
Kingdom Citizenship

January 2023



21
DAYS OF PRAYER & FASTING

What is Fasting?

Fasting is deliberately abstaining from the everyday routines of life. Its purpose is to spend focused time in prayer and studying God's word, seeking to align our lives with God's will.

Ultimately, fasting is more about replacing than abstaining. It fills our lives with God's word instead of food, social media, or entertainment. It is finding satisfaction and enjoyment in God and God alone. Fasting helps us humble ourselves before the Lord and positions us to experience spiritual breakthrough in our lives.

"Eating" and "drinking" can represent anything holding you back. What do you "consume" in terms of social food, intellectual food, spiritual food, and emotional food? Are these things distracting you from your relationship with God?

Are you relying on things that have nothing to do with God to get you through your day? You may not even realize you have an addiction. For example, if you "have to have" coffee every day, and you are not willing to give it up, then you are addicted.

Everyone doing a physical fast should consult a physician first. If you have medical issues, consider fasting from TV or social media. The point is that you are sacrificially separating yourself from things and food to spend more time with God.

Why We Fast

We fast for a fresh encounter with God!

Fasting reveals and heals our dependence on food (and other things) to fill the discomfort caused by low self-esteem, unfulfilling work, unloving relationships, uncontrollable circumstances, etc. It removes the false peace derived from non-spiritual things.

Fasting expresses and deepens our hunger for God. Fasting reminds us that we are sustained “by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God” (Matt. 4:4). Food does not sustain us; God sustains us. In Christ, “all things hold together” (Colossians 1:17). Therefore, in experiences of fasting, we abstain from food or other activity to feast on God’s Word.

Fasting and prayer are the only disciplines that fulfill the requirements of Mark 9:29, “This kind can come out by nothing but prayer and fasting.” Since fasting does not come naturally, it is something that we must *decide* to do. In addition, some of the changes we want to see happen in our lives and the lives of our loved ones will only come by the discipline of fasting and praying.

THE DANIEL FAST

Foods to Include:

Fruits - These can be fresh, frozen, dried, juiced or canned. Fruits include but are not limited to apples, apricots, bananas, blackberries, blueberries, boysenberries, cantaloupe, cherries, cranberries, figs, grapefruit, grapes, guava, honeydew melon, kiwi, lemons, limes, mangoes, nectarines, oranges, papayas, peaches, pears, pineapples, plums, prunes, raisins, raspberries, strawberries, tangelos, tangerines, watermelon, etc.

Vegetables - These can be fresh, frozen, dried, juiced or canned.

Vegetables include but are not limited to artichokes, asparagus, beets, broccoli, brussel sprouts, cabbage, carrots, cauliflower, celery, chili peppers, collard greens, 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, zucchini, veggie burgers (an option if you are not allergic to soy).

Whole grains - Including, but not limited to, whole wheat, brown rice, millet, quinoa, oats, barley, grits, whole wheat pasta, whole wheat tortillas, rice cakes, and popcorn. All nuts and seeds, including, but not limited to, sunflower seeds, cashews, peanuts, sesame. In addition, nut butters, e.g. peanut butter and almond butter.

Legumes - These can be canned or dried.

Legumes include but are not limited to dried beans, pinto beans, split peas, lentils, black-eyed peas, kidney beans, black beans, cannellini beans, white beans.

Beverages - Spring water, distilled water, or other pure waters.

Sample Menu for Daniel Fast:

Breakfast - Fruit smoothie with protein powder

Mid-morning Snack - Fresh fruit or fresh vegetables

Lunch - Raw vegetable salad with light dressing and vegetable broth soup

Mid-afternoon Snack - Fresh fruit or fresh vegetables

Dinner - Fresh salad with light dressing and steamed grilled vegetables

Sample Menu for Modified Daniel Fast:

Breakfast - 1-2 servings whole grains with fresh fruit juice

Mid-morning Snack - Fresh fruit or fresh chopped vegetables

Lunch - 1-2 servings whole grains; fresh salad with legumes and light dressing

Mid-afternoon Snack - Fresh fruit juice or fruit smoothie with protein

Dinner - 1-2 whole grains; fresh salad with legumes and light dressing

OUR PLAN

1. Set personal goals and write them down!

Begin with clear personal goals as well as breakthrough goals for our church. Be specific. Why are you fasting, personally? Do you need direction, healing, restoration of your marriage, or the resolution of family issues? Are you facing difficulties? Pray and ask the Holy Spirit for guidance. Write these requests in a journal or notebook or create a digital journal using your favorite notetaking program or app. Keeping a journal throughout your fast is a great way to track and remember all God does for you during this fast. **We are fasting corporately for our vision for 2023: Kingdom Citizenship!**

Kingdom is defined as the eternal spiritual sovereignty of God; the realm over which the sovereignty extends. (The American Heritage Dictionary)

**We will pray individually at 12 noon each day for personal spiritual formation, our church, and the vision for 2023.*

2. Open yourself to God

Fasting is about replacing the daily intake of food, entertainment, and human contact with focused times of prayer, spending large amounts of time feeding on the Word of God, and spiritual listening.

