



21 DAYS OF PRAYER & FASTING

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# DAY 1

## A Season Of Beyond

*Ephesians 3:20*

Our Vision for 2023 is "A Season of Beyond." We believe that the season God is bringing us into is BEYOND; beyond where we are, to see an increase in lives changed, people growing in faith, discovering their purpose and people serving to make a difference. Ephesians 3:20 NASB says, "now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly BEYOND all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us."

Through prayer and seeking God during the last few months, He has brought me back to our mission time and again: Know God, Grow in Faith, Discover Purpose & Make a Difference. It is my prayer that God will help us see an increase in our mission. To prepare ourselves to go beyond, we must prepare our hearts through prayer. At the core of prayer is an ever-deepening relationship with God and it's that deeper relationship with God that is going to be what propels us beyond. James 5:16 says, "the effectual, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much."

Let us use the next 21 days of prayer & fasting to go deeper in our relationship with God and inevitably we will experience the blessings of God. The book of Acts 4:31 tells us that after they prayed, the place where they were meeting was shaken. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God boldly.

### **Prayer:**

*Lord help us to surrender to you this year and put you first in our lives. Let us make prayer a priority so that we can walk in favor and increase. We declare this year to be a year of beyond. Beyond status quo, beyond the ordinary to reap a harvest of lives changed, growing in faith, discovering their purpose and making a difference.*



// **Daylon Mooneyham - Lead Pastor**

# DAY 2

## A Life On Mission

The mission of Farmington Heights Church is best described in four simple strategic steps: to help you (1) know God, (2) grow your faith, (3) discover your purpose, so you can ultimately (4) make a difference. Knowing God is about a personal relationship, not simply a "head knowledge." Growing your faith is a life-long journey of discipleship that involves studying the Bible, establishing personal devotions, and becoming involved in small groups. Life-change and spiritual growth happen best within the context of meaningful relationships. In other words, we grow best when we interact with others. Discovering your purpose involves awareness of your behavioral profile, or the way God made you, and your spiritual gifts, or what God gave you (our Growth Track at Farmington Heights Church helps to identify these elements for you). Discovering your purpose leads to fulfillment in life, since you begin doing what God has created you to do. This is when you can make a difference in life by using your abilities to serve and pour into the lives of others. You make a difference with your life when you serve God through serving others.

In order for our church to be "on mission", it is vital for each of us to not only be intentional with these steps in our own lives, but to also help others around us to apply and embrace these steps in their lives as well.

### **Prayer:**

*Father, help me to be intentional about growing my faith and discovering my purpose so I can make a difference in my life through serving others! Let me always be "on mission" for You!*



**// Scott Sauls - Administrative Pastor**

# DAY 3

## Do You Truly Know Him?

*John 10:27*

Going to church and truly knowing God are two very different things. Some may feel that by doing good deeds and by being a part of our church they're doing everything they should be doing, but there's so much more that God has for us. What do you think about when you think about the simple word know? Maybe someone just came to mind that you know. Maybe you thought about how you know that the sky is blue, or lyrics to a song that you know. When we truly know something, we don't need to be convinced or swayed. For instance, I know that I love my two sons with all my heart. The moment they were born I knew. I didn't need to be told, I didn't need to be coached, and most importantly, they didn't need to do anything to earn my love. God wants to have a relationship with you and He wants you to know Him as a Father and friend. Not just hear about him week to week, or read about him, but to truly know him. John 10:27 says "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me". Whether you're new to the faith, have doubts, or have been a christian for years, God is calling you to know him intimately. We must abandon ourselves and follow this shepherd that not only laid down His life, but is calling the church to our own cross and to follow him.

### **Prayer:**

*God, help me to know you more intimately and reveal to me the places in my life that I've not totally surrendered to you. I want to grow closer to you every day and to know your voice. I surrender everything I am to you. Amen.*



// Josh Lynch - Worship & Creative Arts Pastor

# DAY 4

## Knowing God

*Luke 4:43, Matthew 6:10*

Pope Francis has always been a soccer fan, and he sent a message wishing that the soccer World Cup would become a celebration of solidarity between peoples. "Sport is not only a form of entertainment, but also, I would say, that it is, above all, an instrument to communicate values that promote the good of the human person and help build a more peaceful and fraternal society," the Latin American Pope said.

