



START WITH SACRIFICE



2021

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“Let the rest do whatever, while you do whatever it takes.” — Grant Cardone

INTRODUCTION

Romans 12:1-2

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, *which is your reasonable service*. And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what *is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God*.

In 2021, we want to start the year off right - let's start with sacrifice and seek after God like never before. As the Body of Christ we are stronger when we do things together. God has amazing things planned for our communities and we want to be tuned in to His direction for this year.

January 3-17, 2021

Fasting: Please join with us on this united fast in some way. Many will be participating in The Daniel Fast, but there also are other types of fasts from which you can choose.

Please note: Infants and small children should not fast. Older children who can understand fasting can participate by giving up a snack or favorite food. If you have, or think you have, a medical condition, please consult with your doctor before beginning any kind of fast.

Prayer: We encourage everyone to intensify his/her daily prayer. In addition, this 14 day prayer guide will keep everyone in unity praying for the same major focus each day. Sundays and Wednesdays will be guided by the local church and pastor. On Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays we will have an encouraging revival message at 7:30 pm Online - Details will be provided by the local pastor and church.

START WITH SACRIFICE

The idea behind starting with sacrifice is that the fire of God won't fall until there is a sacrifice.

1 Kings 18:30-39 (KJV)

*30 And Elijah said unto all the people, Come near unto me. And all the people came near unto him. And **he repaired the altar of the Lord that was broken down.***

*31 And Elijah took twelve stones, **according to the number of the tribes of the sons of Jacob**, unto whom the word of the Lord came, saying, Israel shall be thy name:*

*32 And with the stones he **built an altar in the name of the Lord**: and he made a trench about the altar, as great as would contain two measures of seed.*

*33 And he put the wood in order, and cut the bullock in pieces, and **laid him on the wood**, and said, Fill four barrels with water, and pour it on the burnt sacrifice, and on the wood.*

34 And he said, Do it the second time. And they did it the second time. And he said, Do it the third time. And they did it the third time.

35 And the water ran round about the altar; and he filled the trench also with water.

*36 And it came to pass at the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice, that Elijah the prophet came near, and said, Lord God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, **let it be known this day** that thou art God in Israel, and that I am thy servant, and that I have done all these things **at thy word.***

37 Hear me, O Lord, hear me, **that this people may know** that thou art the Lord God, and that thou hast **turned their heart back again.**

38 Then **the fire of the Lord fell**, and consumed the burnt sacrifice, and the wood, and the stones, and the dust, and licked up the water that was in the trench.

39 And **when all the people saw it, they fell on their faces**: and they said, The Lord, he is the God; the Lord, he is the God.

- ★ Repair the altar that is broken (v. 30)
- ★ Get your family involved (v. 31)
- ★ Build in the name of the Lord (v. 32)
- ★ Put the sacrifice on the altar (v. 33)
- ★ Pray that God gets the glory in this (vs 36-37)
- ★ Turn our hearts back again to God (v. 37)
- ★ The fire of the Lord will fall upon the sacrifice (v. 38)
- ★ When God moves like only He can - people will be turned to God and worship Him!

The purpose of **Start with Sacrifice** is to bring us into a place where God's fire will fall upon our churches and our state in a powerful way that turns people to Him. Thank you for joining with us, we are going to experience a powerful two weeks together!

14 DAYS OF PRAYER & FASTING

January 3 (Sunday) - January 17 (Sunday)

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Ask God to bring deep conviction of sin, spiritual brokenness, a holy fear of God and genuine repentance at the Crossroads. There will be no awakening without these elements and only God can produce them in His people. We cannot program or work up genuine brokenness and repentance.

(2 Corinthians 7:10)

For godly sorrow produces repentance *leading* to salvation, not to be regretted; but the sorrow of the world produces death.

January 4 (Monday) - [7:30 pm Online Revival]

Pray for God to create spiritual hunger in His people and draw them to passionate prayer. God has to grant people the genuine faith and the fervent desire for prayer. With all our promotion and programming, we cannot produce a genuine prayer movement.

(Philippians 2:13)

For it is God who works in you both to will and to do for *His* good pleasure.

January 5 (Tuesday) - [7:30 pm Online Revival]

Pray that God will bring loving unity in our church. Jesus said “By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

(John 13:35)

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January 6 (Wednesday)

Pray for God to fill you and our churches with a passion to see people saved. Only God can give a genuine burden for people without Christ. Until we intensely pray for the lost and intentionally invest in them and lovingly invite them to follow Jesus, awakening won't happen. Be sure you are constantly praying for many lost people by name.