Focus on moving towards a more profound spiritual dependency and away from willful self-dependency.

3. Expect God to respond

Enter into this time by faith and expect God to move according to your faith. Expect God to respond!

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Week 1: I AM a Kingdom Citizen

DAY 1

CONFESSION, REPENTANCE + RESTORATION

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.”

—2 Corinthians 5:17 (NKJV)

PRAYER + REFLECTION

1. As we commence these 21 days, pray and declare your newness in Christ!
2. Understand you are a new creature and old habits and ways have disappeared and will not return.
3. Pray for a willing spirit, and ask the Lord to help you demonstrate perpetual praise in more significant ways throughout your life.
4. Thank God for the opportunity to be a part of His Kingdom.

NOTES:

*Week 1: I AM a Kingdom Citizen***DAY 2****DECLARATION OF SEPARATION FROM THE WORLD**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING

“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.”

—Romans 12:1-2 (NKJV)

PRAYER + REFLECTION

1. Ask God to illuminate to you any limiting beliefs, areas of confirmation bias¹, or internal narratives that do not align with the Word of God.
2. Pray for the Holy Spirit's transformation through the renewal of your mind.
3. Ask the Lord to grant you an understanding of things above and for increased measures of faith that His word will not return void.

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¹Favoring information that supports our personal beliefs over information that does not support our beliefs.

Week 1: I AM a Kingdom Citizen

DAY 3

DECLARATION OF SEPARATION FROM SELF

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING

“Then Jesus said to his disciples, ‘Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me’

—[Matthew 16:24 \(NKJV\)](#)

PRAYER + REFLECTION

1. Say a prayer of gratitude for God's acceptance of you as His disciple.
2. Pray that the Holy Spirit will continually help you to deny yourself daily.
3. What does denying yourself mean for your Kingdom Citizenship? Write your answer below.

NOTES:

*Week 1: I AM a Kingdom Citizen***DAY 4****I AM PROTECTED BY GOD**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING

“My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand. My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of My Father’s hand. I and My Father are one.”

—[John 10:27-30 \(NKJV\)](#)

PRAYER + REFLECTION

1. Ask God for divine protection.
2. Pray for renewed strength, elevated perspective, and courage to rise above present circumstances.
3. Pray for discernment of whether to run or walk in each given situation and believe in His promise of endurance.

NOTES:

*Week 1: I AM a Kingdom Citizen***DAY 5****I HAVE NEW POWER**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING

“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.”

—1 Peter 1:3-5 (NKJV)

PRAYER + REFLECTION

1. Give thanks to God for redemption and new life hidden in Christ.
2. Pray for greater understanding of your new power and the uprooting of anything not planted by Him.
3. Ask God for spiritual eyes and ears to see and hear beyond the physical and the audible.
4. Pray for selfless, emboldened faith to speak truth in love and pursue reconciliation of people to God and one another.

NOTES:

Week 1: I AM a Kingdom Citizen

DAY 6

I HAVE A FRESH ANOINTING

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING

“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.”

—[Acts 1:8 \(NKJV\)](#)

PRAYER + REFLECTION

1. Pray for a fresh anointing, and receive the Spirit's outpouring.
2. Ask God to give you divine dreams, visions, and new insight.
3. Pray that the church would bear fruitful witnesses and that we play our part in the revival that will come to our communities, states, nation, and world.

NOTES:

*Week 1: I AM a Kingdom Citizen***DAY 7****I HAVE A PROMISE OF PEACE + HOPE**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING

“Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. And not only that, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance; and perseverance, character; and character, hope. Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.”

—[Romans 5:1-5 \(NKJV\)](#)

PRAYER + REFLECTION

1. With new intention, seek the Lord for His thoughts toward you—and let hope arise in your heart.
2. Ask God to give you His peace and hope as you function as a Kingdom Citizen.
3. Pray for perseverance and stand firm in the hope of God's promised future for you.

