

How Do I Start?

Welcome to **day 6** of our 21 days of prayer and fasting! In our culture, when we talk about hope it almost sounds like wishful thinking. “I hope I get the job.” “I hope they like me.” “I hope it snows this weekend!” But in the Kingdom of God hope means something far better than wishful thinking. The Biblical definition of hope is “the confident expectation of what God has promised and His faithfulness to fulfill those promises.” We don’t waste our time with wishful thinking. We focus our time, energy, and resources on what we already know to be true. How do we know? Because we KNOW GOD!! I am completely confident God has a bright and thriving future in store for our church. Do I know the details? Of course not. Am I confident in where He is leading us? Absolutely. God tells the people in Exodus 19:10 to “prepare for His arrival.” God has brought us to point where our only hope is to trust Him. He is our strategy moving forward and we want to be ready for Him. How can we do that? Well... We need to ensure our hands are clean and our spirits are in tune with His Spirit. If we are going to move forward as a church we have to deal with God first. We have discovered the last two Sundays the will of God is found in our relationship with God. Our sin separates us from God and causes us to be outside of His will. We need to be intentional as we prepare for His arrival.

Things to pray about today:

1. Lord, give me an unquenchable hope for our future as a church.
2. Father, what promises do you have in store for our church?
3. What is keeping me from fully following you?

Today’s Reading - Exodus 19 - 20:21

Read the passage for today and write down anything that stood out to you. God primarily speaks through His word, so, if something “jumped off the page” that was probably God revealing something to you or to our church family. Write it down!

Pray

Write out your prayer. Or at least the main points. I like to do this section in a different color.

Listen

Take time to listen to what God is saying to you. Check your understanding against the truth of His word. He will never tell you something that contradicts His word. Be sure to listen throughout the day even after you leave the sanctuary. As He speaks, write it down! I like to use a third color for this part

Date: _____

What's on my mind?

Prayer

Today's Scripture

Listen