

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 is transforming us towards more

P _____ praying,

P _____ praying,

P _____ oriented praying,

P _____ and effective praying!

James 5¹⁶ Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.

James 5.... The prayer of a person living right with God is something powerful to be reckoned with.(MESS)

James 5 The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working ! (ESV)

James 1⁵ If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you. ⁶ But when you ask, you must believe and not doubt, because the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind. ⁷ That person should not expect to receive anything from the Lord. ⁸ Such a person is double-minded and unstable in all they do.

James 4¹ What causes fights and quarrels among you? Don't they come from your desires that battle within you? ² You desire but do not have, so you kill. You covet but you cannot get what you want, so you quarrel and fight. You do not have because you do not ask God. ³ When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures.

⁴ You adulterous people, don't you know that friendship with the world means enmity against God? Therefore, anyone who chooses to be a friend of the world becomes an enemy of God. ⁵ Or do you think Scripture says without reason that he jealously longs for the spirit he has caused to dwell in us? ⁶ But he gives us more grace. That is why Scripture says: "God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble." ⁷ Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. ⁸ Come near to God and he will come near to you.¹⁰ Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.

James 5¹³ Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise. ¹⁴ Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵ And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven. ¹⁶ Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.

¹⁷ Elijah was a human being, even as we are. He prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years. ¹⁸ Again he prayed, and the heavens gave rain, and the earth produced its crops.

Prayer is the “ _____ ” for doing life!

Effective praying is “in _____” with the accompanying attitude of s _____, h _____ and h _____!

Deliberate moves to “lose c _____” are a new arena of living for most of us.

Prayer is not for “d _____” to God but is a concrete act of faith which opens us up to receiving the best from God!

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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 in this time of prayer...