

UNTO THE LORD - 7 DAY FAST DAY 7 July 29th, 2023

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Good morning, victorious ones. This is our last day of this 7 day fast. My prayer for you throughout this week is that this has opened your hearts to a deeper, more intimate and more powerful relationship with our Lord. He is to be our great treasure and delight—our First Love. No one has loved us so completely like Jesus. No one has been more faithful and true than Jesus. I pray that this fast has launched you into greater intimacy, fellowship and communion with Holy Spirit daily.

Let me encourage you to look with the eyes of faith and expect breakthroughs in the leading of the Lord, hearing His voice, receiving divine favor, healing, financial breakthroughs and provisions...look to be used in the miraculous, to invade what seemingly looks impossible. Look for the leading of Holy Spirit into your divine assignment.

Luke 4:1-2, 14-15 in the NIV says, "Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the desert, where for forty days He was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and at the end of them He was hungry...Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about Him spread through the whole countryside. He taught in their synagogues, and everyone praised Him."

Fasting and prayer are essential to receiving a clear vision of God's specific path for our lives. Many times, following a season of prayer and fasting, we have a more defined understanding of the part that we play in the body of Christ and a greater sense of our particular spiritual gifts (1 Corinthians 12).

The above chapter in the Gospel of Luke describes the circumstances surrounding the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. Notice that He went into the desert "full of the Holy Spirit." However, He returned to Galilee, "in the power of the Holy Spirit." Being full of the Spirit is knowing God and his character; walking in the power of the Spirit is when we know that we have the God-given strength and authority in our lives to walk out His will. The believer, because of his union with Christ, is the most powerful created creation of God. He has the power of God for the purpose of bearing God's image and enforcing God's rule.

The power of the Spirit is most essential for us to accomplish the heavenly assignment God has for our lives. During this fast, Bren and I have been praying that Father is revealing and leading you into His specific instructions for your life. He will empower you, not just to know Him, but to walk in His resurrection power to accomplish what He has called you to do.

"But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you." Romans 8:11

You and I are chosen to host His Presence in the earth—this is why we are alive!

God bless you all!
Bren and I love you,
Pastor Brian