

WEEK OF PRAYER & FASTING: Day #5

Castleton Community Church | Luke 6:43-45 | Songs: #210, #89, #41, #138

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"Why do you call me 'Lord, Lord,' and not do what I tell you? ⁴⁷ Everyone who comes to me and hears my words and does them, I will show you what he is like: ⁴⁸ he is like a man building a house, who dug deep and laid the foundation on the rock. And when a flood arose, the stream broke against that house and could not shake it, because it had been well built. ⁴⁹ But the one who hears and does not do them is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. When the stream broke against it, immediately it fell, and the ruin of that house was great."

Prayer #1: Ears to Hear God's Word

- Praise God for the blessing of hearing God's word in our own language.
- Pray that we would hunger to hear God's word in private devotion and in corporate worship.
- Pray against distractions of the world, our flesh and the devil that keep us from hearing.
- Pray for boldness to share the gospel of Jesus with those who have not heard the gospel. Pray for evidences gospel fruit from our witness in 2023.

Prayer #2: Hearts to Obey God's Word

- Read a section of the Sermon on the Plain or another Scripture and ask for the Holy Spirit's help to obey all that Jesus commanded us to do.
- Pray that we would not only be hearers of the word but doers of the word (Jam. 1:22-25). Pray that our conduct would match our doctrine.
- Pray we live our CORE Values more faithfully in 2023: 1) Supremacy of Jesus, 2) Authority of the Word, 3) Loving Community, 4) Biblical Unity in Diversity, 5) Extravagant Grace, and 6) Sharing the Gospel Everywhere.

Prayer #3: Endurance to Hold Fast to God's Word

- Pray that we would hold fast to God's word in times of suffering and trial.
- Pray for the marriages in our church to endure through trial and God's word would guide families in the storms of life.
- Pray for singles and widows in our church to believe God's care and promises for them.
- If the Lord leads, share with your group a trial you are experiencing that you need help believing God's promises to one another.

Prayer #4: Lives & Ministry Dependent on God's Word

- Pray that we would not build our lives upon anything other than Christ and his word and confess our sinful dependance on man's approval, our wealth, our comfort and other forms of sinking sand this world offers.
- Pray for our ministries: Preaching & Worship ministry, Castleton KIDS, Small Groups, ESL, Young Adults & Student Ministry, Small Groups, Global Outreach, and more.
- Staff & Pastors: Jenny Johnson, Matt Mugumya, Riew K., Lucas Johnson, Jim Martin, Tim Davis, Josh Pagel, Luke Jones, Tommy Johnston & Eric Swanson
- Elders: Jonathan Mertz, Terry Sites, Ken Arguello, Jerry Good, Eric Swanson, & Tommy Johnston