(Romans 9:1-3)

1 I tell the truth in Christ, I am not lying, my conscience also bearing me witness in the Holy Spirit, **2** that I have great sorrow and continual grief in my heart. **3** For I could wish that I myself were accursed from Christ for my brethren, my countrymen according to the flesh,

Write down the names of family, friends, and neighbors that you will pray for during the fast:

January 7 (Thursday) - [7:30 pm Online Revival]

Pray for Youth (middle and high school ministry) and for God's movement in the life of teenagers in your town. Ask God to save them and to raise up a generation who follows Him with their whole hearts. Pray for your kid's ministries. Ask the Lord to save children and work in homes and families in our church.

(Deuteronomy 6:6-7)

6 "And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. **7** You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up.

January 8 (Friday) - [7:30 pm Online Revival]

Pray that God will call people into ministry, missions and Christian service. We desire to be a training and sending church. We can start only as many churches as we have church planters to start them.

(Matthew 9:37)

Then He said to His disciples, “The harvest truly *is* plentiful, but the laborers *are* few.

Pray specifically over the counties around us and the city that is their county seat to have an Apostolic Church.

January 9 (Saturday) - [7:30 pm Online Revival]

Pray that God will purify our motives for ministry through the church. Ask Him to purify our motives as we pray for awakening. After all it is possible to pray for awakening for selfish or ambitious reasons. Our motives must be solely for: (a) the glory of God, and (b) the increase of the kingdom of God. We must not pray for awakening just to solve our own problems or make our church successful.

(James 4:2)

You lust and do not have. You murder and covet and cannot obtain. You fight and war. Yet you do not have because you do not ask.

January 10 (Sunday)

Pray for our church's volunteers and staff. Ask the Lord to show people how much what they do every week matters. Pray for a greater burden for first-time guests, a welcoming atmosphere, a big vision for impacting kids, and the importance of musical worship in a move of God. Pray for a hunger for God's Word for our church. We are halfway through the fast. Most of us are thinking about what we will eat after the fast! This is the time to press in and ask God to give us a hunger for His Word.

(Matthew 5:6)

Blessed *are* those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, For they shall be filled.

January 11 (Monday) - [7:30 pm Online Revival]

Pray for addictions to be broken all around us and for Recovery + Support ministries. You cannot enjoy the fullness of life in Christ when you are bound by addictions. Addictions can be broken by God's power.

(2 Corinthians 3:17)

Now the Lord is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord *is*, there *is* liberty.

January 12 (Tuesday) - [7:30 pm Online Revival]

Pray for God to work in marriages in our churches. God honoring marriages should be the norm for Christians, not the exception. You can't have a good marriage if God is not in the center of it. (Ephesians 5:33) Pray for doors to be opened for Christ-centered relationships through our LifeGroups. Ask God to give us all courage to be known.

(Acts 2:42-47)

42 And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers. **43** Then fear came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles. **44** Now all who believed were together, and had all things in common, **45** and sold their possessions and goods, and divided them among all, as anyone had need. **46** So continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart, **47** praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved.

January 13 (Wednesday)

Pray for God to give us vision to share the gospel and make disciples at our churches. Ask Him to give us deep desire to be trained for gospel impact and then to go out and reach those all around us. Pray for our local, national, and global missions efforts. God is doing amazing things through Recovery, Project 22:39, Feeding America support, and global missions efforts in several countries around the world. Pray for favor, impact, and protection on all of our missional efforts.

(Acts 1:8)

“But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”

January 14 (Thursday) - [7:30 pm Online Revival]

Pray that God will reveal spiritual gifts to our church body. God has gifted his church with spiritual gifts to minister to each other and reach the world for Christ. Ask him to reveal your spiritual gift(s) and ask Him for new gifts.

(1 Peter 4:10)

As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.

(1 Corinthians 14:1)

Pursue love, and desire spiritual *gifts*, but especially that you may prophesy.

January 15 (Friday) - [7:30 pm Online Revival]

Pray for God to release the spirit of generosity into our hearts. God loves a cheerful giver. As God to increase your capacity to give to His church and mission in 2021. If our church was generous in our giving we would never be able to dream a dream too big that the Lord could not fund through us.

(2 Corinthians 9:7)

So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver.