Luke, the evangelist, tells us (Luke 4:43) that Jesus went around Galilee preaching. What was that message that was so popular and made people stop him? The Gospel of the kingdom of God. Jesus proclaimed the nearness of the kingdom of God as good news. Perhaps nothing in the gospels explains the kingdom of God better, so simply or so well, as the prayer that Jesus taught his followers. "Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven" (Matthew 6:10). God reigns on earth where His will is done with the same complete respect as in heaven.

Our job as Christians is to communicate the good news on this earth to establish the kingdom of God. Doing His will, in this way, we will be in this world the instruments that communicate values that promote the good of people, and salvation, and we will help build a more peaceful and fraternal society focused on the party that we will have in eternity.

### **Prayer:**

*Lord, help us to communicate the good news of the gospel clearly, efficiently, and boldly. Make me an instrument that promotes your kingdom here on earth.*



// **Cacho Torres - Latino Pastor**

# DAY 5

## Why Faith?

Matthew 21:22

So here we are, another new year. There is something special that the new year brings. Resolutions, opportunities, a chance to start fresh. Every year we start the year with the vision God has given our pastor and this year it is "A Season of Beyond" here at Farmington Heights, but also in our personal lives. So I ask this question today, why do we need to grow our faith to have a season of beyond? See, scripture tells us that whatever we ask in prayer, we will receive IF we have FAITH (Matthew 21:22). In a world that knowledge is doubling every 12 hours, there are many times we try to figure it out on our own. We check so many other resources, but if we want to live in a "season of beyond" we must grow our faith in God, not in Google or our friends. We can't get to a season of beyond without growing our faith. If you aren't growing you will never get "beyond" where you are right now. If we want to get beyond where we are right now, we must petition and take everything to The Lord, because His word says that whatever we ask for in prayer, when you have FAITH you will receive it.

So I want to encourage you today, have faith in knowing that God is working it out right now. Continue to pray and seek Him above all else. Have faith in knowing whatever you have asked for in prayer, when you grow your faith, you will receive it in Jesus name!

### **Prayer:**

*Lord, today help me to grow my faith. Help me to grow my prayer life and to expect that what you say will come to pass. Father today I declare that this year I will go beyond where I've been. I receive it in faith today!*



// Cecil Ayers - Student Pastor

# DAY 6

## Purposeful Life

1 Peter 2:9

Our purpose in life is the reason we were ever created. Without knowing our true purpose, we are allowing the lies of confusion, doubt & fear to convince us we have no purpose and that we do not matter. This leads us into an identity crisis. We think "I'm not good enough," "No one cares about me," "I'm not needed," and so on.

Knowing God as our Father and Creator gives us confidence in discovering our true purpose. Our true purpose is simply this - to declare His praises; to proclaim His goodness.

1 Peter 2:9 says, "For we are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that we may declare the praises of Him who called us out of darkness into His wonderful light."

So, how do we discover our purpose? Knowing God for ourselves. And how do we then activate our purpose? Proclaiming God to others.

### **Prayer:**

*Lord, today I ask that you give me eyes to see the purpose You have for me. Remind me who You've created me to be and continue to guide my feet in the direction You would have me to go. I desire to know You more Lord. Help me live out my God purpose daily.*



// Kaci Davis - Children's Pastor

# DAY 7

## Going Beyond To Make a Difference

Mark 14:1-9

God has called us all to go beyond, to make a difference in this hurting world. This isn't something that God has called a select group to do, but it is for all of us. I had a very good friend in ministry tell me one time, "you can't be everything to everyone, but you have to be willing to be anything to anyone." God gave us many examples of going beyond in scripture, one of my favorite reminders is in Mark 14.

The woman with the alabaster box of oil, she went well beyond what most people thought was necessary for Jesus. She took the most expensive thing she had and used it to prepare Christ's body for burial. She did all that she could to show Jesus that she honored Him, His position and His ministry. In the eyes of a lot of people that day, it was a waste of money and time, but not to her. She was giving all that she could to help further His ministry.

God is wanting us to go beyond what we may think is normal, or what is necessary and make ourselves available to be a blessing to someone else. If we all rally together to go Beyond, we can make a difference in our community and our surrounding areas.

### **Prayer:**

*God help us look for ways to go beyond what we think is necessary. Help our hearts to love beyond our comfort levels and empower us to make a difference for you.*



**// Daylon Mooneyham - Lead Pastor**

# DAY 8

## Reconnect With Knowing God

*John 4:7-30*

Can you remember when you first invited Christ into your life? Those early days of the Christian life were filled with joy, excitement, fervor, and boldness. We could not wait to get back to church. We found ourselves reading our Bible often. It seemed every sermon spoke directly to us. We would respond to altar calls because we wanted more. More joy... more excitement...more fervor...more boldness...more of what God had for us.

