

ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING AND HIS COURTS WITH PRAISE; GIVE THANKS TO HIM

AND:

PRAISE HIS NAME.

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### Fzekiel 36:26-27 NLT

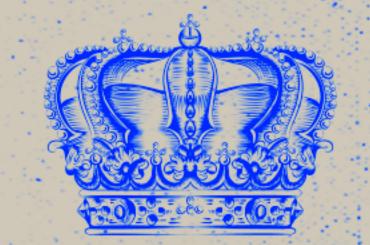
And I will give you a new heart, and I will put a new spirit in you. I will take out your stony, stubborn heart and give you a tender, responsive heart. And I will put my Spirit in you so that you will follow my decrees and be careful to obey my regulations.





#### 2 Corinthians 5:16-19 CSB

From now on, then, we do not know anyone from a worldly perspective. Even if we have known Christ from a worldly perspective, yet now we no longer know him in this way. Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has passed away, and see, the new has come! Everything is from God, who has reconciled us to himself through Christ and has given us the ministry of reconciliation. That is, in Christ, God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and he has committed the message of reconciliation to us.



### Prayer Prompts

What have I allowed to harden my heart?

Pray for one another that we would have tender hearts responsive to the work of the Holy Spirit.

Pray that we, as a church family, would be responsive to the Holy Spirit.

Pray together and ask God if there is someone you need help seeing from a new perspective, from God's perspective.

Pray together for what a ministry of reconciliation may look like in your lives, whether with other people, injustices you see in your social/economic spheres, etc.



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### Matthew 18:1-4 OSB

At that time the disciples came to Jesus and asked, "So who is greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" He called a small child and had him stand among them. "Truly I tell you," he said, "unless you turn and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Therefore, whoever humbles himself like this child — this one is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven."





#### Bomans 12:12 ESV

I appeal to you, therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.





### Prayer Prompts

To experience the **new**, what do you need to return to in your faith? Full trust? Boldness in prayer? Resting in Jesus' arms? Pray for growth as we return to a childlike faith!

Having a childlike faith requires humility. Pray for bold humility - personally, as a family, and as a church. Pray for our church to be renewed as we return to a childlike faith.

What area of culture has potentially taken up space in your mind?

Where does the enemy have a seat at your table?

Pray together for a renewed desire to be in scripture and meditation in 2024 consistently.



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