

Welcome to Church!

We are glad you chose to join us today to worship our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. We hope that your stay has been both meaningful and memorable.

Here are some activities going on with us!

Newcomers' Orientation

New to our church? We'd love to connect with you! Join us for a **Newcomers' Orientation** on **February 15, 2025**, at 7 PM at our Center. It's a great opportunity to learn more about us, meet new friends, and discover how you can get involved.

Women's Event

Ladies, join us for an inspiring **Women's Event** on **March 28, 2025!** Don't miss this opportunity to connect, recharge, and celebrate the unique bond we share as women of faith.

How can we pray for you?

It is a privilege to pray for you! You may send your prayer requests by text (0912 130 6148), by writing them on the prayer cards provided, or by sending us a private message on our FB page.

Discover life with our Small Groups.

Looking for deeper connections and a closer walk with God? Our small groups are where we cultivate meaningful relationships and grow in faith together. Want to join? Visit our Information Booth after the service to find the perfect group for you!

Stay for fellowship and refreshments.

Stick around after the service for coffee and connection! It's the perfect chance to meet some friendly faces, learn more about our small groups, and discover all that our church has to offer. We'd love to see you there!



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Worship God. Advance His Kingdom.

Schedules for Services:

English Service:

Morning 10:00 AM

Afternoon 01:00 PM

Cebuano Service:

Afternoon 04:00 PM

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WITH US!**

CALLED TO SOMETHING GREATER

The King Has Come: The Start of Something New (Series)
Pastor Nic Sy | February 9, 2025 | Mark 1:14-20

SERMON NOTES

I. THE CALL TO REPENT AND BELIEVE (Mark 1:14-15)

"repent" (μετανοέω | metanoéo) = "to turn around; to turn away from one thing and turn toward another thing."

"believe" (πιστεύω | pisteúō) = "to act upon something, to enter into it."

Believing is not just something you have; it's something you do. It's a call to live out your faith every day.

II. THE CALL TO FOLLOW JESUS (Mark 1:16-20)

Jesus' call is always personal.

The call to follow is first a call to walk with Jesus, to know him, to be with him.

Jesus doesn't call us to part-time discipleship. He calls us to surrender everything.

Faith is not about having all the answers — it's about trusting the One who is leading you.

III. THE CALL TO A GREATER MISSION (Mark 1:17)

Where did we get the idea that we could follow Jesus and not be on mission? When did we separate the gospel of going to heaven from the gospel of going into the world?

The gospel isn't just about Jesus and me; it's about Jesus and his mission.

Many people today aren't asking if Christianity is true; they're asking if Christianity is real.

ENDING THOUGHT.

The call of Jesus is an invitation into a life that is not defined by what we accomplish on our own, but by the incredible journey he leads us on.



SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE
For the week of February 10–16, 2025
“CALLED TO SOMETHING GREATER”

Getting Started

To the facilitator: Use this section to introduce the topic. If possible, give a brief recap of the sermon.

Share a memorable point, a spiritual lesson, a personal application, a question, or something that challenged you from the sermon last Sunday.

If you could instantly learn a new skill, what would it be and why?

Group Discussion

Read Mark 1:14-20

1. Read Matthew 4:18–22. How does Matthew's account of Jesus calling his first disciples compare to Mark's account?
2. What does Jesus' message in verse 15 tell us about the nature of God's kingdom? What might this phrase have meant to those hearing it at that time? How is the call still relevant today?
3. Jesus calls Simon and Andrew, then James and John, to follow him. What do we know about these men? What might have been going through their minds as they made this decision? If you were in their shoes, would you hesitate, or would you immediately obey? Why?
4. The disciples immediately leave their nets and families to follow Jesus. What does this act of obedience teach us about the cost of discipleship? Is it always necessary to leave everything behind to follow Jesus? How can we apply the principle of immediate obedience to our own lives?

5. Read Matthew 13:47–50 and Jeremiah 16:16. How do these passages inform your understanding of what Jesus means by “fishing for men”?

6. Jesus doesn't just call us to follow him; he calls us to be part of his greater mission. The phrase “fishers of men” implies a change of focus from fish to people. In what ways might God be calling you to shift your focus in life from being self-oriented to more kingdom-focused?

7. Do you see yourself as part of God's mission in the world? What are the “nets” in your life — things that might be holding you back from fully following Jesus or pursuing his calling for you?

Next Steps

The call of Jesus is an invitation into a life that is not defined by what we accomplish on our own, but by the incredible journey he leads us on.

- I will surrender fully to Jesus.
- I will spend time deepening my relationship with Jesus.
- I will identify and let go of the “nets” that prevents me from stepping into God's greater purposes.
- I will start living “on mission” today.
- I will say “yes” to what God calls me to do and not delay.

Closing the Session

Close the session by taking the time to pray for one another. Consider the following as you pray:

- Pray for courage to let go of anything that holds you back from following Jesus and embracing his mission fully.
- Pray for relationships to grow with other Christ-followers, that you will encourage and care for one another.
- Pray for your unsaved family, friends, and loved ones.
- Pray for protection, provision, healing and comfort for everyone who's going through physical, emotional, mental and spiritual pain.

BIBLE READING GUIDE

February 10 **Mark 1:14-20**
February 11 **Genesis 12:1-9**
February 12 **Luke 9:57-62**
February 13 **Exodus 3:7-12**
February 14 **2 Corinthians 5:17-21**
February 15 **Psalms 44:1-26**
February 16 **Matthew 6:31-34**