And then it happened. Not all at once, but slowly over time. Eventually we looked back and saw things had changed. You know... the joy calmed, the excitement subsided, the fervor cooled, and the boldness waned. Do you ever wonder what happened? We could say "life happened," but what does that mean? Some would question if God changed, but scripture teaches that the Lord does not change (Hebrews 13:8, Malachi 3:6). So, the only available option is that we changed.

Let this be a reminder to you that God can come to right where you currently are in life! He knows where you are. He can give you "water" to where you will never thirst again. He knows you. He knows everything about you, yet He loves you just the same. Let's reconnect with God so we can restore our joy, reclaim our excitement, rekindle our fervor, and regain our boldness. Then, we can say to others, "Come see a man..." and they will make their way towards Him.

### **Prayer:**

*Father, help me to reconnect with you in a way that restores my joy, excitement, fervor and boldness. I want to know You in ways I have never known you before. Reveal Yourself to me, I pray.*



**// Scott Sauls - Administrative Pastor**

# DAY 9

## Discover Purpose Beyond

Matthew 16:18

We're all an important part of God's plan, and he created you and I for a specific purpose. You are not an accident. No matter what anyone has told you, or how you feel, you were created perfectly and God has a plan for you. Each one of us is wired differently. We think, look, feel and act differently. The beautiful thing about the plan of God is that he chose imperfect people to create his church. Jesus told Peter in Matthew 16, "upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell will not overcome it". Although Jesus knew Peter would deny him three times, he still chose Peter to build his church. God's choosing you and I to carry out his plan and to share this gospel with a hurting world. We'll never be truly fulfilled in life until we understand our part in this plan. That's why we believe it's so vital that you discover the purpose God has for you and that you use your internal wiring to fulfill it. So often we see people around us who seem so good at things we wish we were good at, and we let discouragement rob us of our potential. God is calling you to not stare at a stage or a social media feed at someone else's purpose, but to discover your own. As you pray and fast, ask God to reveal to you the things he's put inside of you that you're truly passionate about. It could be that he's waiting for you to use those passions for His glory.

### **Prayer:**

*God, reveal to me right now the ways that you've wired me and show me how I can use those things to serve you. I recognize that there's so much you're calling me to do. Today, I'm committing to discovering my unique purpose so that your will is done in and through my life. Amen.*



// Josh Lynch - Worship & Creative Arts Pastor

# DAY 10

## Guide Your Purpose

*Acts 7:22&25, Romans 12:2*

What can we learn from the life of Moses? First, he was instructed "in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, and he was mighty in his words and deeds" (Acts 7:22). As the suffering of the Hebrews began to disturb his soul, Moses took it upon himself to be the savior of his people. "[Moses] thought that his brothers understood that God would set them free by his hand" (Acts 7:25). From this incident, we learn that Moses was a man of action, as well as a man who had a quick temper and was prone to rash actions. Did God want to save the people? Yes. Did God want to use Moses as His chosen instrument of salvation? Yes. But Moses, whether or not he was indeed aware of his role in the salvation of the Hebrew people, acted rashly and impetuously.

Nevertheless, he tried to do what God wanted to do in his time. The lesson for us is evident: we must be aware not only of God's will but of doing His will in His time and not in ours. When we try to do God's will in our time, we can make things worse than they started. Romans 12:2 helps us discover God's purpose. "And do not adapt yourselves to this world, but transform yourselves by renewing your mind, so that you may verify God's will: what is good, acceptable and perfect."

### **Prayer:**

*Lord, as we discover our purpose, we ask that you guide us in Your purpose. Help us to be aware of your perfect timing and to always trust you and lean not on our own understanding.*



// Cacho Torres - Latino Pastor

# DAY 11

## Did It Even Matter?

Hebrews 10:24-25

Have you ever sat back and thought about something you've done for someone else. Maybe it was the time you invested in someone, or maybe it was that team you coached and you wondered "have I even made a difference?" Did it even matter when you paid for the persons meal behind you at Chick-Fil-A but you didn't see a reaction? Let me be the first to say, you were making a difference!

