

SUNDAY 01/06/19

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PRAISE TEAM REHEARSAL



A WORD FOR 2019

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Please sign up with Emma if you are available to fast. **BIBLE READING:** 2 in 5/Two chapters-5 days a week.

**FASTING:** January 7 through January 27.

#### **TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY**

Rick Warren's study, The Miracle of Mercy,

will be featured in the Tuesday Bible Study beginning on Tuesday, January 15. The series will feature: The Five Marks of Mercy; Mercy Forgives the Fallen; Mercy Helps the Hurting; Mercy is Patient with Difficult People; Mercy is Kind to Enemies; and Mercy Cares for the Lost.

# GRAPPLE EVENT SUN. JAN 20 (following the service)

#### TWO SACRAMENTS

Jesus instituted two important sacraments for the Church. We receive life when we participate in both.





Jesus and His disciples came preaching and calling people to be baptized in water to symbolize the cleansing that takes place through their faith.

COMMUNION

Jesus told His disciples to eat and drink in remembrance of Him.

SHOCK/FOR\L.

Flizabeth S. Mealth Issues

Jan 06 » The Journey: Be Aware

Jan 13 » Naaman: Be Flexible

Jan 20 » The Shunnamite

Benjamin G. Salvation

Woman: Be Thankful

Jan 27 » Joseph: Be Resilient

#### PRAYER REQUESTS → THINKING-OF-YOU PRAYER

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Suzie S. ▶ Health Issues	Ray H. ▶ Salvation
Noe F. ▶ Health Issues	Karen W. ▶ Salvation
Kenny D. ▶ Neurological	Cheyenne W. ▶ Salvation
Phyllis L. ▶ Health Issues	Carmela C. ▶ Kidney Health
Jason G. ▶ Salvation	Janet S. ▶ God's Guidance
Michelle G. ▶ Spiritual growth	Angela A. Dizzy Spells
Brian H. ▶ Salvation	Betty F. ▶ Mobility Issues
URGENT PRAYER	Gearen Family ▶ Salvation
Toni R. ▶ Health Issues	Rick L. ▶ Salvation
Sam H. ▶ Cardiac Issues	Mike F. ▶ Salvation
Gearen Family ▶ Drawn closer to God	Bill S. Salvation

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Stein Family ▶ Salvation	
Danny R. ▶ ALS	
Ruth H. ▶ Health Issues	Ī
Jean G. ▶ Health Issues	Ī
Maria C. ▶ Hypertension	Ī
Barb G. ▶ Health Issues	
Brianna V. ▶ Bell's Palsy	

Gearen Family & Salvation	
Rick L. ▶ Salvation	
Mike F. ▶ Salvation	
Bill S. ▶ Salvation	
Nate T. Dementia	
Lance B. Health Issues	
Megan G. ▶ Cancer	
Kathy ▶ Lung Cancer	
Chris ▶ Health Issues	
Jerry A. ▶ Cyst on Wrist	
Gabe G. ▶ Guidance	

#### **QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

"You've never gone too far that God can't redeem you, restore you, forgive you, and give you a second chance."—Lysa TerKuerst

**METRICS THAT MATTER** (12/30/18)

ATTENDANCE > 40 GIVING > \$1,490 GUESTS > 0 VOLUNTEERS > 15 DECISIONS FOR CHRIST > 0

# SHOCK/FOR/LEFE

# THE JOURNEY: BE AWARE

# I PETER 2:9-17 (The Voice)

<sup>9</sup> But you are a chosen people, set aside to be a royal order of priests, a holy nation, God's own; so that you may proclaim the wondrous acts of the One who called you out of inky darkness into shimmering light. <sup>10</sup> Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received it. <sup>11</sup> Beloved, remember you don't belong in this world. You are resident aliens living in exile, so resist those desires of the flesh that battle against the soul. <sup>12</sup> Live honorably among the outsiders so that, even when some may be inclined to call you criminals, when they see your good works, they might give glory to God when He returns in judgment. <sup>16</sup> Live as those who are free and not as those who use their freedom as a pretext for evil, but live as God's servants. <sup>17</sup> Respect everyone. Love the community of believers. Reverence God. Honor your ruler.



# Anticipation (Disappointment) Difficulty (Fatigue) Trying to fit in (Dejection) Regret (Fear)

HE BLESSINGS

# Hope (Joy)

Psalm 33:20-22 (NLT)

<sup>20</sup> We put our hope in the Lord. He is our help and our shield.

<sup>21</sup> In him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in his holy name.

<sup>22</sup> Let your unfailing love surround us, Lord, for our hope is in you alone.

# Strength (Freedom)

# Relationship (Frust)

#### Isaiah 40:31 (KJV)

But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

#### Isaiah 12:2

Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the Lord Jehovah is my strength and my song; he also is become my salvation.

# His Presence (Courage)

Isaiah 41:10

Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.

Romans 8:13

What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?

# Psalm 121 A song of ascents

<sup>1</sup> I lift up my eyes to the mountains where does my help come from?

8 the Lord will watch over your coming and going

<sup>2</sup> My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth. <sup>3</sup> He will not let your foot slip he who watches over you will not slumber; <sup>4</sup> indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. <sup>5</sup> The Lord watches over you the Lord is your shade at your right hand; <sup>6</sup> the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night. <sup>7</sup> The Lord will keep you from all harm he will watch over your life;

both now and forevermore.



# THE MIRACLE ERCY

RICK WARREN

Mercy is God's number one characteristic in the Bible. The world portrays God as a God of anger and judgment. But God shows himself first and foremost as a God of mercy.

The Miracle of Mercy by Rick Warren will help us cultivate a heart of mercy as we learn to forgive others unreservedly; help those who are hurting; be patient with those who are difficult; show kindness to enemies; and care for the lost.

#### SCHEDULED CLASSES TAKE PLACE ON:

TUE JAN 15 » The Five Marks of Mercy TUE JAN 22 » Mercy Forgives the Fallen TUE JAN 29 » Mercy Helps the Hurting TUE FEB 12 » Mercy is Patient with Difficult People TUE FEB 19 » Mercy is Kind to Enemies TUE FEB 26 » Mercy Cares for the Lost

The Miracle of Mercy will launch on Tuesday, January 15 at 7:00 P.M. Sign up with Emma so that your study guide can be ordered.

# A Word + 11 2014

The Word of the Lord for us is sure. Be Filled! A simple, but life-giving command! Here are six ways for us to be filled.

## HUMBLE YOURSELE

One of the greatest stumbling blocks to receiving from God is a proud spirit. We exhibit pride when we are choosy about where we go to receive, or about who prays for us, or about what manifestations we are willing to receive. Surrender!

## GIVE HP YOUR AGENDA

When seeking the Lord, surrender your agenda to Him. This gives Him the freedom to touch you in the way He chooses.

## RE AS DEPENDENT AS A CHILD

Open your spirit to the Lord in childlike trust and dependency. Surrender like a helpless child to your heavenly Father.

# PUT YOURSELF IN THE "RECEIVE" MODE

You may be conditioned to give so that you feel guilty receiving. Unless you continue to receive freely, you will run dry.

# RECEIVE THE FILLING OF THE SPIRIT

Set your mind on loving God. Relax. Don't try to strain for a blessing. Rather, accept it as a gift He gives you eagerly.

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Don't be afraid. God knows your heart. Yielding to any God-given manifestation increases the sense of His presence.

TOGETHER LET'S PURSUE HIS BEST! BOB Huera