



**UNTO THE LORD - 7 DAY FAST
DAY 7
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I want to thank each of you for joining us in our UNTO THE LORD Fast. Today is DAY #7 and our final day this week.

Fasting for Revelation

During these seven days of prayer and fasting, I'm confident that God has been speaking to you, and he will continue to speak and direct your path forward. We know that God speaks through His revealed Word, The Bible, but He also speaks through divine revelation by His Spirit. There is no doubt that God wants to bring powerful and creative answers to the things you are praying and asking for, but He also wants to reveal things to you and in you through this fast.

Revelation is a critical component to our walk with the Lord. Revelation from the Holy Spirit is the key to accessing the high places to life. Fasting and prayer is ordained to bring us into the realms of revelation—opening the eyes of our heart to receive spiritual understanding. Proverbs 29:18 tells us, “when people do not accept divine guidance, they run wild.” Apart from God’s revelation, our lives can become increasingly destructive and confusing.

Jesus told the disciples how they would receive such divine revelation:

John 14:26, “But when the Father sends the Advocate as my representative—that is, the Holy Spirit—he will teach you everything and will remind you of everything I have told you.”

John 16:13-14, “When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on his own but will tell you what he has heard. He will tell you about the future. He will bring me glory by telling you whatever he receives from me.”

These passages teach us several things about revelation:

Revelation provides wisdom and supernatural insight. The life of faith is a life of trusting, learning and discovery. But with more revelation comes more responsibility.

Proverbs 25:2 says, “It is the glory of God to conceal things, but the glory of kings is to search things out.” God doesn’t conceal things *from* us; He conceals them *for* us! The same Hebrew word for glory is used both times in the verse – God’s glory becomes a glory we can personally experience as we search and discover, and if we seek, we will find. That’s a promise from God.

Revelation guides us into truth. In today’s pluralistic society, truth has been diluted and redefined based on whatever people think is true. Imagine living your life based on a *false* reality of truth. This will lead to destructive decisions, poor choices, and ultimately a life of confusion and chaos. God wants your life as His son and daughter to flourish, and revelation is key to receiving His guidance and direction in every season of life.

Revelation reveals the future. Throughout Scripture, God regularly revealed coming events to different people whether through dreams, visions, or divine visitations. It shows God’s desire to prepare us and lead us into the future. He cares about the paths our lives take and offers to show us the way to go each day as we seek Him. He knows what’s ahead. Remember, He is the Good Shepherd. He’s the one leading and we’re to be the ones following.

God wants to speak and reveal things to us through this time of prayer and fasting. Our job is to seek revelation, and God promises He will reveal it. So, as you’re fasting and praying, be expectant for God to speak—grab a journal and a pen. Write down what He says because it will prepare and direct you in the days and months ahead.

You can hear The Lord’s voice and the Holy Spirit is here with you to breathe inspiration upon your heart and thoughts. I ask for the Spirit of revelation to be increased in us all.

Keep this prayer before you continually: *“I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, and his incomparably great power for us who believe...”* (Ephesians 1:17-19).

As we come to the end of this special week, I want to encourage you to add a day of fasting to each week to help you in developing a lifestyle of fasting. This will also keep you sharp as you lean deeper into the Lord's heart and seek fresh revelation.

Numbers 6:24-26 *"The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace."* Amen!

**Together Triumphant,
Pastor Brian**