

To Live is Christ

21 For to me, to live is Christ.

Philippians 1:21 NKJV

FCI Faith Group Program

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OUR UNSHAKABLE CONFIDENCE IN CHRIST (MESSAGE BY BRO. BOB LUBIRAN)

- **1 Corinthians 15:58 TPT** – So now, beloved ones, stand firm, stable, and enduring. Live your lives with an **unshakable confidence**. We know that we prosper and excel in every season by serving the Lord, because we are assured that our union with the Lord makes our labor productive with fruit that endures.
- Paul wrote this for the Corinth believers. Corinth was a city like an international metropolis filled with people from different backgrounds. They were prominent idol worshippers, lived amidst sexual immorality. They were full of pride, abused or did not use properly their spiritual gifts. Paul covered the different issues of Corinthians, he also taught on marriage and singleness, freedom in Christ, significance of the Lord's supper/communion, importance of love, and the right gospel.
- Paul was encouraging and teaching the Corinthian believers to stand firm, steadfast, immovable and to live a life with unshakable confidence!
- **1. Our confidence is based on Christ and in His finished work – We are in the Right Gospel.**
- **1 Corinthians 15:1-4** – This is the right gospel God teaches us through Paul: The finished work of Christ at the cross! The gospel of Grace – the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus!
- *Binibigyan natin ng pansin at diin ang mensahe ng Krus ni Kristo! Dito natin lubos na mauunawaan si Kristo – Ang Biyaya ng Kaligtasan!*
- *May right gospel dahil may wrong gospel. (Ex. Social media)*
- *Dito sa FCI, tayo ay naturuan ng right gospel.*
- *Paano natin mache-check kung yung ipo-post natin ay umaayon sa right gospel? Answer: Dapat ito ay nakaturo sa tinapos na gawa ni Kristo sa Krus!*
- *Huwag daw po tayong tatanggap ng ibang gospel. Tayo po na naturuan ng tama ayon sa aral ng tinapos na gawa ni Kristo sa Krus. Natutunan po natin kamakailan ang:*
 - 1. Grace in marriage for the wife and the husband: Wife, submit to your husband. Husband, love your wife.
 - 2. We are on grace ground and we learned it is not about the “doing” or the works of the law.
 - 3. The just shall live by faith. You say: “Father, thank You, I believe I am still the righteousness of God because of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. His blood paid for all my sins. I am still blessed, I am still holy and pure, I am a child of God.”
 - 4. *Natutunan natin yung purpose of marriage!*
 - 5. Marriage is a life of acceptance, adjustment, and lots of understanding and patience. But it is worth it. Marriage is beautiful by the grace of God.
 - 6. Chaste conduct (exciting reverence) with fear of the Lord may win over your husband/wife.
 - 7. Husbands, as Jesus cleanses us by the preaching of the Word, you can do the same to your wife by sanctifying her cleansing her by the Word. Speak life to her, speak good words, praise her, no condemnation or judgement!
 - 8. We have lots of learning here at FCI.
 - 9. Mostly the message of the cross!
- **Galatians 1:8** – If anyone preaches any other gospel to you than what you have received, let him be accursed. – This warns us as Pastora did!

- Sa right gospel, we are on the right track.
- *Kung ang pinapakinggan mo na pangaral ay si Kristo ay tao lang, hindi napako, hindi namatay, propeta lang, nakatatandang kapatid lang natin at hindi siya Panginon o hindi nabuhay na muli – wrong gospel yan.*
- But thanks be to God, *ang FCI ay nasa RIGHT TRACK. Dahil nasa RIGHT GOSPEL tayo!* The Gospel of Grace!
- *Hindi ka matitinag ng ibang gospel. May confidence ka na kay Kristo ang pundasyon ko. Nasa tamang gospel ako.*
- *Alam mo that through the finished work of Christ you are: Forgiven, blessed and highly favored, healed, strong and victorious, you are complete, with the mind of Christ, righteous, with the mind of Christ, beloved. No fear, not a worrier, not under the law.*
- KNOWING THIS: *Tayo ay may unshakable confidence dahil naturuan tayo ng tamang Gospel! Gospel of Grace: Finished work of Christ: His death, burial, and resurrection and that is what we preach here!*
- **1 Corinthians 15:58 TPT** – we are assured that our union with the Lord makes our labor productive with fruit that endures. – *Nagbubunga na ang biyaya sa buhay natin!*
- **2. We have the Resurrection power of Jesus in us.**
- Because Christ was risen from the dead. *Hindi kumpleto ang lahat kung hindi nabuhay si Jesus!*
- **1 Cor. 15:14,17** – And if Christ is not risen, then our preaching is empty and your faith is also empty/futile. Futile: (*Fyoo-tl*) pointless, useless, worthless, ineffective.
- Because of His resurrection, we have unshakable confidence.
- **John 11:25-26** – We will not experience spiritual death anymore. We are safe in union with Christ.
- The moment *na na-born again ka, may eternal life ka na.*
- **Romans 8:11** – This speaks about the resurrection. – That is how powerful the Holy Spirit is! *Napakamakapangyarihan ng banal na Espiritu!* The moment *na nagkaron ka ng pakikikisa kay Kristo, nasa iyo na ang banal na Espiritu!* Declare: “I have the spirit of God in me!”
- **Ephesians 1:19-21** – and what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the **working of His mighty power.**
- **3. Because Christ is coming.**
- The Rapture and future resurrection – **1 Corinthians 15:51-52.**
- **Titus 2:11-14** – looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ.
- Our future resurrection is coming! (**1 Corinthians 15:53-55**)
- **4. Because we are more than conquerors in Christ.**
- Declare: “I am more than a conqueror!”
- **1 Corinthians 15:57-58** – He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.
- **John 16:33** – Jesus said, “be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.”
- **1 John 5:5** – He who overcomes is he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God.
- *Panalo ka na kay Kristo! Si Jesus ang Conqueror at tayo ang more than conquerors kaya unshakable ang confidence mo. May kumpyansa ka.*
- **5. Having this confidence, we are to share to others the right Gospel.**
- The Gospel of Christ’s finished work! GRACE! His Death, Burial and Resurrection!
- It’s time for us to share. *Lahat tayo ay tinawag ng Diyos upang magshare ng biyaya Niya sa ibang tao.*
- We are in the last of the last days so let us share the finished work of Jesus at the cross.

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which is based on Christ and in His finished work at the cross.
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because we are in the right gospel, we are on the right track!
We have the Resurrection power of Jesus in us
because He was risen from the dead.
And He is coming again!
We are more than conquerors in Him!
Having this confidence,
let us share the right gospel, the gospel of grace to others.
Let us share Jesus Christ and His finished work at the cross!
He is our unshakable confidence!