

PREPARING

◆ A 12 DAY JOURNEY ◆

THE WAY

A VOICE OF ONE CALLING: "IN THE WILDERNESS PREPARE THE WAY FOR THE LORD; MAKE STRAIGHT IN THE DESERT A HIGHWAY FOR OUR GOD. EVERY VALLEY SHALL BE RAISED UP, EVERY MOUNTAIN AND HILL MADE LOW; THE ROUGH GROUND SHALL BECOME LEVEL, THE RUGGED PLACES A PLAIN. AND THE GLORY OF THE LORD WILL BE REVEALED, AND ALL PEOPLE WILL SEE IT TOGETHER FOR THE MOUTH OF THE LORD HAS SPOKEN."

ISAIAH 40:3-5



Day 1

The Spiritual Armor

Meditate on Ephesians 6:10-20

Ask:

- ◆ For full armor to withstand any schemes of the adversary
- ◆ In thanksgiving, for the power of your salvation to helmet your past, present and future
- ◆ That your core commitment will be truth, a belt of reliability for all your relationships
- ◆ For every team member to have invincible integrity, a breastplate against accusations
- ◆ That you will not be so wrapped up in following your program for today, that you are unprepared to share the Good News of peace
- ◆ For faith in God to shield you against all evil attacks
- ◆ To advance with the penetrating, discerning truth of God's Word
- ◆ That each team member will experience, as never before, a greater personal resolve, standing for God in the strength of God
- ◆ For each team member to be on 24/7 prayer alert

Day 2

Cornelius

Meditate on Acts 10

Pray:

- ◆ His Holy Spirit would speak to the true seekers through dreams and visions
- ◆ He would lead you to identify God-fearers, leaders in the home and community who can influence entire families and communities for Him
- ◆ That God would verify the truth of His Son and the power of His resurrection through signs and wonders
- ◆ God would prepare the hearts and minds of all team members to share His truth in culturally sensitive and biblically appropriate ways
- ◆ The Lord will pour out His Spirit on the area where you pray and raise the level of awareness of God while you are there
- ◆ Each team member will be in a constant state of spiritual readiness when the call comes to share the truth
- ◆ The Holy Spirit will empower His message with His presence

Day 3

Spiritual Warfare

Meditate on 2 Corinthians 10:3-5

Ask God that you would:

- ◆ Clearly see that your struggle is in no way against other people
- ◆ Claim His authority when confronted with the spiritual powers ruling over the area you are prayer walking
- ◆ Make every thought you have today obedient to Christ's guiding
- ◆ Shed light on the darkness of world forces, so lies and half-truths will be exposed for what they are
- ◆ Have a broken heart for the community where you prayer walk
- ◆ Resist personal attacks
- ◆ Know that the weapons of your warfare are not of human ingenuity, manipulations or psychological games — they are not of the flesh
- ◆ Know that there are fortresses that need demolition, and ask that He would make you strong enough to destroy the ungodly

Day 4

Praise and Worship

Meditate on Deuteronomy 6:4-5

Pray:

- ◆ Your love of God will grow to fill all of your heart as you worship Him
- ◆ The Holy Spirit will fill believers with boldness to pray for each other
- ◆ All team members will be sensitive to the hurts and needs of people for whom they have the opportunity to pray
- ◆ Team members will refine their skills of communicating the truth in love
- ◆ God will deliver team members from dangers they do not know exist

Day 5

Favor, Wisdom, Knowledge

Meditate on Daniel 1:8-21

Ask:

- ◆ The Lord to bless each member of the local government, so that they will use their position and authority to bless and not oppress
- ◆ the people under their jurisdiction
- ◆ That community leaders will commend the Gospel, not obstruct it
- ◆ That as you live through these intense days, your love will be incorruptible

Day 6

Man of Peace

Meditate on Luke 10:1-11

As you go out today, ask:

- ◆ That God will reveal to the people you pray for a need so great that their old answers and philosophies will no longer work
- ◆ For God to deepen their understanding and desire for Him
- ◆ God to strengthen your initial contacts with persons of peace
- ◆ For the Lord to stir up an interest and hunger for Himself in people's hearts
- ◆ That people who are potential leaders in new churches will respond to God's call
- ◆ For the sense of God's direction for this area to grow in the hearts of new believers
- ◆ That these new believers will have His desire to reach the nations with His truth

Day 7

Growing the Fellowship

Meditate on 2 Timothy 2:2

Pray:

- ◆ Hearts will be prepared to hear and respond to the Word
- ◆ God will ready a church to respond to the needs of new believers
- ◆ God will put Christians into their lives who will be faithful to the Great Commission task of discipling
- ◆ Conversions will mature into solid obedience
- ◆ God will prepare groups to minister to and instruct one another and to care for new believers
- ◆ These groups will begin praying for opportunities to share what they have learned with others

Day 8

Supplication

Meditate on Psalm 96:3

Pray that today these will be your words to

God:

- ◆ “Bring me to the point where I am completely conformed to Your will, to the point where I love You more than anything.”
- ◆ “Teach me to go where You want me to go.”
- ◆ “Show me how to be who You want me to be.”
- ◆ “I make myself available today to reflect Your glory, through my actions, attitudes, thoughts, desires, words.”

Day 9

Intercession for the Workers

Meditate on 2 Corinthians 1:3-11

Ask:

- ◆ God to encourage and sustain His workers in this area through the prayers of many and that many more would be called to join them in prayer
- ◆ God to comfort His workers who are enduring affliction just as He comforted His Son on the cross
- ◆ That pray-ers would be aware that many workers are burdened beyond their strength, some to the point of death
- ◆ For workers to have the grace to trust not in themselves but in God who loves and cares for them completely
- ◆ God to assure His workers of deliverance
- ◆ That His workers will put their hope in Him

Day 10

Spiritual Vision

Meditate on John 5:19-20

Ask:

- ◆ For your group and all His workers to see clearly what He is doing
- ◆ To be committed to follow Him in that work no matter how great or small it may seem from a human point of view
- ◆ That you would not only commit to what He does, but commit to do it in a like manner; pray that He will protect you from the sin of
- ◆ doing the right thing the wrong way
- ◆ To be drawn into an ever-deepening love relationship with Him, so you are close enough to see what He sees
- ◆ That He would work through His children in ways that cause the nations to marvel at Him

Day 11

Lord of the Harvest

Meditate on Luke 10:1-2

Ask that God will:

- ◆ Bring about a true harvest, one that nurtures, sustains and reproduces on an increasingly grander scale
- ◆ Begin a movement in your home church to call out laborers to an unreached people group
- ◆ Enable leaders in your church to see the direction He is leading them to be in partnership with this people group
- ◆ Make clear the involvement you should have in the years to come
- ◆ Provide workers with a variety of skills for this partnership
- ◆ Confront you personally with His claim on your life until you are at peace with Him

Day 12

Worship

Meditate on Jeremiah 29:7, 11-13

Begin your day:

- ◆ Glorifying God for who He is
- ◆ Thanking Him for what He's done, is doing and promises to do through this prayer walk
- ◆ Praising God for His careful and individual concern for your life
- ◆ Letting your heart overflow with the joy of His promises

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