bible where an individual goes when he dies—heaven or hell. There was no mention about “purgatory” and no Scripture about “paradise”, which Christ may be referring to as a place, thus, heaven figuratively. The Bible also mentioned “Hades”, which is a place of torment, thus, “hell”. So every individual, when he dies, he either goes to heaven or hell. Where is your destiny?

A true Christian should know, before leaving the earth, where he or she is going; that heaven is the place to go, but only when one believes and shows faith in the living God.

I. Assurance of Salvation

Assurance of salvation means being confident that when you die suddenly or by normal course, you will immediately go to heaven.

John 10:28-29

²⁸And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand. ²⁹My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of My Father's hand.

Basis of Assurance of Salvation

1. God's Word - the Bible

1 John 5:13

These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of God.

1 John 5:11-12

¹¹And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. ¹²He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life.

Temptation of Jesus

Matthew 4:4, 7, 10

⁴But He answered and said, “It is written, ‘Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.’”
⁷Jesus said to him, “It is written again, ‘You shall not tempt the Lord your God.’”

¹⁰Then Jesus said to him, “Away with you, Satan! For it is written, ‘You shall worship the Lord your God, and Him only you shall serve.’”

Joshua 1:8

This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate in it day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.

2. Changed Life - living in righteousness and holiness

2 Corinthians 5:17

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ,

he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.

1 John 3:14

We know that we have passed from death to life, because we love the brethren. He who does not love his brother abides in death.

Romans 6:14

For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but under grace.

Romans 12:1-2

¹I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service.
²And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

1 Corinthians 10:13

No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful,

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Proverbs 3:5-6
(NKJV)

⁵Trust in the Lord with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding; ⁶In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths.

WHY DO CHRISTIANS NEED COUNSEL?

As we received Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior, we all have that fulfillment and joy that overflow within us. But we are no exception in experiencing challenges, struggles, and trials that this world gives which sometimes make us weak and feeling disappointed. In our Christian walk, it is very important that we are guided by our leaders and our pastors. In all such situations, let our lives be an open book through counseling so we can walk uprightly. Here are the benefits of counseling for us as Christians.



COUNSELING GIVES US WISDOM.

"But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy."

James 3:17 (NKJV)

We all have our own knowledge and interpretation which sometimes lead to doing things on our own. With all the things that we have learned from this world, we think that we can do it on our own might. But as Christians, we need the wisdom that comes from above. Let us seek counsel from a man of God who will talk to us and advise us with no partiality and no judgment. This wisdom leads us to making the right decision in accordance to the will of the Lord.

"I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will guide you with My eye."

Psalms 32:8 (NKJV)

COUNSELING LEADS US TO THE WAY WE SHOULD GO.



There is no better instruction than that which comes from the Lord. Counseling is given to lead us into making sound decisions as children of God, avoiding mistakes that will prolong our growth in the ministry. With counseling, we can prevent ourselves from falling into the enemy's trap.



COUNSELING IS FOR OUR OWN SAFETY.

"Where there is no counsel, the people fall; But in the multitude of counselors there is safety."

Proverbs 11:14 (NKJV)

When no one is there to teach us or lead us, we fall into our own decisions, become tired, and eventually stop what we are doing. We are filled with the thoughts of failures after failures. Let us bravely open up our situation and seek counsel. Give no chance for the enemy to get a hold of us. The more that we shut our mouth and our heart, the more that the enemy rejoices. Let us not give the enemy a second to rejoice, but let us give every second of our lives to God whose ways and thoughts are higher than ours. Counseling is not to emphasize where we have gone wrong, but it is to acknowledge our weakness and surrender it to our faithful God.