January 16 (Saturday) - 24 Hour Prayer Chain Start

Pray for renewal as we worship Jesus in our church. A person who worships in spirit and truth connects to the heart of God. A powerful picture of fasting and worship is found in 2 Chronicles 20.

(2 Chronicles 20:3-4)

3 And Jehoshaphat feared, and set himself to seek the Lord, and proclaimed a fast throughout all Judah. **4** So Judah gathered together to ask *help* from the Lord; and from all the cities of Judah they came to seek the Lord.

January 17 (Sunday)

Pray for next steps of spiritual growth at our churches. Pray for people to grow spiritually through services, small groups, events, Bible studies and all we do. Then reflect on what God has done during this fast and thank Him. As God moves in our personal lives and in our church, we must give thanks regularly for the goodness of His grace. Stop and thank Him now for the good and the challenges in your life.

(2 Corinthians 4:15)

For all things *are* for your sakes, that grace, having spread through the many, may cause thanksgiving to abound to the glory of God.

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PREPARATION FOR FASTING

When Should You Fast?

- When sorely tempted (Matthew 4:2)
- When wisdom is earnestly desired (Daniel 9:3)
- When help and protection are needed (Ezra 8:21-23; 2 Chronicles 20:3; Jeremiah 36:9)
- When victory is desired over strong demonic powers (Matthew 17:21; Mark 9:29) or in seemingly impossible situations (Esther 4:10-17, 9:31; Nehemiah 1:4)
- When something is earnestly desired from God and the answer has not come through prayer alone (1 Samuel 1:6-7)
- When involved in spiritual ministry (2 Corinthians 6:5, 11:27)
- When new ministries are launched and when men go forth to proclaim God's Word and battle spiritual enemies (2 Corinthians 6:5)
- During times of special repentance and revival (Joel 1:14, 2:12,15; Nehemiah 9:1-2)

Biblical Examples of Fasting

- Moses fasted 40 days, and God gave him the Ten Commandments (beginning in Exodus 24) —Esther called a three-day fast and saved her people from annihilation (Esther 4:16)
- Hannah “wept and did not eat,” and God gave her a baby named Samuel (1 Samuel 1:7)
- Judah, Ezra, the pagan people of Nineveh, Nehemiah, David, Anna, Joshua, Daniel, Paul, Peter, and even Jesus himself fasted
- The promises in Joel 2:28 (And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions:) follow a time of fasting (verse 15)

Some Benefits of Fasting

- Enables you to hear God quickly and distinctly (Judges 20:26-28)
- Puts teeth into your repentance (Joel 2:12-13)
- Helps you regain self-control over unruly flesh (1 Corinthians 7:5)
- Helps you to endure and overcome temptations (Matthew 4:2)
- Delivers you from the snares and traps of the enemy (Ezra 8:21-23, 31)

- Brings speedy relief when surrounded and outnumbered (2 Chronicles 20:3-30)
- Delivers you from deep-rooted strongholds and bondages (1 Samuel 7:3-14)
- Releases prophetic revelation of things to come (Daniel 10:3)
- Helps you live a long, healthy life (Luke 2:36-37, Isaiah 58:6-8)

What the Medical Profession Says About Fasting

- Fasting gives your body time to heal. Periodic fasts flush out poisons and give your whole digestive system a break.
- Fasting can help break addictions. It helps to control the appetite and can break an addiction to junk food as well as the power of an uncontrollable appetite. Some people bound by nicotine, alcohol, and drugs have found freedom from their addictions through fasting.
- Medical research has shown that fasting sharpens your mental processes and relieves anxiety and tension. It can lower blood pressure and cholesterol, and fasting can improve your sight, hearing, taste, touch, and smell.
- Regardless of how long you choose to fast, make sure to drink plenty of purified water—especially the first day of the fast.

Can Anyone Safely Fast?

Most everyone can do a short fast (one or two days) safely. Pregnant women, nursing mothers, and those with serious health conditions should not go on a normal or absolute fast. Infants and young children should never be put on any type of fast. Older children and teens, who can understand and desire the spiritual benefits of fasting, can do partial fasts or short juice fasts. It is advisable that everyone consult a physician to determine if you are healthy enough to follow the type of fast you are considering. If you are taking medication or have conditions that are altered by fasting, consult with your physician before fasting.

Spiritual Preparation

In preparation for this special time with God, examine your heart and detect any unconfessed sin. In your prayers, confess not only obvious sins, but less obvious ones as well (sins of omission as well as sins of commission). Scripture records that God requires His people to repent of their sins before He will hear their prayers.

