#### FIRST THINGS FIRST

•	WHAT KIND OF YEAR WAS THIS FOR YOU SPIRITUALLY?
	_ Spiritually Apathetic
	Spiritually Inconsistent
	_ Spiritually Consumed

But seek first [God's] kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Matthew 6:33

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## 1) FIRST OF THE DAY: SEEK GOD

O God, You are my God; <u>early will I seek You</u>; my soul thirsts for You; my flesh longs for You in a dry and thirsty land where there is no water. Psalm 63:1 NKJV

Very <u>early in the morning</u>, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed. Mark 1:35

# 2) FIRST OF THE WEEK: WORSHIP

On the first day of the week we came together to break bread. Acts 20:7

Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another...Hebrews 10:25 NIV 84

## 3) FIRST OF THE MONTH: <u>TITHE</u>

A <u>tithe</u> <u>of everything</u> from the land, whether grain from the soil or fruit from the trees, <u>belongs to the Lord</u>; it is <u>holy to the Lord</u>. Leviticus 27:30

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

2 Corinthians 9:7

### 4) FIRST OF THE YEAR: FAST

So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other...Galatians 5:16-17

Declare a holy fast; call a sacred assembly. Summon the elders and all who live in the land to the house of the Lord your God, and cry out to the Lord. Joel 1:14

But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, so that it will not be obvious to men that you are fasting, but only to your Father, who is unseen; and your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. Matthew 6:17-18

**TALK IT OVER**