

### Community Prayer

1. Every SG will be full of life to empower communities to grow daily.
2. For those who are sick in our communities
3. For smooth progress on the construction of the education building in God's grace to its completion
4. For the next generation and Chodae children and youth ministries (Education Department) to grow in faith
5. For missionary work of Chodae Community Church
6. For Adult education programs such as Disciple Class, One-to-One Training, and Workplace Ministry to progress smoothly in God's grace

### February Church Schedule

March 4 [Sun]	Communion Service
March 11 [Sun]	Daylight Saving Time Begins
March 25 [Sun]	Palm Sunday
March 26-31	Special early morning prayer service for Passion Week
March 30 [Fri]	Good Friday
April 1 [Sun]	Easter Sunday

## Putting God First

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### Boasting by God's Standard

2 Corinthians 10:12-18

### Announcements

1. 2018 church theme is "Putting God First."
2. Please use the following order for your SG service.  
2~3 praise songs / Representative Prayer / Scripture Reading / SG Sharing
3. Schedule for Community Bible Recitation & Praise:  
3/2- Community 19, 3/9- Community 20, 4/6- Community 22, 4/13- Community 23, 4/20- Community 24(향유)
4. Church-wide home visitation will start in March. Please request visitation through your small group leader.
5. Training for Family SG Services starts before regular SG training (The last Sunday of the month at 2:30pm, PJM room on the 2nd floor)
6. Make sure to submit SG meeting reports online after each meeting.
7. A study guide for a second SG meeting will be available in the lobby on second Sunday of every month.
8. Diaspora Ministry: Please notify your community designated pastor in advance if there are SG members who are leaving church due to move to other location.

## Boasting by God's Standard [2 Corinthians 10:12-18]

### Praise to the Lord

- 주 예수보다 더 귀한 것은 없네 (새찬송가 94)
- 나의 만족과 유익을 위해 (경배와 찬양 42)

**Focus I** False ministers make themselves high but true ministers only make God high.

**Opening Mind** Open your mind and briefly share your past week's life, QT, and/or thanksgiving.

**Opening Scripture** Read 2 Corinthians 10:12-18 together.

### Understanding Background

Paul was an apostle who received a calling for the mission to the Gentiles and pioneered Corinth church during a second mission trip. However, the Jews and false apostles infiltrated the Corinth church inconspicuously and opposed Paul. They criticized Paul saying he had a poor appearance and his sermon was horrible all the while boasting themselves. Corinthians being misled false apostles' words (2Corinthians 11:4), misjudged Paul as a foreign enemy. Towards this, Paul declared that self-praising is foolish and there is nothing to boast about oneself; But "Let him who boasts boast in the Lord."

### > Study

**1-1. Observation & Reflection** ] According to Paul, what standards were used to by the false apostles to praise themselves? And what is the outcome/result of their self-praising (v. 12)?

**1-2. Application & Sharing** ] What would be rooted psychologically in self-praising? What can you do to avoid such temptation?

**2-1. Observation & Reflection** ] What counsel does Paul provide to those apostles who falsely take credit for hard work performed by others as their own (v. 17~18)?

**2-2. Application & Sharing** ] what would be considered a healthy praise/boasting that's based on faith? And how can we apply it to our daily lives?

### > Key Points

It is foolish to raise our stature by using our own standards. Standards of disciples of Christ should be that of Jesus who obeyed by humbling/lowering himself even to death. False apostles criticized and attacked Paul by exposing his weaknesses. They tried to elevate their stature by snatching Paul's achievements/merits as their own. Elevating and boasting oneself stems from a great desire to be recognized by others. God is the one recognizes and praises our efforts. Eternal reward for disciples of Christ is not self-praise or praises from other people but God's recognition and praise. Those who wishes to boast should boast "in Christ" and for "the glory of God".

**Prayer through the Word** ] Everything in my life is by God's Grace. Please help me not to commit sin of self-boasting or taking credit for other people's work. Please allow Jesus to be my only joy and my praise.

**To Keep in the heart** ] But "Let him who boasts boast in the Lord" For it is not the one who commends himself who is approved, but the one whom the Lord commends." [2 Corinthians 10:17~18, ESV]