

21-DAY FAST AND PRAY JANUARY 21, 2019

The devil hates prayer.

Prayer is a wartime walkie-talkie, not a domestic intercom. God is more like a general in Command Central than a butler waiting to bring you another pillow in the den. Of course, he is also Father, Lover, Friend, Physician, Shepherd, Helper, King, Savior, Lord, Counselor. But in this fallen “world with devils filled,” prayer will function best when we keep the frequency tuned to Command Central in the fight of faith. – John Piper

John 13:34-35: A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.

1 John 4:20-21: If anyone says, “I love God,” and hates (works against) his [Christian] brother he is a liar; for the one who does not love his brother whom he has seen, cannot love God whom he has not seen. And this commandment we have from Him, that the one who loves God should also [unselfishly] love his brother and seek the best for him.

1. Pray for the Man O’ War Church members to have love for one another.

The Apostle Paul made it plain in Ephesians that God’s vision of the family is to be a portrait of the church. The church cannot be healthy or whole when individual members in the family are sick – mentally, physically or spiritually.

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The church is to be a reflection of God's nature of oneness; of love, compassion, holiness, faithfulness, forgiveness, commitment, sacrifice, sanctification, perfect communication, positive conflict resolution in the same manner as Christ resolved inner conflict with God the Father (recall the prayer at the Gethsemane). So, in this prayer, we pray for this church that we will genuinely **“love one another as Christ loved the church and gave Himself for her...”**

2. Pray for our families. Pray that husbands & wives will be of the same mind, maintain the same love, be united in spirit, have no division, achieve oneness of love, compassion, holiness, faithfulness, forgiveness, commitment, sacrifice, sanctification, perfect communication, positive conflict resolution, so that others will know that they are His disciples.

Apostle Paul writes in *Romans 15:1-2*:

Now we who are strong [in our convictions and faith] ought to [patiently] put up with the weaknesses of those who are not strong, and not just please ourselves. Let each one of us [make it a practice to] please his [a]neighbor for his good, to build him up spiritually.

Apostle Paul calls for this kind of unity in *Phil. 2:1-3*:

“Therefore if there is any encouragement in Christ, if there is any consolation of love, if there is any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and compassion, make my joy complete by being of the same mind, maintaining the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose. “

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Pray that families will serve one another in love and that parents will wisely train their children live humbly and follow God. Pray that our lights will shine brightly as spirit-filled families and that the world will know that we are His disciples because we love one another.

*John 15:8: By this my Father is glorified, that you bear **much fruit** and so prove to be my disciples.*

*Matthew 7:17: So, every healthy tree **bears good fruit**, but the diseased tree **bears bad fruit**.*

3. Pray for Kingdom Revival to come to this City and the whole world. Pray that the lost would be saved and the immature will grow up in Him to become agents of change - empowered, enabled and mobilized to turn this world upside down with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

“If we pray for revival instead of obeying God, we should not pray for revival; we should pray a prayer of repentance.” – Alvin Reid

Note the words of Tozer: *“Have you noticed how much praying for revival has been going on of late — and how little revival has resulted? I believe the problem is that we have been trying to substitute praying for obeying, and it simply will not work.”*

***“If we see revival as God’s stamp of approval on our status quo Christianity, we may not desire the answer God gives.”** Revival always brings change to music and*

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methods and separates our preferences from His unchanging truth.

When we pray for revival, we should pray, “Lord, start with my own heart.”

should pray for revival, starting with our own hearts. I know I am experiencing a

fresh touch of God when I stop confessing everyone else’s sins and start

confessing my own. _Since God placed us here, this is our primary harvest field.

Let us pray for Kingdom Revival here. This church, this city, this region, this day.

Amen.

Conclude your prayer time with praise. Psalm 145 is the perfect guide.

Psalm 145 NASB

I will extol You, my God, O King, and I will bless Your name forever and ever.

Every day I will bless You, and I will praise Your name forever and ever.

Great is the Lord, and highly to be praised, and His greatness is unsearchable.

One generation shall praise Your works to another, and shall declare Your mighty

acts. On the glorious splendor of Your majesty and on Your wonderful works, I will

meditate. Men shall speak of the power of Your awesome acts, and I will tell of

Your greatness. They shall eagerly utter the memory of Your abundant goodness

and will shout joyfully of Your righteousness.

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The Lord is gracious and merciful; Slow to anger and great in lovingkindness. The Lord is good to all, and His mercies are over all His works. All Your works shall give thanks to You, O Lord, and Your godly ones shall bless You. They shall speak of the glory of Your kingdom and talk of Your power; To make known to the sons of men Your mighty acts and the glory of the majesty of Your kingdom. Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and Your dominion endures throughout all generations.

The Lord sustains all who fall and raises up all who are bowed down.

The eyes of all look to You, and You give them their food in due time.

You open Your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

The Lord is righteous in all His ways and kind in all His deeds. The Lord is near to all who call upon Him, to all who call upon Him in truth. He will fulfill the desire of those who fear Him; He will also hear their cry and will save them. The Lord keeps all who love Him, but all the wicked He will destroy. My mouth will speak the praise of the Lord, and all flesh will bless His holy name forever and ever.