

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

We are a church that seeks to bring glory to God, to build the local church through discipleship and to fulfill the Great Commission.

Here are some activities going on with us!



Medical Mission 2026

Our annual Medical Mission in partnership with Cebu Doctors' University will be on **November 14, 2026 at 8am to 2pm** at the Northgate Center.

We are looking for volunteers: **counselors** (gospel sharers), **logistics** and **traffic control**. We will have a Volunteers' Orientation on November 7, 2025 at 10am.



How can we pray for you?

Inviting you to join our **Prayer Meeting, Tuesdays at 7PM**. You may **send your prayer requests** and **praise reports** by text (0912 130 6148), by writing them on the prayer cards provided, or by sending us a private message on our Facebook page.



Ways to give tithes and love gifts.

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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, our ministries, and discover all that our church has to offer. We'd love to see you there!



Free **Blood Pressure** and **Sugar Check-up**.

Encouraging those who wish to monitor their Blood Pressure & Blood Sugar levels to **avail of our free check-up**, happening **every after Sunday service**!

Welcome to Church!



LIVING WORD NRA

Worship God. Advance His Kingdom.

WHEN SELF BECOMES GOD

2 Timothy 3:1-9 | Oct 25, 2026 | Ptr. Tom Trono (Guest Speaker)

Sermon Notes

1. The Problem: When self becomes God (vv. 1-5)

- Loving self, money, pride, and pleasure more than God.
- Allowing selfish desires to shape our attitudes and behavior.

2. The Danger: Being led away from the truth (vv. 6-9)

- Recognizing false teachers and deceptive influences.
- Guarding our hearts, homes, and children.
- Remembering that Jesus Christ is the Truth.

3. The Response: Love God and follow Christ

- Deny yourself, take up your cross, and follow Jesus.
- Love God's Word and teach children to love God.
- Remain faithful to Christ, even when following him requires sacrifice.

Sunday Services

📅 **English** 10:00 AM & 1:00 PM

📅 **Cebuano** 4:00 PM

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"WHEN SELF BECOMES GOD"

SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

For the week of October 26-November 1, 2026

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.

What's one thing you enjoyed so much as a child that you would have gladly skipped your homework, chores, or even dinner for it?

GROUP DISCUSSION

Read 2 Timothy 3:1-9

1. Paul describes the kind of people who will characterize the last days (vv 1-4). What stands out to you about this list, and which attitudes do you think are most readily accepted or even celebrated in today's society? The list begins with "lovers of self" and ends with "lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God." How might these misplaced loves influence the other behaviors Paul describes? Why is it sometimes easier to recognize these attitudes in other people than in ourselves?

2. Read Matthew 6:19-24 and 1 Timothy 6:6-10. What do these passages teach us about the relationship between money, possessions, and our devotion to God? How can we tell when something good – such as financial security, career success, comfort, or recreation – has begun to take a place in our hearts that belongs to God alone? What godly choices can help us keep these things in their proper place?

3. Paul warns about people who have "the appearance of godliness, but denying its power." What do you think it means to appear godly outwardly while denying godliness in practice? How do we distinguish genuine spiritual transformation from merely maintaining a religious appearance? What are some ways we can cultivate an authentic walk with God rather than simply becoming good at looking like Christians?

4. In 2 Timothy 3:6-9, Paul describes deceptive teachers who exploit people and lead them away from the truth. What characteristics or methods of these teachers can you identify from the passage? Read Acts 17:10-11 and 1 John 4:1. What can we learn from the Bereans and John's instruction about evaluating what we hear, even when a teacher sounds convincing or uses Scripture? How can we practice biblical discernment without becoming unnecessarily suspicious or critical of everyone?

5. Verse 7 describes people who are "always learning and never able to arrive at a knowledge of the truth." How is it possible for someone to accumulate biblical knowledge without actually growing in spiritual maturity? What is the difference between knowing what the Bible says and allowing its truth to shape our lives?

6. Read Luke 9:23-25 and Mark 12:29-31. What does Jesus mean when he calls his followers to deny themselves and take up their cross daily, and how is this different from simply denying ourselves certain pleasures or comforts? How does loving God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength change the way we understand our desires, ambitions, and relationships?

NEXT STEPS

You cannot follow Jesus while insisting on being your own lord.

- **LOOK INWARD.** I will examine my heart for misplaced loves and hidden idols.
- **LOOK TO THE WORD.** I will read and obey Scripture rather than simply accept what the world teaches.
- **LOOK TO CHRIST.** I will remember his example of humility and self-denial when tempted to insist on my own way.
- **LIVE FOR GOD.** I will make choices that demonstrate my love for God above my love for comfort, success, or pleasure.

CLOSING THE SESSION

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

- Pray for a heart that loves God above all else, discerns and holds firmly to his truth, and faithfully follows Christ in humble obedience and self-denial.
- 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

October 26	2 Timothy 3:1-9	October 30	John 8:31-36
October 27	Genesis 3:1-7	October 31	Psalms 118:5-9
October 28	Daniel 4:28-37	November 1	Psalms 118:10-14
October 29	Proverbs 4:20-2		