

# CALL TO PRAYER & FASTING — WEEK 2 (JANUARY 28-FEBRUARY 3, 2018)

First Free Church is seeking God's favor for our next season of ministry. This week we are calling our church to a time of prayer and fasting. For each meal that you are able to skip, pray through the material in this guide.

This week...

1. Pray for Biblical understanding of who God is and what the Church is.
2. Pray for self-discipline to wait on God's timing and to submit to His will.
3. Revere God as the Creator of all, and rest in his sovereign control.

## 2. TARRY Reverence and Rest

### SCRIPTURES

**Isaiah 40:28-31** "Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom. He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint."

**Psalms 27:13-14** "I remain confident of this: I will see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. Wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord."

**Matthew 26:38** "Then he said to them, 'My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch with me.'"

**James 1:12** "Blessed is the one who perseveres under trial because, having stood the test, that person will receive the crown of life that the Lord has promised to those who love him."

### REFLECTION

Worshipping God our Creator rightfully as Lord reorients our self-centered focus. Casting our cares upon Him results in a faith with power and a restful mind. Our first work of obedience is to wait upon Him.

### PRAYER

Lord, you've never left me and you will never forsake me. You hear all my cries, you know my thoughts before I even think them. Evil is not caused by you, neither will it usurp you. You are sovereign and in control. You are never surprised, and will turn all events back to your glory and even for my good. Father, forgive me for how I have worried, for doubting your love, for harboring discontentment, and for being impatient. Create in me a clean heart, O God. Help me to wait, to trust, to obey, and to persevere. In Jesus' name, Amen!

**JOIN US FOR PRAYER & SOLEMN ASSEMBLY  
ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18 FROM 5-7PM!**



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