This year as we look at the "Season of Beyond" and how we can increase the difference that we are making around us, the scripture in Hebrews 10:24-25 comes to mind. As I begin to think about how this scripture says to stir up one another to love and good works, I'm reminded that our great commission and call is to make disciples. When you begin to make disciples and we start stirring up the gifts and talents that God has placed in other people, you will begin to see that person going out and making a difference because you made a difference in them. You will see that it mattered. Every moment you invested and every dollar you spent mattered. I want to encourage you today, stay the course, even when it doesn't seem like you have made a difference, remember you are stirring up gifts and talents in others and you are making disciples.

### **Prayer:**

*Lord, help me to stir up the gifts and talents that you have placed in others. Today, help me to look for an opportunity to make a difference in someone's life that they then will go and make a difference in others and together we can go out unto all the world and make disciples. Lord, let us increase the difference we are making in our community!*



// Cecil Ayers - Student Pastor

# DAY 12

## Know & Go Beyond

*Proverbs 3:5-6, 2 Corinthians 5:7, Psalm 100:3*

Proverbs 3:5-6 says, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding."

Knowing God beyond where you are means trusting God with all that you are.

- With all your heart
- With all your soul
- With all your strength
- That means... your everything.

When we truly trust God with our everything, we can then go beyond where we are to what He has next for us.

2 Corinthians 5:7 instructs us to "walk by faith, not by sight". Simply put, we must go and trust. We are able to trust God because we know who God is. Just as Psalm 100:3 says, "Know the Lord, He is God; It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves; We are His people and the sheep of His pasture."

### **Prayer:**

*Heavenly Father, I come to You today, asking that You help me with any unbelief that may be present in my life. Though circumstances in my life may try to blur my focus, I ask that You give me supernatural strength to keep my eyes fixed on you. Let faith rise up within me so that I may go deeper with You beyond where I am today.*



*// Kaci Davis - Children's Pastor*

# DAY 13

## Growing Beyond

2 Peter 3:18, Ephesians 3:17-19

When I think about growing in faith beyond where we are there must be discipline. Jesus said those that come after Him must deny themselves and take up the cross and follow Him. Being a disciple of Jesus Christ means following after the Lord, being a doer of the word and not just a hearer. 2 Peter 3:18 says "grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory, both now and to the day of eternity." I want to share four ways to grow your faith beyond where you are in this new year.

### 1. Make reading God's word a priority

"But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in His name." John 20:31. Grow strong in your faith through a daily commitment to reading and studying God's word.

### 2. Make prayer a priority

Paul's instruction to the believers in Thessalonica was to "pray without ceasing" (1 Thessalonians 5:17). As believers, prayer is our most profitable activity.

### 3. Surround yourself with Christian Community

It is so important to get connected with a church community through small groups or some form of fellowship & discipleship.

### 4. Look for ways to make a difference in someone's life

Serving is what God created us to do; "For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things He planned for us long ago." (Ephesians 2:10).

### **Prayer:**

*Lord, thank you for another year to be able to grow in our relationship with you. My prayer is that this year we can grow beyond where we are to be more like you than ever before in our lives.*



// Daylon Mooneyham - Lead Pastor

# DAY 14

## Discovering Purpose Beyond

Romans 8:28

When God gives us life here on planet Earth, He also gives us something called "purpose." You see, each of us has a reason for being here. Part of the adventure of living for Christ is discovering the purpose God has for us. In addition to knowing our purpose, we must also realize that life is lived in segments, or seasons. As seasons of life change, God can also unveil a new reason for a new season. In other words, the purpose we discover God has for us now in this season of life may change as we enter a new season. This is why we should keep our eyes and focus on the Lord, for He is the "author and finisher of our faith." We must be confidently optimistic that God will work all things in life for our good. Remember that we are called by God "according to His purpose." His purpose for me today may be the initial step in a journey that changes or evolves throughout various seasons of life. We do not need to give too much thought about the future, but rather focus on this season and discovering what our purpose is now. Just be aware that God may have something beyond what you can even imagine in store for you in your next season of life that builds on where you are now.