Physical Preparation

Although fasting is primarily a spiritual discipline, it begins in the physical realm. You should follow specific physical preparation before your fast. If you plan on fasting for several days, you will find it helpful to begin by eating smaller meals before you abstain altogether. You also

should consider weaning yourself off of caffeine and sugar products prior to the start of the fast.

What to Expect: (This will vary depending on the type and length of fast you choose. Most of these expectations refer to a normal–no food–fast.) Whenever you fast for at least three days, your digestive system shuts down. This can be unpleasant–some people feel sluggish or can't sleep, have headaches and intense cravings, etc. By the fifth day, bad breath can be a concern (sugar-free mints are permissible). Senses begin to heighten. Remember to stay well-hydrated with water or juice throughout the fast. At some point, your hunger shifts from the physical to the spiritual, and you will sense an increasing awareness of God's plan and power in your life.

Time Replacement

Consider and plan spiritual activities in place of satisfying physical hunger. Isaiah 58 gives us examples of spiritual activities: feed the hungry, house the poor, and clothe the naked. Here are some suggestions of spiritual activities to assist you and your family in planning for our fourteen days of prayer and fasting.

- Pray–at home, at church, individually, and corporately. Prepare a family altar (daily devotion and prayer). Read, study, and meditate on the Word.
- Invest in new praise and worship music or new reading material to enhance your spiritual walk.
- Teach a Bible study or share your testimony.

- Find moments of stillness to draw close to God during your busy day or while at work.
- Call a person who is MIA (missing in action) or connect with someone who does not attend church.
- Visit, send a card, and/or call someone in need (those who are sick, in the hospital, homebound, in a nursing home, family members of someone who is incarcerated, widows, fatherless, etc.).
- Feed and clothe the homeless (donate a blanket, a coat, etc.).

Children can plan to do things like: perform helpful deeds for parents, grandparents, and neighbors without pay or reward (empty the garbage, rake leaves, wash a car, clean a yard), read a scripture daily, pray the Lord's prayer, memorize scripture (such as Psalm 23), give compliments, pray for classmates and teachers, etc.

Other things that Fasting accomplishes:

- It will strengthen prayer. (Ezra 8:23; Nehemiah 1:4; Daniel 9:3; Joel 2:12; Acts 13:3)
- It assists us in seeking God's guidance. (Judges 20:26-28; Acts 14:23)
- It sometimes can be an expression of grief. (1 Samuel 31:13; 2 Samuel 1:11-12)
- It helps to gain deliverance or protection. (2 Chronicles 20:3-4; Ezra 8:21-23; Esther 4:16)
- One may fast to express repentance and the return to God. (Joel 2:12; Jonah 3:5-8)

- It is used to humble ourselves before God. (1 Kings 21:27-29; Psalm 35:13)
- It is used to express concern and facilitate the work of the Kingdom of God. (Nehemiah 1:3-4; Daniel 9:3)

THE DANIEL FAST

Abstaining for a purpose

“But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king’s meat, nor with the wine which he drank: therefore he requested of the prince of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself.” Daniel 1:8

“²In those days I Daniel was mourning three full weeks. ³I ate no pleasant bread, neither came flesh nor wine in my mouth, neither did I anoint myself at all, till three whole weeks were fulfilled.” Daniel 10:2-3

In the first chapter of Daniel, we find King Nebuchadnezzar commissioning Ashpenaz to select some young men to be brought to the palace and trained, prior to being given positions in the king’s court. Among those brought in were Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. The order was given by the king that they should eat from the king’s table—be served the same as he was. However, Daniel, purposing in his heart that he would not defile himself, followed a different diet. Later, in chapter 10, Daniel embarks on a three-week fast while in mourning in which he follows a similar diet.

The purpose of fasting is to grow your relationship with God. Daniel’s decision not to eat the king’s food was an outward symbol of an inward commitment he made to God.

Let your choices over the 14 days of our Start With Sacrifice fast reflect your hunger for God's presence in your life.

The fast is a spiritual discipline designed to better connect us with God. As a church we are fasting to deepen our relationship with God, to discover as never before His plan and purpose for our lives, and to experience a spiritual breakthrough that will revolutionize our church family and our community.

In addition to the foods of the fast, The Daniel Fast also requires prayer and faith. These three work together to form a foundation for the fast. Together, these three form a prescription of healing.

