



PASTOR BRAD HOWARD - AUGUST 7, 2022

THE 21 - PRAYER AND FASTING

August 7 - 27

Monday - Friday, 6 AM - 7 AM

Saturday, 9 AM

At that time I, Daniel, mourned for three weeks. I ate no choice food; no meat or wine touched my lips; and I used no lotions at all until the three weeks were over.

Daniel 10:2-3 NIV

Types of Fasts

1. Absolute: no food or water.
2. Normal: abstaining from food but drinking lots of water.
3. Partial: can be done in a variety of ways (fruits, vegetables, beans - Daniel Fast).

HERE'S WHAT WE ARE GOING TO BE PRAYING FOR AS A CHURCH:

1. We'll be praying for a spiritual awakening across our Lone Star State and our country.
#1 Priority - Souls!
2. We'll be praying for the people of Lakeshore Church to go to their next level of spiritual maturity.
3. We'll be praying for our Journey Campaign. Stepping out in faith for over and above giving to see a vision come to life, to experience a supernatural journey into the future of our church, to be a part the Advancing God's Kingdom in this last day.
4. We'll be praying to move the vision forward.
5. We'll be praying for everyone to connect in a Small Group this semester
6. We'll be praying for our students, schools, teachers, and administrators.



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5 REASONS TO PRAY

"Is not this the kind of fasting I have chosen: to loose the chains of injustice and untie the cords of the yoke, to set the oppressed free and break every yoke? Is it not to share your food with the hungry and to provide the poor wanderer with shelter— when you see the naked, to clothe them, and not to turn away from your own flesh and blood? Then your light will break forth like the dawn, and your healing will quickly appear; then your righteousness will go before you, and the glory of the LORD will be your rear guard. Then you will call, and the LORD will answer; you will cry for help, and he will say: Here am I. "If you do away with the yoke of oppression, with the pointing finger and malicious talk, and if you spend yourselves in behalf of the hungry and satisfy the needs of the oppressed, then your light will rise in the darkness, and your night will become like the noonday. The LORD will guide you always; he will satisfy your needs in a sun-scorched land and will strengthen your frame. You will be like a well-watered garden, like a spring whose waters never fail. Your people will rebuild the ancient ruins and will raise up the age-old foundations; you will be called Repairer of Broken Walls, Restorer of Streets with Dwellings.

Isaiah 58:6-12 NIV

1. TO BREAK OUT OF SPIRITUAL RUTS.

"Is this not the fast that I have chosen: To loose the bonds of wickedness, To undo the heavy burdens, To let the oppressed go free, And that you break every yoke?

Isaiah 58:6 NKJV

2. TO BE THE CHURCH.

Is it not to share your food with the hungry and to provide the poor wanderer with shelter— when you see the naked, to clothe them, and not to turn away from your own flesh and blood? Then your light will break forth like the dawn, and your healing will quickly appear; then your righteousness will go before you, and the glory of the LORD will be your rear guard. Then you will call, and the LORD will answer; you will cry for help, and he will say: Here am I. "If you do away with the yoke of oppression, with the pointing finger and malicious talk, and if you spend yourselves in behalf of the hungry and satisfy the needs of the oppressed, then your light will rise in the darkness, and your night will become like the noonday.

Isaiah 58:7-10 NIV



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3. TO ENCOUNTER GOD ON A NEW LEVEL.

The LORD will guide you always; he will satisfy your needs in a sun-scorched land and will strengthen your frame.

Isaiah 58:11 NIV

4. TO EXPERIENCE A PERSONAL REVIVAL.

You will be like a well-watered garden, like a spring whose waters never fail.

Isaiah 58:11b NIV

5. TO REACH THOSE WHO ARE NOT HERE YET.

Your people will rebuild the ancient ruins and will raise up the age-old foundations; you will be called Repairer of Broken Walls, Restorer of Streets with Dwellings.

Isaiah 58:12 NIV