NOTES:

*Week 2: I HAVE a Kingdom Mindset***DAY 8****I SEEK THE KINGDOM FOR ALL THINGS**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING

“Therefore do not worry, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ For after all these things the Gentiles seek. For your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.”

—[Matthew 6:31-33 \(NKJV\)](#)

PRAYER + REFLECTION

1. Ask God to help you remain consistent with seeking the things of the Kingdom and not things of the world.
2. Thank God for the opportunity to have a Kingdom Mindset.
3. Pray to be undeterred, as Jesus was, by things outside of God's Kingdom.
4. Spend time meditating on how our church can demonstrate a Kingdom Mindset.

NOTES:

*Week 2: I HAVE a Kingdom Mindset***DAY 9****I ACCEPT THE THINGS GOD REVEALS TO ME**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING

“Therefore, since we have such hope, we use great boldness of speech— unlike Moses, who put a veil over his face so that the children of Israel could not look steadily at the end of what was passing away. But their minds were blinded. For until this day the same veil remains unlifted in the reading of the Old Testament, because the veil is taken away in Christ. But even to this day, when Moses is read, a veil lies on their heart. Nevertheless when one turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. Now the Lord is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord. For I was the king’s cupbearer.”

—[2 Corinthians 3:12-18 \(NKJV\)](#)

PRAYER + REFLECTION

1. Pray to remain open to accepting the things God will reveal to you.
2. Allow your new mindset to move you to lament, and ask the Lord to give you thoughts, and allow those thoughts to become actions.
3. Pray for our church to “have a mind to work” to get involved in Kingdom building.

NOTES:

*Week 2: I HAVE a Kingdom Mindset***DAY 10****I WILL TAKE INITIATIVE**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING

“I can of Myself do nothing. As I hear, I judge; and My judgment is righteous, because I do not seek My own will but the will of the Father who sent Me. “If I bear witness of Myself, My witness is not true. There is another who bears witness of Me, and I know that the witness which He witnesses of Me is true.”
—[John 5:30-32 \(NKJV\)](#)

PRAYER + REFLECTION

1. Ask God to give you the wisdom and strength to take the initiative in your life, relationships, marriage, and church.
2. Pray that you will have a cadence of uninterrupted initiatives.
3. Pray that you would never avoid or pass by someone clearly in need or a task that needs to be completed.

NOTES:

*Week 2: I HAVE a Kingdom Mindset***DAY 11****I SURRENDER MY MIND TO GOD****TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING**

“Therefore if there is any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and mercy, fulfill my joy by being like-minded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind. Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others. Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross. Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.”

—[Philippians 2:1-11 \(NKJV\)](#)

PRAYER + REFLECTION

1. Pray that you take on the mind of Christ in your life.
2. Ask the Lord how you can engage situations and people as Jesus would.
3. Pray that you would have spiritual discernment to live as a member of God's Kingdom and not a visitor of God's Kingdom.
4. Ask the Spirit to reveal to you how He works in the hearts of those in our church.

RECITE:

*“All to Jesus I surrender;
All to Him I freely give;
I will ever love and trust Him,
In His presence daily live.”*

NOTES:

Week 2: I HAVE a Kingdom Mindset

DAY 12

THE HOLY SPIRIT TAKES RESIDENCE IN ME

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING

“And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever— the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.”

—[John 14:16-17 \(NKJV\)](#)

PRAYER + REFLECTION

1. Pray that you would wholly submit to the Holy Spirit.
2. Pray that you would not only house the Holy Spirit but be filled with the Holy Spirit, and that this infilling will be poured out in every environment you enter.
3. Pray for the Holy Spirit's presence to be evident.

NOTES:

Week 2: I HAVE a Kingdom Mindset

DAY 13

I KNOW THAT GOD IS WITH ME

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING

"The Lord is my shepherd;
I shall not want.
He makes me to lie down in green
pastures;
He leads me beside the still waters.
He restores my soul;
He leads me in the paths of
righteousness
For His name's sake.

You prepare a table before me in the
presence of my enemies;
You anoint my head with oil;
My cup runs over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall
follow me
All the days of my life;
And I will [d]dwell in the house of the
Lord
Forever.

—[Psalm 23:1-6 \(NKJV\)](#)

Yea, though I walk through the valley
of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil;
For You are with me;
Your rod and Your staff, they comfort
me.

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart,
And lean not on your own
understanding;
In all your ways acknowledge Him,
And He shall direct your paths."