There is no definitive list of foods for Daniel's fast. The scriptures tell us he ate no flesh (meat) and drank no wine. The designation of "pleasant bread" has often been interpreted to mean breads, or sweets, or the delicacies—"choice foods." In our fast, it is the spirit of Daniel's decision that we are attempting to capture. In general, the foods that are a part of The Daniel Fast are ones that promote health—foods that renew and cleanse the body. Rich foods, decadent foods, and "party" foods would be avoided on the Daniel fast. If there is something not specifically listed that you feel should qualify as "food of the king," then ask God to reveal to you whether it should be part of your fast. The details of your fast are between you and God.

Whether you will be following The Daniel Fast or another type of fast, we ask everyone to join us in this united effort by participating in our corporate 14 Days of Prayer and Fasting Sunday, January 3, through Sunday, January 17.

Please note: If you have any type of medical condition, or if you suspect you have a medical condition of any kind, please consult your doctor before beginning the fast.



Suggested Food List for The Daniel Fast

Foods to Eat

All Whole Grains, including brown rice, oats, and barley

All Legumes, including dried beans, pinto beans, split peas, lentils, and black-eyed peas

All Fruits, including apples, apricots, bananas, blackberries, blueberries, boysenberries, cantaloupe, cherries, cranberries, figs, grapefruit, grapes, guava, honeydew melon, kiwi, lemons, limes, mangoes, nectarines, papayas, peaches, pears, pineapples, plums, prunes, raisins, raspberries, strawberries, tangelos, tangerines, and watermelon

All Vegetables, including artichokes, asparagus, beets, broccoli, brussel sprouts, cabbage, carrots, cauliflower, celery, chili peppers, corn, cucumbers, eggplant, garlic, ginger-root, kale, leeks, lettuce, mushrooms, mustard greens, okra, onions, parsley, potatoes, radishes, rutabagas, scallions, spinach, sprouts, squashes, sweet potatoes, tomatoes, turnips, watercress, yams, and zucchini

Seeds Nuts

Liquids: water (as much as possible), unsweetened soy milk, caffeine-free all-herbal tea, natural fruit juice (no sugar added), natural vegetable juice (no sugar added)

Extra-Virgin Olive Oil (small quantities) Honey

Foods to Avoid

Meat (including poultry and fish) White Rice

Breads

White Flour (and products using it) Fried Foods

Caffeine & Caffeinated Beverages

Coffee & Tea (including decaf)

Carbonated Beverages

Foods Containing Additives or Preservatives Refined Sugar or Sugar Substitutes Margarine, Shortening, High-Fat Products

Recipes:

<https://ultimatedanielfast.com/recipes/>

PRAYER HELPS

We know that prayer helps, so here are some helps to assist you in your times of praying.

TAKE ON THE WHOLE ARMOR

"Put on the whole armour of God that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood; but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God; that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all to stand. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God " (Eph. 6:11-17)

The Helmet of Salvation: "Lord, protect my mind. Keep my mind and eyes focused on you. Let me think right. Let me view things through your eyes. Let me not be conformed to this world's way of thinking. Let me be transformed by the renewing of my mind, that I may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God." (Rom. 12:2)

"Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee." (Isa. 26:3)

"For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace." (Rom. 8:6).

"Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus." (Phil. 2:5)

The Breastplate of Righteousness: "Lord, keep my heart right. Filter everything that comes into or out of my heart through your righteousness. Lead me in the paths of righteousness for your name's sake. (Ps.23:3) Come and rain your righteousness upon us." (Hos. 10:12)

"Let me be easily impressed by your Spirit. Let me recognize the unction and guidance of your righteousness in my life. Let me be led by your Holy Spirit in all I say and do."

Loins Girt about with Truth: "Lord, put a love of the truth in my heart. Gird me about with truth. Spirit of Truth, wrap yourself around me. Let truth keep me from all lies and all error and every false way. For your Word speaks of those who *'with all deceivableness of unrighteousness ...perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved'* (II Thess. 2:10). So let us love the truth, not just in word, but in deed."

Feet Shod with the Preparation of the Gospel of Peace: "Lord, everywhere I go let me bring peace. Grant to me a willingness to be peaceful and to bring peace, a willingness to *'Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord.'*" (Heb. 12:14). Let me be a peacemaker.

"How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace..." (Isa. 52:7). Let me be a person who publishes and spreads your peace."

"Lord, guide our feet into the way of peace. (Luke 1:79). Set my feet in a large place safe from the pit. Send your angels to keep me from dashing my feet against a stone." (Ps. 91:12).