"Ang counseling ay nakapagbibigay sa atin hindi ng opinyon ng tao kung hindi ay opinyon ng Diyos dahil galing ito sa Salita ng Diyos. Kapag kasi nalilito tayo, maaaring kung anu-ano na lang na kaisipan ang ini-entertain natin. Nakakalimutan natin ang Salita ng Diyos. Maaari rin na maging emosyonal na tayo o magamit natin ang Salita ng Diyos sa sarili nating interpretasyon na naman. **Ang counseling na galing sa pastor ay nakakatulong sa**

atin na ma-evaluate kung anoman ang sitwasyon. Makakatulong sa atin ito na hindi tayo magkamali.

Kasi mahirap iyong nagkamali tapos babaguhin mo. Ang counseling ay para maiwasan mo ang mali. Mayroong wisdom iyon at mas nagiging maayos tayong tao in the face of many people or opinions. Iyon ang importante sa counseling. Kaya nga si Jesus ay tinawag na Counselor o tagapayo. Kapag kasi may problema ang tao, kung ano na lang minsan ang maisip. Ang payo ng pastor ay galing sa Salita ng Diyos kaya nanu-neutralize nito ang sitwasyon. As a result, mas nagiging maganda ang takbo ng buhay natin. Parang doktor iyan, bibigyan tayo ng mas magandang outlook sa buhay."



Rev. Dr. William G. Sy
UCF Head Pastor

If you seek counseling, approach **Sis. Karen Mohammad** for your schedule. It is the best time to ask your personal questions and seek advice that will help you in your Christian walk.

³Trust in the Lord, and do good; Dwell in the land, and feed on His faithfulness. ⁴Delight yourself also in the Lord, And He shall give you the desires of your heart. ⁵Commit your way to the Lord, Trust also in Him, And He shall bring it to pass.

Psalms 37:3-5
(NKJV)

— Pagsunod sa — Kalooban ng Diyos

Sa kalakasang nagmumula sa Panginoon ay walang makahahadlang na maisagawa ang iba't ibang gawain ayon sa Kaniyang kalooban. Kasama ang mga anak Niyang puno ng dedikasyon na nakikiisa sa paggawa ng panambahan sa Mt. Tabor Church Re-Creation Center, patuloy ang konstruksiyon nito bawat linggo at kakikitaan ng unti-unting pagtatapos.

Matapos ang pagpalitada ng sahig sa nakaraang linggo ay kasalukuyan na ring natapos ang pag-asintada ng mga pader at pagkabit ng mga *truss* at *tubular steel* na siyang pagkakabit ng bubong sa pamamagitan ng pagtutulungan ng mga boluntaryo at manggagawa. Sa pangunguna ni Punong Pastor Rev. Dr. William Sy ay naisasakatuparan ang plano ng Diyos sa pagtatayo ng simbahang ito na mayroong layuning magdala ng mga kaluluwa sa paanan ng Diyos. Kaya naman, ngayong buwan hanggang sa buwan ng Agosto ay inaasahan ang kabuuang pagtatapos ng panambahan na dadaluhan ng mga taong magpupuri at sasamba sa Kaniya.

Tunay na walang imposible sa Panginoon dahil sa Kaniyang pagsama at sa mga anak Niyang inilalagak ang pananampalataya sa Kaniya. Patunay ito na ang Diyos ay buhay dahil sa mga lingkod Niyang tinawag ng Diyos at patuloy na lumalakad sa Kaniyang kalooban. Mataas na papuri sa Iyo, o Diyos!



Inihanda rin ang mga yerong gagamitin para sa bubong ng panambahan na siyang sisimulan sa susunod na linggo.



Ang kapatiran ay maligayang bumisita at boluntaryong tumulong sa konstruksiyon ng panambahan.



Tinaasan na rin ang mga pader ng panambahan. Mainit man ang panahon ngunit patuloy pa rin sa paggawa upang mapabilis ang pagtatapos nito.



Sinimulan din ang paglalagay ng semento sa entablado.



Tumulong naman ang ilang manggagawa sa pagpapala at paghahakot ng graba.