—[Proverbs 3:5-6 \(NKJV\)](#)

PRAYER + REFLECTION

1. As we are fasting, let us thank and praise God for always being with us!
2. Ask God to help you trust Him and believe He is always with you.
3. Let God know how much you trust Him as He helps our church to advance His Kingdom.

MAKE THIS DECLARATION:

God is for me.

I will not fear because I know God is walking with me.

I stand with confidence, knowing God is on my side.

I am tearing down walls, defeating giants, and living in freedom because God is with me.

NOTES:

*Week 2: I HAVE a Kingdom Mindset***DAY 14****I THINK, THEREFORE I AM**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING

“Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say, rejoice! Let your gentleness be known to all men. The Lord is at hand. Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy—meditate on these things. The things which you learned and received and heard and saw in me, these do, and the God of peace will be with you.”

— [Philippians 4:4-9 \(NKJV\)](#)

PRAYER + REFLECTION

1. Pray that you are a person who acts and responds as if God's hand is on your life.
2. Pray that you will pattern your life after our text today.
3. Pray that your Kingdom Mind would represent how you live your life as a Kingdom Citizen by thinking about the good things that pertain to the kingdom.
4. Pray that the Holy Spirit helps you commit God's word to memory to lead to higher thinking.

NOTES:

*Week 3: I FUNCTION within the Kingdom***DAY 15****I WILL EQUIP OTHERS**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING

“And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the [e]difying of the body of Christ, till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ; that we should no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, in the cunning craftiness of deceitful plotting, but, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head—Christ— from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love.”

—[Ephesians 4:11-16 \(NKJV\)](#)

PRAYER + REFLECTION

1. Pray that God opens your heart and mind to the teaching and guidance from our church leadership and then move to train others.
2. Pray that God enables you to partner with church leadership on your journey toward helping with the spiritual maturity of others.
3. Pray that God will help you to engage in open, honest, and loving conversations with others.
4. Ask God to equip you to coach and train others to be more like Christ.

NOTES:

*Week 3: I FUNCTION within the Kingdom***DAY 16****I WILL PROMOTE FELLOWSHIP, INTEGRITY, AND HONESTY**

“And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come.”

—[Matthew 24:14 \(NKJV\)](#)

“Dishonest scales are an abomination to the Lord,
But a just weight is His delight.

When pride comes, then comes shame;
But with the humble is wisdom.

The integrity of the upright will guide them,
But the perversity of the unfaithful will destroy them.”

—[Proverbs 11:1-3 \(NKJV\)](#)

“But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear; having a good conscience, that when they defame you as evildoers, those who revile your good conduct in Christ may be ashamed.”

—[1 Peter 3:15-16 \(NKJV\)](#)

PRAYER + REFLECTION

1. Boldly pray that God would allow nothing to flow from you that is unlike Him.
2. Pray that you are not fearful of the offenses from your good conduct.
3. Pray that God gives you the wisdom and strength to correct those in our church that devalue fellowship, integrity, and honesty.

NOTES:

*Week 3: I FUNCTION within the Kingdom***DAY 17****I HAVE A GIVING HEART**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING

“Both riches and honor come from You,
And You reign over all.
In Your hand is power and might;
In Your hand it is to make great
And to give strength to all.

Now therefore, our God,
We thank You
And praise Your glorious name.
But who am I, and who are my people,
That we should be able to offer so willingly as this?
For all things come from You,
And of Your own we have given You.”
—[1 Chronicles 29:12-14 \(NKJV\)](#)

“Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord your
God which He has given you.”
—[Deuteronomy 16:17 \(NKJV\)](#)

PRAYER + REFLECTION

1. Pray that God helps you to understand the importance of giving.
2. Pray to become a better steward of all God has given to you.
3. Ask God to uncover needs within our church, community, and globally, and that He works through you to help meet those needs.
4. Thank and praise God for all that He has given you.

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*Week 3: I FUNCTION within the Kingdom***DAY 18****I OPERATE IN AUTHORITY**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING

“And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, “**All** authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”

—[Matthew 28:18-19 \(NKJV\)](#)

PRAYER + REFLECTION

1. Ask God to help you understand the importance of knowing and understanding who you are in Christ Jesus and your authority in Christ our Lord.
2. Pray for the activation of your kingdom authority in all aspects of life.
3. Pray that God's authority would help our church to live the life for which Jesus called us and to walk in our inheritance as children of God.