The Shield of Faith: "Lord, quench all the fiery darts of the enemy. For you are the author and the finisher of my faith. Let me be able to truly say with Paul, *'I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God; who loved me, and gave himself for me.'*" (Gal. 2:20).

"Your Word declares that, *'He shall cover thee with his feathers and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler.'*" (Ps. 91:4). Grant it, Lord! My prayer is that my *'faith should not stand in the*

wisdom of men, but in the power of God.” (I Cor. 2:5). Protect us from the enemy's attacks, Lord!

The Sword of the Spirit which is the Word of God: "I come on the offensive, with your Word as my weapon, against the gates of hell. Anoint your Word in my heart, mind, and mouth. Let your Word do a work in me and through me. Let me be a channel through which your living Word can flow powerfully and effectively."

“For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.” (Heb. 4:12).

"The righteousness which is of faith speaketh on this wise, Say not in thine heart, Who shall ascend into heaven? (that is, to bring Christ down from above:) Or, Who shall descend into the deep? (that is, to bring up Christ again from the dead.) But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth and in thy heart: that is the word of faith, which we preach.” (Rom 10:6-8).

“THE LORD’S PRAYER”

"Our Father..."

"Lord, we are thankful that we can call you Father by virtue of the blood of Christ and the Spirit of adoption.

You are our Father, the authority over us, our care provider, and our counselor. Build your character and attributes into our lives, Lord. Allow us to be partakers of your divine nature."

"Which art in heaven..."

Your throne is in heaven, Lord. You are high and lifted up. Your thoughts are above my thoughts - but elevate my thoughts by granting to me the mind of Christ. If everyday I declare heaven's priorities by prayer, I trust that your priorities will become my priorities on earth. Your ways are higher than my ways - but elevate my ways by enabling me to walk in the Holy Ghost."

"Hallowed be thy name..."

"Lord, you are my everything! Everything I need, I find in Jesus! You are Jhvh-Hoseenu, the Lord my maker, my creator. You are Jhvh-Rohi, the Lord my shepherd. Keep me, Lord. Lead me to green pastures and still waters. You are Jhvh-Jireh, the Lord my provider and provision. Supply all of my needs according to your riches in glory by Christ Jesus. You are Jhvh-Shaiom, the Lord my peace. Grant to me your peace, that peace that passes all understanding. You are Jhvh-Rophe, the Lord my healer. Grant to me good health in spirit, sow and body. You are Jhvh-Tsidkenu, the Lord my righteousness. You are Jhvh-Shammal, the Lord who is there, never leaving, never forsaking me, a very present help in trouble. You are Jhvh-Nissi, the Lord my banner. I'm on your side, Lord, standing for you and your cause. You are Jhvh-M'Kaddesh, the Lord who sanctifies and makes me clean. You are Jhvh-Tsebaoth, the Lord of host, the captain of the army of the host of the Lord, the King of Kings, and Lord of Lords. You are Jhvh-Heleyon,

the Lord most high. Keep my focus on you Lords not on the things of earth.

"Thy kingdom come thy will be in earth as it is in heaven..."

"Hasten the day spoken of in Revelation 11:15 when the kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdoms of our Lord and His Christ. Hasten the day referred to in Daniel 7 when your saints shall possess the kingdom. You said, 'The kingdom of heaven suffereth violence and the violent take it by force.' We come as your great army pushing back the kingdom of the adversary and establishing your kingdom, in Jesus name."

"Let your kingdom come and your will be done in me, my family (mate, children, and other family members), and my church family (Pastors, leadership team, faithfulness of people, harvest). Let your kingdom come and your will be done in our nation and world. Put up whom you will and put down whom you will. Let your plan unfold, in Jesus name."

"Give us this day our daily bread..."

"Lord, supply all of our need according to your riches in glory by Christ Jesus. Give us more than we need for ourselves so that we might have to give to those who ask us of the hope that is in us, with meekness and fear. Let us live today in the will of God. Grant to us good work habits, a spirit of submission and obedience to your will, let us be cheerful and generous givers - for freely we have received, may we freely give. We believe it is your will to prosper us for the cause of the gospel - for your Word declares, *"Give, and it shall be given unto you, good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. As with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measure to you again."* (Lk 6:38) *"Beloved I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth."* (III Jn 2)

“Forgive our debts as we forgive our debtors...”

Therefore I say unto you, “What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them. And when ye stand praying, forgive, if ye have ought against any: that your Father also which is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses. But if ye do not forgive, neither will your Father which is in heaven forgive your trespasses.” (Mark 11:24-26)

“And lead us not into temptation.. but deliver us from evil...”

