

AUGUST NEWSLETTER



The School Of The Joshua Ministries

The Lord says “Here I Am”

Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me. Revelation 3:20

I notice a continual pattern when I read the gospels. Jesus in His ministry is walking where the Father is sending Him as the living, moving, and active word of God. For those who would see him for who he is and receive Him will obtain mercy from the Father. Mercy looks like deliverance from the oppression of the devil for some, others opening of the blinded eyes, to the mourning of the dead a raising from the dead, to fishermen financial breakthrough, and etc.

The key to receiving this from Jesus was the decision to open the door He was knocking on in their life to commune and follow Him, sit with Him and be like Him. This was a requirement to not just be His sheep but His followers to serve the kingdom of God. This was a challenge when they had a belief system that medicated them instead of delivering them, making them worse in unbelief then giving them access to the Lord himself, and taking on the traditions of men instead of learning and living ways of God. So the called through “Here I am.” Here I am is a call from the Lord to step out from amongst the fast pace of the cares of this life. This what we know to be a clarion call to take up your cross to not conform to the world to go up into higher places in Christ, and adjusting your life to let the King of glory in to serve His will now through the doors He has opened for you.

Christ Life as the Parable:

Mark 5:24-34

And Jesus went with him; and much people followed him, and thronged him.

25 And a certain woman, which had an issue of blood twelve years,

26 And had suffered many things of many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was nothing bettered, but rather grew worse,

27 When she had heard of Jesus, came in the press behind, and touched his garment.

28 For she said, If I may touch but his clothes, I shall be whole.

29 And straightway the fountain of her blood was dried up; and she felt in her body that she was healed of that plague.

30 And Jesus, immediately knowing in himself that virtue had gone out of him, turned him about in the press, and said, Who touched my clothes?

31 And his disciples said unto him, Thou seest the multitude thronging thee, and sayest thou, Who touched me?

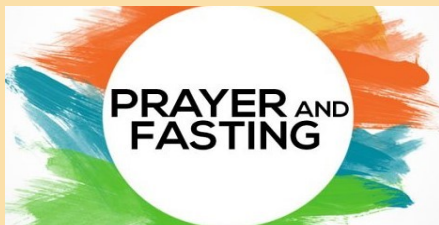
32 And he looked round about to see her that had done this thing.

33 But the woman fearing and trembling, knowing what was done in her, came and fell down before him, and told him all the truth.

34 And he said unto her, Daughter, thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace, and be whole of thy plague.

There is much to unpack in this scene by look at this scene from the disciples’ perspective. The disciple who is in training is following our savior. They say to themselves that we are following Jesus to learn of Him who is meek and lowly to serve the oppressed, the sick, and preach the gospel of the kingdom. We will do what He is doing and say what He says. While walking Jesus says virtue has left him. The disciples were not able to discern this new reality that has come to them in knowledge form express from the mouth who called them. They now see how important it is to recognize the call and move of the Spirit then just think of this as a job like fishermen. I can see after finding out who was healed that touch Jesus with faith instead of works was of more important. They now realizing the Spirit is at work and releases virtue to the ones who open there door as he knocks at the door of whosoever will believe. Also, further than that, that their life resembles the one they are following so much that it makes others run to Christ to open the door or book of their life as a follower of Christ. I am sure this had a major impression on Peter after he overcame the test of not giving up His calling after denying the Christ when we see how He walked amongst the saints as a servant of God in the book of Acts. Acts 5:15, As a result, people brought the sick into the streets and laid them on beds and mats so that at least Peter’s shadow might fall on some of them as he passed by. It’s not enough to follow Jesus to be a spectator or seeking to just get your every need supply. But rather be the resource for others that heavens is seeking to invest in and the sons of God that earth is awaiting.

Will you let Christ in newness that He is doing in you, the new doors He has open for you and leading you to new places where your gift will make room? He now says, “Here I Am”.



Open the Door:

Prayer and Fasting is where we access Christ in a holy way and open the door selflessly.

Let us set ourselves, sanctify our vessels, come to the refiner, place on the right work attire, and anoint our eyes to make ye the way of the Lord.

This is the schedule for our for next week:

August 4th – 6th, 2021 we will fast from 6:00 am-12:00 pm, 6:00 am-3:00 pm, 6:00 am-6:00 pm.

We will close out our fast on Friday.

This is a NO food fast. Please drink water only. Be of courage and know that you can do all things through Christ that strengthens you to do such a fast (Philippians 4:13).

*****NOTE***** If you are taking medication please do the Daniel fast.

In addition to fasting and praying do the following:

♦Read: Read and study your Bible on scripture verses that are in the newsletter.

♦Podcast on fasting or books on fasting if you have them: listen to teachings on fasting and teachings on prayer. Suggested individuals (Dan Mohler, Dr. Myles Munroe, and Derrick Prince).

♦Prayer, Praise and Worship - Separate some time to pray. It is not the fast that makes things move but rather your prayer while being on a fasted that moves heaven. Praise keeps your mind set on Him and worship bring your emotions under subjection to the peace of God that will rule your heart and mind.

It is in Christ that we live, move and have our being. The Holy Spirit enables us to do all thing through Christ that strengthens us so let us lay aside every weight and press towards the door He stands await to take us into new heights in Him. (Acts 17:28, Phil 4:13, and Hebrew 13:1).

Shalom,
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