BIBLE STUDY

Tuloy-tuloy ang pag-akay ng mga kaluluwa ng mga lingkod ng Diyos sa pamamagitan ng lingguhang *Bible study*. Dito, sila ay nagbabahagi ng Salita ng Diyos upang ang mga nawawalang tupa ay makabalik at makalapit sa kawan ng ating Panginoong Hesus. Kasama ang iba rin nating kapatiran, kanila namang ibinahagi ang kanilang patotoo ng kabutihan ng Diyos sa kanilang buhay. Naghanda rin ng masasarap na pagkain na masayang pinagsaluhan ng lahat.



HOUSE VISITATION

Ang mga anak ng Diyos ay patuloy na nag-aanyaya at bumibisita sa iba't ibang tahanan sa Barangay Casile upang dumalo sa isinasagawang *Bible study* tuwing Martes. Kanila ring nakakapanayam ang mga pamilya upang kumustahin, makapagbahagi ng kalakasang mula sa Diyos at maipanalangin sila upang maranasan din nila ang makapangyarihang pagkilos ng Panginoon.



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

John 14:1
(NKJV)

PAGSAAYOS NG LUGAR

Noong nakaraang Sabado naman, Hulyo 1, ang ilang manggagawa ay nagsagawa ng *general cleaning* sa kusina upang maging mas maaliwalas ito at kagamit-gamit. Samantala, ang ilan naman ay nagtabas ng mga halaman sa harapan ng Mt. Tabor bilang preparasyon sa pagkakabit ng tarpaulin dito. At nitong Sabado, Hulyo 8, ay naikabit na ang tarpaulin upang ipaalam ang iskedyul ng isinasagawang Bible study rito.



Purihin ang Panginoon sa Kaniyang patuloy na pagpapalago sa ministryong ipinagkatiwala Niya!



DANCE CLINIC FEATURE

Training future dancers for the Lord

Summer vacation is finally here and there is no greater opportunity for children to spend a productive vacation than to develop and enhance their God-given gifts and talents.

The Lord has created mankind uniquely and each of us is given different gifts and talents that we can use, especially in giving praises and worship unto the Lord. Through the UCF Dance Clinic, students are taught different techniques and styles of dancing so that they can gracefully move their bodies not only to the beat of music but also with expression and confidence. The dance instructors are all the more excited as they share their knowledge and skills in dancing.

The Dance Clinic sessions are conducted every Tuesdays and Thursdays. Although classes have already started last July 4, Tuesday, registration is still on-going. Make the most out of your children's vacation. Enroll them in the UCF Dance Clinic now!

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**Psalm 20:7
(NKJV)**

Some trust in chariots, and some in horses; But we will remember the name of the Lord our God.

Sunday Worship Service HIGHLIGHTS

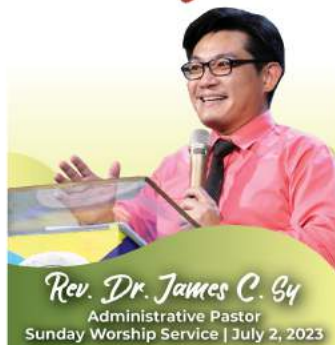
"Ang identity natin ay kapag ang Holy Spirit ay nasa sa atin."

"Hindi ipapakita ng Diyos ang kaharian Niya kapag ang gusto mo ay gusto mo."

"Ang buhay natin ay isa lang. Mamili ka: buhay na kasama ang Diyos o buhay na hiwalay sa Diyos?"

"If you are carnally minded, you cannot please God. If the Holy Spirit is within you, your spiritual eyes will be opened."

"Paano ka pagyayamanin ng Diyos? Kapag nilagay ng Diyos ang Espiritu Niya sa iyo, it is He who gives you the power to get wealth."