### **Prayer:**

*Lord, I am thankful that you create me with purpose. Help me to fully discover my purpose in this season of life, and prepare me for what you want to ultimately do through me in the next seasons of life.*



// **Scott Sauls - Administrative Pastor**

# DAY 15

## Beyond Where You Are

Isaiah 43:19

*We're all moving. Right now, our planet is being hurled through space at an incredible speed, and the earth is spinning on its axis at approximately 1,000 miles per hour. This doesn't seem possible while you're most likely sitting down reading this right now instead of throwing up like you're on a 1,000 MPH roller coaster. Each day that we're blessed with breath in our lungs is an opportunity to make a difference in someone's life. However, we have to put motion to our words and intentions. We can intend to do good today, but not do it at all. We can think about showing a random act of kindness to a neighbor, or sharing the love of Christ with a coworker, or inviting someone to our small group, but not do it at all. We have to put motion to our intentions and follow through with what God is calling us to do. In order to do that, we have to move beyond where we are currently, to where God is calling us to be. If you're satisfied with where you are, you'll never grow. As you pray and fast, pray about the things that you need to give up in order to move beyond where you are to where God is calling you.*

### **Prayer:**

*God, help me make a difference in someone's life today. I recognize that you want to set others free just like you've set me free. Help me move from my comfort zone to a place where I can be used to impact those around me. Amen.*



// Josh Lynch - Worship & Creative Arts Pastor

# DAY 16

## The Path To Grow In Your Faith

*Colossians 2:7*

All Christians want, or should want, to increase their faith. But those who have given their lives to Christ realize that success does not come from our human attempts; we always fail. Without God, we are left to our own resources, which plague us with pride, stubbornness, indifference, insensitivity, and failure. God is the only one we can count on who absolutely will not fail us. (Hebrews 13:5)

Beginning our faith journey with God requires that we immerse ourselves in His word (Romans 10:17, 1 Peter 2:2). We must learn about His love, justice, mercy, and plan. Then, as God changes us, we will learn to develop the fruit that comes from the Holy Spirit, who dwells in all Christians (Galatians 5:22-23, John 14:17). As we walk in the Spirit, allowing Him to control our lives, we will begin to trust in Him. "Let your roots grow into him and draw up nourishment from him, so you will grow in faith, strong and vigorous in the truth you were taught. Finally, let your lives overflow with thanksgiving for all he has done." (Colossians 2:7)

If our trust in God is going to grow, we must learn to step out in faith, moving out of our comfort zone and taking chances. "Yet faith comes from listening to this message of good news - the Good News about Christ." (Romans 10:17)

### **Prayer:**

*God, as I make the decision to step out in faith to go beyond this year, help me to trust you. I thank you that you never have and you will never fail me.*



// **Cacho Torres - Latino Pastor**

# DAY 17

## Where Do I Go?

I'll admit today, I am directionally challenged. There have been times that I have been lost, yes, even here in Wilson! For those of you like me, you may depend on your GPS way too much and if for some reason our satellites went out, we would be in trouble because we depend on maps for our directions. In the same way, on our spiritual journey that we are on, there is a path that God has laid out for us. Even though we have our plans, God has already ordered our steps, and I believe the key to finding our purpose in the kingdom is obedience. See, we make our own plans, we try to figure it out on our own. We want a six figure salary, but when was the last time we slowed down and said "God, what are the steps you've ordered for me?" If I'm being honest today, you can't expect to get to the purpose and the plan God has for you by living in your plans and what you want. Scripture says to deny yourself, and yes, that means deny your plans, deny what you want and pick up your cross and follow him. Follow the steps he has ordained for you. That is how we can get on the path to discovering our purpose!

### **Prayer:**

*Lord, help me today to deny myself of my plans and my own purpose and to just say yes to all that you have for me. Lord, I want to walk in the steps you have ordained for me. I want to get to the purpose you have for me. Don't let me be lost in my plans and what I want, but let me be lost in your word and in your presence so that I can hear your voice and hear where you want me to go.*



// Cecil Ayers - Student Pastor

# DAY 18

## Go Love Somebody

Mark 12:30-31, Luke 10:37

One of my absolute favorite authors is Bob Goff. He's actually my best friend; he just doesn't know it yet. His love & joy for others is contagious in such a way that you feel as if Buddy Elf himself has just preached a sermon; you're ready to go love the world!

A quote he shares states, "Here's our job as believers, love everybody ALWAYS!"

To make a difference in the world around us, it's as simple as 1, 2, 3; LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR. God instructs loving our neighbor to be so important that it's the second commandment given right after He commands us to love Him first. (Mark 12:30-31) Yet we tend to choose who we want to love and how we want to love and are left wondering if we're even making a difference.

Loving our neighbor means living out the JOY of the Lord that lives within us. It's sharing hope to a world that feels alone. Maybe it's the Walmart greeter who needs a high five, the new mom at the store who needs a smile, or the co-worker who has a tough attitude and could use an encouraging word. There are neighbors all around us waiting to be loved. Will we be the difference?

