

Message Notes

ARISE is a an intentional call to action for Point of Grace to be transformed as individuals and as a church body, to literally “become light” and “shine” for God’s glory in key areas of personal and church life. Point of Grace embraced Part One of ARISE in the Spring of 2010 by surrendering to God’s transforming work in the area of financial giving. In this phase of ARISE God is calling us to transformation in the areas of Service, Community, Prayer and Worship!!

Isaiah 60¹ "Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD rises upon you.

Romans 12¹ Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship. ²Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.....¹¹ Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. ¹² Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.

Transformation, growth and health in _____ are absolutely, unequivocally and non-negotiably essential for a church where “REAL People are Connecting to a REAL God and are DEPLOYED into His world for His purposes”!

God calls us to pray F _____ and P _____ ! This call has a surprisingly P _____ tone while personally convicting and always encouraging!

Passionate praying opens us up to receive what we need the most - the very _____ of God!

My attitude, longing and love of the _____ of God is nurtured and experienced in _____! Entering into His presence is an act of _____ in Jesus, who bought and paid for my “entrance fee”! Therefore I can receive this “presence of God” status _____!

My life is now a daily restoration and renewal of this “life with God”, “_____” reality!

Isaiah 62⁶ I have posted watchmen on your walls, Jerusalem; they will never be silent day or night.

You who call on the LORD, give yourselves no rest, ⁷and give him no rest till he establishes Jerusalem and makes her the praise of the earth.

Colossians 3¹⁵ Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. ¹⁶Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. ¹⁷And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

The plural of prayer is crucial to living in daily restoration and renewal!

Psalms 34¹ I will extol the LORD at all times; his praise will always be on my lips.

² I will glory in the LORD; let the afflicted hear and rejoice.

³ Glorify the LORD with me; let us exalt his name together. ⁴ I sought the LORD, and he answered me; he delivered me from all my fears.

⁵ Those who look to him are radiant; their faces are never covered with shame.

⁶ This poor man called, and the LORD heard him; he saved him out of all his troubles.

⁷ The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and he delivers them. ⁸

Taste and see that the LORD is good;

blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.

Isaiah 55⁶ Seek the LORD while he may be found; call on him while he is near.

⁷ Let the wicked forsake their ways and the unrighteous their thoughts.

Let them turn to the LORD, and he will have mercy on them,

and to our God, for he will freely pardon.

⁸ “For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways,” declares the LORD.

Psalms 51¹⁰ Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

¹¹ Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me.

¹² Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

My Dear Lord Jesus Christ. I come to You now to be restored in You, to be renewed in You to receive Your life and Your love and all the grace and mercy I so desperately need this day. I honor You as my Sovereign and I surrender every aspect of my life totally and completely to You. I give You my spirit soul and body, my heart mind and will! I ask Your Holy Spirit to restore me in You and renew me in You and now lead me...

Surrender—Receive—Act