

Big Idea

Pastor Curt – Part 1

Have you ever wondered why sometimes your prayers don't get answered, why there is no breakthrough, or why it seems something is missing in your life? Jesus' disciples did. Reading between the lines it seems the disciples were healing people until they could not heal a man's son in Matthew 17. Jesus identifies the problem (**unbelieving and perverse generation**), identifies the solution (**prayer and fasting**), then heals the boy. Pastor Curt encouraged us to ask ourselves two questions: **Lord, is there a place I'm not connected enough?** And, **Lord, have I been dabbling too much in the junk of this world?**

As we begin our 21 Days of Prayer and Fasting, Pastor Curt gave us five objectives to focus on: **1. Declaring our dependence 2. Ask for forgiveness 3. Refocus on the eternal 4. Invite the presence of God in all things 5. Believe God for answers** Stepping into these objectives will powerfully connect you to God.

Discussion Questions

- Can you identify with this: Your prayers not getting answered, you're not seeing a breakthrough in various situations, or something missing from your life? Would you be willing to share it with us?
- PC said, "COVID has revealed how connected we are to the "world". What have you been building your life on?" What has COVID revealed in your life?
- PC described how fasting works. What does he say about body, soul, and spirit regarding fasting? Which of these three is dominant in your life.?
- PC gave us three specific things we can do to connect with God. What were these three specific things?
- Discuss why you believe going all in during the 21 Days of prayer will help you to experience God at a higher level.
- Explain your need for God then share how it looks to depend on Him. What practical steps need to be taken for you to rely on Him entirely?
- Which of the five objectives are resonating most in your spirit for these 21 Days of Prayer and Fasting? Share what you are believing God to do in your life over these three weeks.

Prayer Focus

Thank God for being a good Father who is attentive to your prayers. Thank Him for being trustworthy and dependable. Pray through the five declarations and believe for God to move powerfully to bring revival to our nation, freedom to whatever area in which you are struggling, blessing where there is trouble, wisdom for any decisions you have coming up for your future, and victory over the enemy in every facet of your life.

Next Steps

Decide on a method of fasting for the next three weeks, and commit to following it closely. Commit to participating in every prayer service during these 21 days. Stir up your faith, and expect God to move in your life in a powerful way

Leader Tip

As we embark on 21 Days of Prayer, encourage your group to participate daily and anticipate a mighty move of God during this harvest season.