Jesus loves us beyond what we deserve and He calls us to go and do likewise. (Luke 10:37) Just as Bob Goff states in his book Love Does, "When you love like Jesus loves, you live like Jesus lives."

### **Prayer:**

*Lord give me eyes to see and a heart to love the neighbors you've placed around me. I desire to make a difference in my community and want to love them like you do.*



// Kaci Davis - Children's Pastor

# DAY 19

## Helping Others Know God

*Acts 4:36-37, Acts 9:26-27, Acts 11:22-23*

Helping someone come to know the Lord is probably one of the greatest feelings in the world. Maybe it's something you don't necessarily feel comfortable doing, sharing the gospel. Perhaps you feel intimidated or a little too unfamiliar with the scriptures. Acts chapter 4 gives us an excellent guide for sharing the gospel in different ways.

Barnabas, who is described as "a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and faith" who brought "a great number of people.. to the Lord" in Acts 11, had a different approach than maybe you or I would have today. Barnabas wasn't standing on the street corner with a megaphone shouting the gospel, instead he took a more subtle approach to sharing the love of God. He was known on many occasions to be an encourager, he was very generous and supportive of those who were out in the field preaching the gospel. In one instance, Barnabas sold a plot of land to use the money to support the apostles.

We've all heard the saying "you can catch more flies with honey," well I like to think that was Barnabas' approach to ministry. He was able to preach the gospel and share his testimony with countless others because of this pleasant demeanor and kind, encouraging words to the unbelievers.

### **Prayer:**

*It is my prayer that we reach beyond our regular group of people and show the love of Christ to everyone we come in contact with: with a kind word, a reassuring smile and pleasant demeanor.*



// Daylon Mooneyham - Lead Pastor

# DAY 20

## Feed Your Faith

*Romans 10:17*

What we feed grows. Therefore, it is critical that we feed the right things in our lives. For instance, we should feed our faith, not our flesh. How do we feed our faith? Scripture is clear on how our faith grows. Faith is increased as we read and study the Word of God or sit under the preaching or teaching of the Word. As followers of Christ, we each have a personal responsibility to grow our faith. This is not the responsibility of the church, or a pastor, or a family member. They may help us in this endeavor, but the ultimate responsibility of growing our faith is ours alone. This really should not be difficult or complicated, but it does require us being intentional about establishing some personal disciplines of Bible reading and study, faithfully attending church services to sit under the preaching or teaching of the Word, and becoming involved with small groups, just to name a few. Remember that when we feed our faith, it will grow and thrive. As our faith increases, fear and doubt begin to subside. Faith enables us to believe what we can not see. Faith propels us forward when others say quit. Faith is required in order for us to please God. Let's make sure we are feeding our faith daily so it will grow and carry us forward! What can you do now to feed your faith?

### **Prayer:**

*Lord, thank you for giving us the secret to increasing our faith. Let Your Word come alive to us so we can absorb spiritual truth and direction in life. Help me to feed my faith so it will flourish!*



**// Scott Sauls - Administrative Pastor**

# DAY 21

## Make A Difference

2 Timothy 1:6-7

I'm sure nearly everyone has heard the expression, "it's like night and day". We might use this phrase when talking about the contrast of a blank white canvas to a finished painting bursting with color, or lyrics to a song before a beautiful melody is intertwined with each letter. It's the experience of taking something once raw, and molding it into something complete. We might step back and say, "wow, that was like night and day!". God wants to use you to make such a difference in this world, that your life transforms from night to day. God wants to take you from darkness to light. From mourning to joy. From depression to vibrant life. From anger to love. The only way we can make a difference in the world around us is to discover the things God has put inside of us. How is God calling you to make a difference today? Take a few moments to honestly and sincerely answer this question: "What is one thing that I **could** do, and that I **would** do that I'm not doing now, that would drastically change my life for the better" If you truly meditate on that question, you'll get an answer and it may not be one you want, but it will be the necessary one. God is calling you to make a difference in this life, not tomorrow, not in three months, but today. Right now. It's time to do what we're not doing so that we can reach who we're not reaching, and so that we can make a difference where we know we should be.

### **Prayer:**

*God, I'm surrendering my will so that I can be used by you. I want to make a difference in the world around me. Help me to be strong and courageous and to be light in the darkness around me. Amen.*



// **Josh Lynch - Worship & Creative Arts Pastor**

# NOTES