“The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations...” (II Pet 2:9)

“There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who, will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.”

(I Cor 10:13)

"Lord, I pray a hedge of protection around me, my family, and my church family — in Jesus' name."

“For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory forever...”

“By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name.” (Heb 13:15)

TABERNACLE PRAYER

Praying Through The Tabernacle Plan

(Heaven to Earth: The Tabernacle Today)

THE TABERNACLE

In Exodus, Chapters 25-31, God gave detailed instructions to Moses on Mt. Sinai for building the Tabernacle to house His presence. The Tabernacle was a tent-like structure inside a rectangular courtyard, facing East, surrounded by a fence made of pillars and linen hangings, and covered as area 45' long, and 15' wide, with a 15' high covering.

In the outer courtyard were the brazen altar nearest the entrance, and the laver of water. Inside the tent were the Holy Place (housing the candlestick, the table of shewbread, and the golden altar of incense) and the Holy of Holies (where the Ark of the Covenant rested). In and above the Holy of Holies, God appeared as a pillar of cloud or fire. Each article of furniture represents a different prayer focus that has a unique meaning corresponding with its original purpose defined by God, and a place in the "types and shadows" that exist between the Old and New Testaments.

STEP 1- THE GATE

Here, we enter into His gate with thanksgiving and into His courts with praise (Psalm 100:4).

PRAYER FOCUS: We begin here. Thank God for every blessing and praise Him for His mighty acts.

STEP 2 - THE BRAZEN ALTER

For sinful man to even approach a holy God, there must be a blood sacrifice. Jesus died as an atonement for our sins. The brazen alter is where we repent and rid ourselves of sinful deeds and desires.

PRAYER FOCUS: No one can repent for us. Jesus became our sacrifice so we could receive the gift of repentance. At the alter we search our hearts, acknowledge our sins, and ask God to forgive us.

STEP 3 - THE LAVER OF WATER

Once sins were atoned for, cleansing was necessary before serving in the Holy Place. We must daily look into the mirror of; be washed by; and apply His word as cleansing so we may serve and minister before Him.

PRAYER FOCUS: Here we take time to read and meditate on God's Word and allow it to wash over us and through us. When we examine ourselves with his Word as our guide, the Word will sanctify and cleanse us.

STEP 4 - THE FIVE PILLARS

Each pillar symbolizes one of the characteristics of God named by Isaiah.

PRAYER FOCUS: “His name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father and Prince of Peace” (Isaiah 9:6). Pray for a revelation of the power of and for the office of each name to be present in our lives.

STEP 5 - THE GOLDEN CANDLESTICK

This oil is symbolic of the illuminating and revelatory power of the Holy Ghost. The priest’s duty was to keep the wicks trimmed so the lamp would exude pure light without smoke.

PRAYER FOCUS: At this source of continuous shining light ask God for spiritual revelation, direction and guidance. Pray for the anointing of the Holy Ghost to be active in our lives. Jesus said “I am the light of the world...” (John 8:12).

STEP 6 - THE TABLE OF SHEWBREAD

The table/bread symbolized God’s willingness to fellowship with man and him to be in His presence.

PRAYER FOCUS: “I am the bread of life...” (John 6:35, 49-50). This bread of His presence is the “rhema” (God -breathed) Word of God to us. Ask God to speak to our hearts and

allow us to commune with Him and hear His voice and follow Him. Pray for those who share His bread with us: missionaries, pastors, evangelists and church leaders.

STEP 7 - THE GOLDEN ALTAR OF INCENSE

Only the fire of repentance can burn the incense of our intercession. This is a symbol of our prayers and intercession going up to God as a sweet fragrance.

PRAYER FOCUS: "Let my prayer be sent forth before thee as incense; and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice" (Psalm 141:2). Here the incense offered is symbolic of our worship. After worship, we make intercession for others and for any situation in our lives that requires His intervention. Biblically, Jesus ever makes intercession for us. The golden altar of incense is where every request can be presented to a prayer-answering God.

STEP 8 - THE VEIL

It represents the flesh of Jesus rent in the final sacrifice and marked physical separation from the spiritual. Whoever went in the Holy of Holies entered into God's very presence.

PRAYER FOCUS: The veil is symbolic of the barrier of our flesh. Here we ask God to give us power to go beyond ourselves, to operate not on our own faith but on God's faith. Meditate on the revelation of the name of Jesus and

acknowledge Him as the Messiah - God manifest in the flesh as testified in the gospels. We enter into His presence.

