

SERMON APPLICATION GUIDE

Marks of Revival: Prayer & Fasting | Ezra 8

WORSHIP & WALK

1. REVIEW + UNDERSTAND

1. Seek to begin your time with worship.
2. Optional ice breaker: Do you know the meaning/story behind your name? If you could rename yourself, what name would you choose and why?
3. Read Ezra 8 and pray together.
4. Why does it matter that God listed names in Ezra 8?
5. What do prayer and fasting share in common? Why are both crucially important to our “Walk with Christ”?

2. ASSESS + APPLY

1. Share a time you felt weak or unprepared. How did you (or how could you) depend on God in it?
2. Describe one of the most rich times of prayer you have had with the Lord. What made it rich?
3. Does anyone regularly practice fasting? What has God taught you through that practice?
4. What’s a way the Lord has nourished you recently from His Word?
5. The marks of revival we have specifically talked about so far as a church in this series are the Word, prayer, and fasting. Worship to God must saturate all these practices. Which of these spiritual practices do you most desire to grow in and why?
6. Would anyone be interested in spending more time in the prayer room at church? You can go in and pray anytime on a Sunday morning. What about First Tuesday? Let’s grow together in making corporate prayer a priority.
7. What is one area of your life where you need to say, “God, I need you more than anything else.”?
8. Remember, “behavior reflects belief.” Where might your behavior be revealing a “belief” problem?
9. Where in your life do you need help shifting the telos (the aim) of your life from comfort, success, (fill in the blank), to the worship of God? Has God revealed a next step in this yet?

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

You can view all 3 parts of 10 Year Documentary on the “Our Story” page of the church website.

The next First Tuesday is Oct. 7. Dinner starts at 5:30 PM and prayer begins at 6:30 PM.

PRAYERS + APPLICATIONS

LOOKING AHEAD

Read next week's passage and ask: What does it say? What does it mean? How should I respond?

Ezra 9

WORK

How should this message affect how you serve others?

WITNESS

How should this message affect how you share the Gospel?