UPCOMING 2023 PROGRAMS

SEPTEMBER

MEDICAL MISSION

Coordinator:
Sis. Karen Mohammad



OCTOBER 6

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Coordinator:
Sis. Nerissa Estrellado



DECEMBER 17

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

Coordinator:
Sis. Liezle Ala



FRUIT OF THE Spirit

You can also open your Bible to help you find the answers.



Fill in the crossword puzzle with the words missing from the statements. The first three to answer correctly will get a free bookmark and pencil.
Present your VOV copy to Sis. Aira Tolentino.

Across

- Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, _____. (1 Timothy 6:11, ESV)
- Hebrew name for the Holy Spirit
- Love is _____ and kind. (1 Corinthians 13:4, ESV)
- The Lord is gracious and merciful; slow to anger and great in loving _____. (Psalm 145:8, NASB 1995)
- A Hebrew name of God

Down

- Do the best you can to live in _____ with everyone. (Romans 12, NLT)
- "You shall _____ your neighbor as yourself." (Mark 12:31, ESV)
- Great is your _____. (Lamentations 3:23, ESV)
- "Rather, he must be hospitable, one who loves what is good, who is _____, upright, holy and disciplined." (Titus 1:8, NIV)
- Book of the Bible where Paul mentions the fruit of the Spirit
- The Lord is _____, a stronghold in the day of trouble. (Nahum 1:7, ESV)
- Your statutes are my heritage forever; they are the _____ of my heart. (Psalm 119:111, ESV)

³You will keep him in perfect peace, Whose mind is stayed on You, Because he trusts in You.
⁴Trust in the Lord forever, For in Yah, the Lord, is everlasting strength.

Isaiah 26:3-4
(NKJV)

Destiny of the...

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who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it.

3. Witness of the Holy Spirit

Romans 8:16

The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God.

Galatians 4:6

And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying out, "Abba, Father!"

Ephesians 5:18

And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit.

Luke 11:13

"If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!"

II. Hindrances to Salvation

1. Lust of the Flesh

It is defined as a form of worldliness driven by the desires for worldly, selfish pleasures, which draw our lusts away from God and ultimately lead to death.

Lust is an intense desire for an object or circumstance like money, power, sexuality, etc.

Ephesians 2:3

Among whom also we all once conducted ourselves in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, just as the others.

2. Lust of the Eyes

Lust of the eyes is the sinful desire to possess what we see or to have those things which have visual appeal.

Exodus 20:17

"You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his male servant, nor his female servant, nor his ox, nor his donkey, nor anything that is your neighbor's."

3. Pride of Life

It is anything that is of the world, having anything that leads to arrogance, ostentation, pride in itself, presumption, and boasting. It is anything that comes from the world.

1 John 2:15

Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of

the Father is not in him.

Examples of pride of life:

Genesis 3 – Temptation in the Garden of Eden

Matthew 4 – Temptation of Jesus in the wilderness

Conclusion

Hebrews 9:27

And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment.

1 John 5:11-12

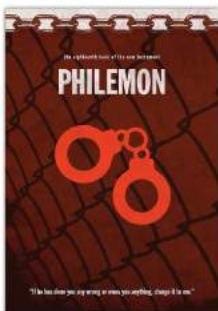
"And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. ¹²He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life.

Challenge

Do you know where you are going to?

To God be the Glory!

WHY READ THE BOOK OF PHILEMON?



The letter that Paul wrote to Philemon reminds us that God's love and forgiveness are not limited. As a believer, Paul's message to Philemon was simple: to live on the basis of love as God's principle (1:8-9). So Paul made a request to him that he forgive Onesimus, who is Philemon's slave.

Paul urged him that as God showed love and mercy to him, he should also show forgiveness and compassion to his old slave who committed a fault to him before (1:17-18). And as a believer, he should accept him as a brother in Christ and treat him as more than a slave (1:15-16).

This letter to Philemon illustrates the beauty of God's love that believers must have for their fellow believers and how it greatly affects the everyday lives of His children.

SERMON NOTES

Write the points to remember from the sermon as you seek God in your life.

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