STEP 9 - THE HOLY OF HOLIES

Inside the Holy of Holies was the Ark of the Covenant which contained three symbolic items: a golden pot of manna, Aaron's staff that budded, and the stone containing the Ten Commandments. The Mercy Seat, where God communed with man, rested as the top of the ark. Because the ark was God's throne among His people, it was a symbol of His presence and power.

PRAYER FOCUS: Only the blood gives us access to the Holy of Holies. The Ten Commandments (The Law) is covered by the blood of the sacrifice. There is only mercy. We are free and without judgment. This is the place of intimacy with God. Now we may act in the authority represented by Aaron's rod that budded. Through Christ, we take authority over things that work against us. We are surrounded by angels, and the miracle of the manna reminds us that whatever we need, He will supply.

PLEADING THE BLOOD

Leviticus 8:30 KJV And Moses took of the anointing oil, and of the blood which was upon the altar, and sprinkled *it* upon Aaron, *and* upon his garments, and upon his sons, and upon his sons' garments with him; and sanctified Aaron, *and* his garments, and his sons, and his sons' garments with him.

The blood of Jesus Christ is a counter agent to all that is corrupt and sinful in this world. When there is not a blood covering, sin is free to corrupt and destroy whatever it can come close to.

"Lord, I come pleading the blood of Jesus over this day and over my time together with you - asking that you would keep this conversation private from the enemy."

"I plead the blood of Jesus because it is our only counter agent. When there is no blood covering, sin is free to corrupt and destroy."

"The Bible declares, *'When he sees the blood... the LORD will pass over the door, and will not suffer the destroyer to come in unto your houses to smite you.'* (Ex. 12:23) "So we take comfort in knowing that the enemy cannot cross the bloodline of Christ"

"And they overcome him (the enemy) by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony, (Rev. 12:11)

-The greatest spiritual battlefield is your mind! That is why we have to plead the blood over our minds.

-Satan, the blood of Jesus is against you. . .

-We need to plead the blood of Jesus so that we have the peace of God in our minds.

Colossians 1:20 KJV And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, *I say*, whether *they be* things in earth, or things in heaven.

-The enemy wants to put fear and torment in your mind so that he will be able to control you. There is deliverance through the blood of Jesus Christ!

-Guilt, shame, condemnation, and humiliation can be removed by the blood of Jesus Christ. This is why the devil is an accuser. He is constantly attempting to draw you into a dark hole of blackness because of something that is long in the past.

-Satan, the blood of Jesus is against you. . .

"Lord, I plead the blood of Jesus over this day, over my family, over my church family, over my city, state, and nation. I plead the blood of Jesus over all of the people of this world for whom Jesus died. For *"he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world"* (1 John 2:2)

"Paul wrote, *'I exhort... that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men...For*

this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour; Who will have all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth." (I Tim. 2:1, 3-4)

"Jesus, you said" *'And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me.'*" (John 12:32) Grant it, Lord!"

"And Lord, I claim the blood of Jesus as it has already been applied in my life. I continue to trust in your mercy. Hide me under your blood and keep me from all unrighteousness. Forgive me of my sins, my iniquities, my wickedness, my evil desires to sometimes step outside the laws of God."

"Search me, O God and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts: And see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting." (Ps. 139:23-24)

"Cleanse me from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit that I might perfect holiness in the fear of God." (II Cor. 7:1)

"Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin... Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me." (Ps. 51:2, 10)

"Lord, let us lay aside every weight and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith." (Heb. 12:1-2)

Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous sin; let them not have dominion over me: then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression. Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength, and my redeemer." (Ps. 19:13-14)

If the blood of Jesus Christ has been applied to your life then you have to trust in the mercy of God.

- Hide me in the blood.
- Keep me from unrighteousness.
- Forgive me of my presumptuous sins.
- Don't let wickedness have dominion over me.
- Never let me step outside of the Laws of God.

2 Corinthians 5:19-21 KJV To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation. **[20]** Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech *you* by us: we pray *you* in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God. **[21]** For he hath made him *to be* sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

-There is nothing that the devil will be able to say or do that will stand against the righteousness of Jesus Christ.

-Satan, the blood of Jesus is against you!

SONG RECOMMENDATIONS

Here is a list of songs we like for encouragement

(This is a YouTube Song Playlist)

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