

40 DAYS

# PREPARE YOUR HEART

EASTER 2020



## JOIN US IN TAKING 40 DAYS TO PREPARE OUR HEARTS!

Easter is among the most significant events in history. Jesus overcame the power of death and inaugurated the New Creation. But we all know that life can get in the way of intimacy with this great Creator and real devotion to his cause. As a church, let us prepare our hearts to encounter the risen Lord! Let us create the space to be met by God. Corporately, let us take these 40 days to **fast, read Scripture and a classic devotional book**, come together for a **prayer vigil**, and celebrate the risen Lord during **special services**.

## FAST

### Dedicate your Monday to fasting

Choose to fast for one meal or the entire day. Fast from food. Opt to do the "Daniel Fast" consisting of solely fruits, vegetables and water. Fast from social media, or media overall (beyond what's required for work and/or school).

Why fast\*? Fasting can...

- Reveal what you value or are enslaved by
- Focus you: help set your mind & spirit on God
- Increase your hunger for spiritual food
- Humble you; set your reliance on God
- Restore the loss of the "first love," that is Christ
- Lead you to repentance
- Result in personal revival

\*Acts 13: 1-3; Psalm 35:13; Ezra 8:21

What does healthy, holy fasting look like? [READ MORE](#)

## RENEW YOUR MIND

### Spend time reading

Prioritize time in the Word. In this guide is a 40-day reading plan that will take you through 40 chapters in the Bible, one chapter a day.

We also encourage you to read along with us A.W. Tozer's **Knowledge of the Holy**, on the Nature of God. The book is available as a [PDF](#) or for purchase at the Resource Desk.

## PRAYER

### Talk to God and be in His presence

Pray daily. Praise God for who He is; thank Him for His goodness; call on Him to help you in your need; lay your burdens before Him; ask Him to guide you; be still before Him.

Join us for a prayer vigil **Saturday, April 4, 2020**

## SPECIAL SERVICES

Prayer vigil: Saturday, April 4, 7 PM to 12 AM

Good Friday: Friday, April 10 at 6 p.m.

Easter: Sunday, April 12

- Bible Study Breakfasts at 9:30 a.m.
- Celebration at 11:00 a.m.

*He is Risen!*

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| 1. Genesis 1 – Creation                 | 21. Matthew 16 – Peter’s confession    |
| 2. Genesis 12 - Abrahamic Covenant      | 22. Luke 2 – Christ’s birth            |
| 3. Exodus 12 – Passover                 | 23. Luke 22 – Last Supper              |
| 4. Exodus 20 – Commandments             | 24. John 1 – The Word                  |
| 5. Deuteronomy 6 – God’s Word           | 25. John 3 – New Birth                 |
| 6. Joshua 6 – Jericho                   | 26. John 10 – Good shepherd            |
| 7. 1 Kings 18 – Fire from heaven        | 27. John 14 – Heaven                   |
| 8. 2 Kings 22 – Bible found             | 28. John 15 – Vine                     |
| 9. Esther 8 – Esther’s plea             | 29. Acts 2 – Pentecost                 |
| 10. Job 38 – God’s questions            | 30. Acts 9 – Saul’s conversion         |
| 11. Psalm 37 – Trusting God             | 31. Romans 5 – Justification           |
| 12. Psalm 51- Repentance                | 32. Romans 8 – Security in Christ      |
| 13. Psalm 119 – God’s way               | 33. 1 Corinthians 12 – Spiritual gifts |
| 14. Proverbs 7 – Sexual purity          | 34. 1 Corinthians 15 – Resurrection    |
| 15. Isaiah 40 - God’s greatness & glory | 35. Gal 5 – 2 natures                  |
| 16. Isaiah 53 - the Messiah             | 36. Ephesians 6 – Christian armor      |
| 17. Daniel 5 - Writing on the Wall      | 37. Hebrews 11 – Faith                 |
| 18. Joel 2 – Holy Spirit                | 38. James 2 – False faith              |
| 19. Matthew 5 – Beatitudes              | 39. Revelation 19 – Second coming      |
| 20. Matthew 6 – Lord’s Prayer           | 40. Revelation 21 – New Heaven         |

ONE CHAPTER A DAY, 40 DAYS OF READING