NOTES:

Week 3: I FUNCTION within the Kingdom

DAY 19

I MOVE WITH INTENTIONALITY

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING

“The soul of a lazy man desires, and has nothing;
But the soul of the diligent shall be made rich.”

— [Proverbs 13:4 \(NKJV\)](#)

“But above all, my brethren, do not swear, either by heaven or by earth or with any other oath. But let your “Yes” be “Yes,” and your “No,” “No,” lest you fall into judgment.”

— [James 5:12 \(NKJV\)](#)

“Walk in wisdom toward those who are outside, redeeming the time.”

— [Colossians 4:5 \(NKJV\)](#)

PRAYER + REFLECTION

1. Ask the Lord to deliver you from laziness and slothfulness this year.
2. Pray for signs, wonders, and the gifts of the Holy Spirit to spark new movements of people in our church.
3. Pray that our actions and activity reflect persistence as we fulfill God's purpose for us.

NOTES:

*Week 3: I FUNCTION within the Kingdom***DAY 20****I OPERATE IN COOPERATION AND PURPOSE**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING

“Behold, how good and how pleasant it is
For brethren to dwell together in unity!

It is like the precious oil upon the head,
Running down on the beard,
The beard of Aaron,
Running down on the edge of his garments.

It is like the dew of Hermon,
Descending upon the mountains of Zion;
For there the Lord commanded the blessing—
Life forevermore.”

—[Psalm 133:1-3 \(NKJV\)](#)

“Be of the same mind toward one another. Do not set your mind on high things,
but associate with the humble. Do not be wise in your own opinion.”

—[Romans 12:16 \(NKJV\)](#)

PRAYER + REFLECTION

1. Pray that God increases your awareness to cooperate more and stand shoulder to shoulder with those in our church to carry out Kingdom purpose.
2. Pray that our church's unity will continue to grow into a mighty thread that is not broken.
3. Pray that we would open our hearts and minds to cooperate in Kingdom work with like-minded churches.
4. Ask God to show you instances and areas where you function as an individual and not within the body. Repent wholeheartedly and be moved by the Spirit to adjust your behavior.

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Week 3: I FUNCTION within the Kingdom

DAY 21

I PLAY MY PART IN GOD'S KINGDOM

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING

“For as the body is one and has many members, but all the members of that one body, being many, are one body, so also is Christ. For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free—and have all been made to drink into one Spirit. For in fact the body is not one member but many.

If the foot should say, “Because I am not a hand, I am not of the body,” is it therefore not of the body? And if the ear should say, “Because I am not an eye, I am not of the body,” is it therefore not of the body? If the whole body were an eye, where would be the hearing? If the whole were hearing, where would be the smelling? But now God has set the members, each one of them, in the body just as He pleased. And if they were all one member, where would the body be?

But now indeed there are many members, yet one body. And the eye cannot say to the hand, “I have no need of you”; nor again the head to the feet, “I have no need of you.” No, much rather, those members of the body which seem to be weaker are necessary. And those members of the body which we think to be less honorable, on these we bestow greater honor; and our unrepresentable parts have greater modesty, but our presentable parts have no need. But God composed the body, having given greater honor to that part which lacks it, that there should be no [h]schism in the body, but that the members should have the same care for one another. And if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; or if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it.”

Now you are the body of Christ, and members individually...”

— 1 Corinthians 12:12-27 (NKJV)

PRAYER + REFLECTION

1. Ask God to guide you as you identify your role in the church.
2. Ask God to help nurture your role and function to bring about significant change in the body.
3. Pray that our church will continue to grow through evangelism, healthy discipleship, relationship building, fellowship, and missionary vibrancy.

ADDITIONAL NOTES + OBSERVATIONS

TAKE TIME TO RECORD WHAT THE LORD HAS SAID OR REVEALED TO YOU DURING THE LAST 21 DAYS.

THANK YOU!

Living Word Bible Fellowship Family,

Thank you for taking the time each day to remain committed to this fast. I hope these 21 Days of Prayer and Fasting have blessed you and that you feel better equipped for the year ahead as we grow in the Lord together.

I pray you feel the Holy Spirit inspire you daily in your walk with Christ. We pray expectantly that the Lord will help us all to be Kingdom Citizens indeed, remain Kingdom Minded, and take our rightful place in God's Kingdom this year—in our lives, our church, our country and global communities.

I am excited about 2023 and what God will do to us and through us, but remember, it takes all of us!

Our faithfulness, prayers, and intentionality will bring about significant change. Let us all seek greater in 2023!

God Bless You,

J. Robinson

Pastor Jeremy

