

To Live Church, is Christ

21 For to me, to live is Christ.

Philippians 1:21 NKJV

FCI Faith Group Program

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BOOK OF PETER (PART 10) – THE WORD OF GOD

- Jesus said man shall not live by bread alone but by every word of God.
- The devil was tempting Jesus to do something, to change the stone to bread. So bread also represents the work of man.
- Our life is not only about our work or what we do or eat, nor is it about what we can do. Our life and living is by every word of God.
- Here in FCI family, we live by every Word of God. And we produce good works as a result of His grace.
- Every Word of God is so important. This is the Word of God not man's words.
- It is so sad when you don't live or walk by what Christ has done because you live by the word of man and not the Word of God.
- *Dito sa FCI, lahat ng mensahe natin ay tungkol sa gawa ni Kristo. Kaya yung natatanggap natin dito ay i-share din natin sa mga fellow believers.*
- To live is Christ for we live by the Word of God who is Jesus Christ.
- **1 Peter 1:22-25** – We heard the gospel from the Word of God. And since the Word is incorruptible seed, *ito ay naitanim sa puso natin. Kaya nagkaroon tayo ng bagong spirito.* And the Spirit of God "mingled" and became one with us. It's called a new spirit and this is what you call the New Creation.
- Since we have purified our souls (mind, will, and emotion) in obeying the truth (the Word of God).
- Purified *na* (perfect tense, done deal) *ang* souls *natin* by the Word.
- Declare: "Pure *ang* *aking* soul. *Ito ay malinis na.*"
- *Malinis na ang* soul mo, child of God!
- Know this: Evil thoughts, worldly thoughts *na dumadaan sa isip mo* are not from you.
- As far as the Word is concerned, we have purified our souls by the obedience to the truth by the Spirit.
- So what do you do? Just reject it! Rebuke it.
- See yourself from the eyes of God. This is God's narrative and description of you.
- Declare: "*Malinis na ang aking kaluluwa (kaisipan, kalooban, at emosyon).*"
- Right believing causes right living and it starts from the Word of God.
- New Creation. New description through God's good opinion of you.
- His Word is what cleansed us when we received it by faith. (**John 15:3**)
- *Hindi nako-corrupt ang* Word of God so forever *ka ng malinis!*
- Declare: "I am already clean by the Word of God, by the Word of Jesus!"
- *Paano natin nagawa na i-purify ang sarili natin?* By the Spirit. The Spirit of God is doing the work in us. He causes us to will and do the Word of God.
- **Philippians 2:13** – The Holy Spirit lives in you and causes you to will and to do good works.
- *Makinig at makinig lang tayo sa* gospel, and the grace of God and God Himself by His Spirit works in us to will and to do good works.
- The Holy Spirit with the Word of God is what empowered us to love one another sincerely. And yes, we are lovers already of one another.
- The Holy Spirit has shed abroad (*itinaktak*) the love of God in our hearts.
- See that you love one another. This is the work of God in us.
- *Galing ito sa* command *ni* Jesus in **John 13:34-35**.
- *Bago ka nagmahal ng iba (kapatiran), una kang minahal ng Diyos.*
- God's love: I love you just the way you are. And in His love, *dun tayo nagbabago.*

- Obvious *sa iba pag tayo ay nagmamahalan, na tayo ay kay Kristo*. Our love for one another makes it obvious we are disciples of the Lord Jesus. But if we bite one another, we will consume each other. We will destroy each other.
- *Pagdating sa magkakapatid sa Panginoon, mas bagay sa atin ang nagmamahalan kesa nagkakagatan o bangayan.*
- Jesus tells us how it should be with us. *Dahil may pag-ibig na tayo ni Kristo*, we also love one another.
- A loving person is one who is very much aware/conscious of Jesus' love for him/her.
- It is from Jesus, to us, to others.
- Focus on the love of Jesus for you and it will flow. God wants to unveil to you that you truly love one another because you have been born again. *Kaya ang pag-ibig mo sa kapwa ay tunay na sanhi ng pagiging* born again mo. You are not pretending. You are not just acting it out. You are not just playing Christian walk. *Hindi tayo nagpapanggap*. This is the truth about us. We now have genuine love for one another.
- To the world: God so loved the world, He gave His only begotten Son. *Kaya tayo rin*, we give them Jesus. We love them by sharing the Word to them through the many grace gifts we have received.
- Being born again is in the present passive. This is a verb phrase. This is not the name of an organization.
- *Hindi kumukupas ang pagiging* born again or born anew. *Laging* new and *laging* born again *tayo*. It is always present.
- It is also passive, meaning, we did not do the action. Someone did it for us. We all know it is God. How? By the preaching of the Word which is the incorruptible seed.
- Incorruptible – *hindi nabubulok*. It means forever.
- *Merong* forever! **Luke 21:33** – If the Word of God will not pass away, you and I who are born again will also not pass away. *May* forever *para sa mga* believers!
- Our spirit man, the real you and me, the new man which got born again is forever eternal. Why? Because our spirit man got born again by the incorruptible seed of the Word of God.
- We live forever!
- **John 6:63** – “The words that I speak to you are spirit, and they are life.” This is why we have a new spirit and new life in us. This is what we heard from the preaching of the gospel and what got us born again in spirit.
- The Word is powerful!
- The same Word that said, “Let there be light,” and there was light, is the same Word that made us alive in Christ.
- That is why we keep on hearing and hearing the powerful Word of God.
- Hear the Word and speak the Word. Speak the word over our lives, our situation, our loved ones.
- Hearing and hearing gives us confidence, boldness in the Word.
- Declare: “I am blessed. I am healthy. I am rich. I am made holy. I have all I need! My soul is purified.”
- The Word of God is powerful and when you speak it, things come to pass.
- The Word is the way, the truth, and the life, Jesus Christ who is our life.
- **Proverbs 4:20-22** – give attention = focus = be sober.
- When you find the Word, it is life to you.
- You want many good days? Depart from speaking evil/deceit/lies.
- Come from the Word of God not your thoughts.

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- Born of God, live by the Word of God!
- The word health in verse 22 means medicine in Hebrew.
- Life and health or medicine to our flesh. We thank God for His Word!
- Find someone who agrees with your faith for there is power in agreement. Agree in the Word of God and declare the Word of God.
- Conclusion of 1 Peter 1:
 - The blood of Jesus washed our sins and sanctified our spirit.
 - The Word of God washed our souls and made it pure.
 - The Word of God changes our situations for good!