



21 Days of Prayer and Fasting

At the end of 2023 I was spending time in the presence of God asking for clarity on the days ahead. In years past, God has spoken a word for the coming years. Other times He has given me a vision for what He wants built or how He wants me to move.

This year it was different. God began to birth in my spirit a sense that He wants to bless the people in ways they may not yet understand. He began to talk to me about the opportunity for prosperity that only He could send but it was going to require us to seek it.

As children of God we don't have to run after blessings. What we need to do is recognize the leading of the Lord so we can walk in the favor He has for us.

As I leaned in to this season God was leading us into he spoke three words: Be Present, Look Back, Lean Forward.

So in this 21 Days of Prayer and Fasting for 2024 we are going to do just that. We aren't going to wrestle through a reading plan, or follow a devotional. We are going to learn to meditate on God.

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Prayer and Fasting Week 1

Read 1 John chapter 1.

That's it. One Chapter of one book.

You can read the whole book. But read the first chapter each day.

Why?

John knew Jesus as his mentor, his friend, his rabbi, and even as a miracle worker. But something happened after the resurrection. Jesus was revealed to John by Holy Spirit in a way that has to make us jealous.

Instead of talking about the man Jesus, John wrote about Him as "the Word of Life" that was revealed to us. John wrote that what was revealed to him could be revealed to us so that we could have fellowship with him and with God.

Instead of trying to consume a ton of information, in this first week lets try to consume this word of life so we can get an understanding of the fellowship we also have with the Father.



Prayer and Fasting Week 2

God is drawing you out of where you were into where you are going. Each day, read the passage of Scripture and meditate on the prayer point. Lean in to listening to God answer the questions in the prayer point. Keep a journal and pray through what God is telling you.

Monday: Read Genesis 12:1-5

God called Abraham to leave his home even though he did not know where to. In what areas is God calling you to trust His calling you out?

Tuesday: Exodus 3:7-4:18

Moses asked about everything that could go wrong. God promised Moses He would be all Moses needed. Are there areas of your life you doubt God's ability to draw you out?

Wednesday: Joshua 1:1-18

God told Joshua the past is the past. Its time to move forward. In what ways is God drawing you out of your past and into your future?



Thursday: Luke 8:1-3

There were a group of women who used their business knowledge to support the work of Jesus. How is God drawing you to use your talents for His kingdom?

Friday: John 4:1-42

The Samaritan woman was drawn out from her social confines to become an evangelist. In what ways is God drawing you away from society's expectation of you and into being a witness?

Saturday: Acts 9:10-19

Paul had to become blind and fast before he could see his true calling. In what ways is God drawing you from what you knew into what He has for you?



Prayer and Fasting Week 3

In our last week of prayer and fasting we are going to get focused on the blessing God has for us. Many Christians don't want to think about God blessing them because they are concerned about pride, or selfishness, or think others are more worthy. It is good to be mindful of our heart but we should not limit God's ability to bless us so we can be a blessing to others.

We want to be outposts of God's blessing on the earth. In a day of rampant anxiety, depression, poverty, and sickness, we just want to walk in God's cure for all that. We are called to suffer with patience but that should never limit our desire to see healing, deliverance and prosperity!

The suffering we have patiently endured makes us the poor that Jesus came to bless. This week, lean into your fasting, perhaps a few breakfasts or lunches. Maybe you will only drink water and eat no food for the day. And when you would be eating, pray for God to reveal his plan for your life so you can boldly walk in the blessing He has for you!

Each day this week in the morning and the evening, recite these declarations over your life. Read them, study them, and try to embody them as you live your life this week.



Week 3 Daily Declarations

- 1. My prayers are powerful and effective (2 Cor 5:21; James 5:16b).
- 2. God richly supplies all my financial needs (Phil 4:19).
- 3. I am dead to sin and alive to obeying God (Romans 6:11).
- 4. I walk in ever-increasing health (Isaiah 53:3-5; Psalm 103:1-3).
- 5. I live under a supernatural protection (Ps 91).
- 6. I prosper in all my relationships (Luke 2:52)
- 7. I consistently bring God encounters to other people (Mark 16:17,18)
- 8. Through Jesus I am 100% loved and worthy to receive all of God's blessings (Gal 3:1-5).
- 9. Each of my family members is blessed and radically loves Jesus (Acts 16:30.31)
- 10.I talk back when I hear a lie from the devil (Psalms 2:2-4)

