# We continue stedfastly in prayer, and in the ministry of the word.

Acts 6: 4 ASV

#### Fear not, only believe Communion Message

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 Welcome to fellowship. We continue stedfastly in doctrine, fellowship, breaking of bread, and in prayers.

• Let our voices unite in prayer.

- My Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Luke 11: 2
- I come boldly unto the throne of grace, that I may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. Hebrews 4: 16
- My body is the temple of the Holy Spirit. I Corinthians 6: 19
- The place in which the Holy Spirit dwells, I Corinthians 6: 20

- the instrument through which the Holy Spirit works. I Corinthians 6: 20
- Let mine eye look upon no evil thing. Romans 12: 1
- Let my tongue speak no filthy thing. Romans 12: 1
- Let mine hand do no lawless deed. Romans 12: 1
- Let my body, with all its energies and powers, be a living sacrifice. Romans 12: 1
- Let me do good works also. Romans 12: 2

- Let my hand do alms. Romans 12: 2
- Let my mouth bless. Romans 12: 2
- Let my ear find leisure hearing Scripture. Romans 12: 2
- Let my service be Holy and acceptable unto God. Romans 12: 2
- Let me put on kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering, forgiveness and above all charity, which is the bond of perfectness. Colossians 3: 12-14

- Let me put off; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication and lying. Colossians 3: 8-9
- Asking all in Jesus name. John 14: 14 Amen.

Let's worship in song, listen first then sing.
 BLESSED ASSURANCE
 Hymn #2

1. Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine! Heir of sal-va-tion pur-chase of God, Born of His Spir-it, washed in His blood. This is my sto-ry, this is my song, Prais-ing my Savior all the day long; This is my sto-ry, this is my song, Prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long.

3. Per-fect sub-mis-sion all is at rest, I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest; Watching and wait-ing, look-ing above, Filled with His goodness, lost in His love. This is my sto-ry, this is my song, Prais-ing my Savior all the day long; This is my sto-ry, this is my song, Prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long.

 Let's continue to worship in song. Hymn #12
 BLESSED REDEEMER

- 1. Up Cal-vary's mountain one dreadful morn, Walked Christ my Savior, weary and worn;
- Fac-ing for sin-ners death on the cross, That He might save them from endless loss.
  - Bless-ed Re-deem-er! Pre-cious Re-deem-er! Seems now I see Him on Cal-va-ry's tree;
- Wound-ed and bleed-ing, for sin-ners plead-ing-Blind and un-heed—ing- dy-ing for me!

NEXT

- 2. "Fa-ther, forgive them!" thus did He pray, E'en while His life-blood flowed fast a-way;
  - Pray-ing for sin-ners while in such woe- No one but Je-sus ev-er loved so.
    - Bless-ed Re-deem-er! Pre-cious Re-deem-er! Seems now I see Him on Cal-va-ry's tree;
  - Wound-ed and bleed-ing, for sin-ners plead-ing-Blind and un-heed—ing- dy-ing for me!

NEXT

- 3. O how I love Him, Sav-iour and friend, How can my prais-es ev-er find end!
- Thro' years un-num-bered on heaven's shore, My tongue shall praise Him for-ev-er-more.
  - Bless-ed Re-deem-er! Pre-cious Re-deem-er! Seems now I see Him on Cal-va-ry's tree;
  - Wound-ed and bleed-ing, for sin-ners plead-ing-Blind and un-heed—ing- dy-ing for me!

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- If you have made confession with your mouth; Jesus is Lord, believe in your heart God raised Him from the dead, and have been obedient in baptism, you are invited to partake of the Lords Supper.
- Every one angry with his brother shall be in danger of the judgment. If you are at the altar, and remember thy brother hath aught against thee, leave the altar, and go be reconciled to thy brother, then come and offer thy gift.

Matthew 5: 22-24 ASV

- There is aught against me.
- I was involved in an accident Monday 16 April 2016 with a backhoe. Knocked to the ground, my wrist, elbow, rib, knee and chest was hurt. I bumped my head on the asphalt and the breath was knocked out of me. I prayed and slowly arose. Everything worked and I could move. I knew that pain and soreness would set in. I continued praying for relief and healing, never seeing a doctor, nor wanting a report made against the operator.

- I 16 confess my sin to another. The supplication of a righteous man availeth much in its working. James 5: 16 ASV
- Prayer claiming healing does not always bring bring results.
- After private prayer the help of others should never be ignored. This potential I should never discard.
- I failed to seek fellowship of others over my affliction. I need the ministry of the church.

- If two agree on earth as touching any thing they shall ask it and it shall be done of the Father.
   (Matthew 18: 19).
- It worked for Peter when he was in prison and prayer was made for him without ceasing (Acts 2: 15).
- Healing prayers of others require a definite and specific gift of faith bestowed on those making the request.
- Faith cometh (Romans 10: 17).

- It is the gift of God (Ephesians 2:8).
- I can not offer such prayer at will. If I could I would. God's will is superior to my will. God's will expressed through other human lips make it the prayer of faith. I know what I want, but do I know what God wants?
- I want to do God's will.
- Faith must look to God alone for revelation of His will.

- Oil speaks of the Holy Spirit. There must be an anointing. Nothing happens outside of the Holy Spirit. 14 Is any among you sick? anoint him with oil in the name of the Lord. James 5: 14 ASV The oil does not heal me. It is an outward act. I relate myself to Christ and His way of life. I am His pleasure both to will and to do. (Philippians 2: 13)
- The prayer of faith saves the sick (James 5: 14-15).
- I ask your forgiveness and that you unite your voices in this prayer of faith.

- My Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Luke 11:2
- We come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. Hebrews 4: 16
- He whom You love is afflicted. John 11: 3
- We pray for another, knowing effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

- We pray this affliction is not unto death, but for the glory of God, that the Son of God might be glorified thereby. John 11: 4
- We offer this prayer of faith the Lord shall raise Terry up. James 5: 14
- If he committed sins, they shall be forgiven him. James 5: 15
- May the word of Christ have course, and be glorified. II Thessalonians 3: 1
- Asking all in Jesus name. John 14: 14

#### Prayer for Breaking of Bread

# Let voices unite in an Intimate Prayer of Petition.

- Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Luke 11: 2
- I come boldly unto the throne of grace, to find help in time of need. Hebrews 4: 16
- Asking all in Jesus name. John 14: 14
- Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. Psalm 51: 2
- I have sinned, and fall short of the glory of God. Romans 3: 23

- O God, blot out my transgression. Psalm 51: 1
- Conscious of mine iniquity; my sin is continually before me. Psalm 51: 3
- Against thee only have I sinned, and done evil. Psalm 51: 4
- Jesus took bread, blessed, and brake it. He said, Take, eat; this is my body. Matthew 26: 26
- My body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of Me. Luke 22: 19

- Jesus took a cup, gave thanks, saying, Drink ye all of it; for this is My blood of the covenant, poured out for remission of sins. Matthew 26: 27-28
- God so loved the world, that He gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish, but have eternal life. John 3: 16
- I like sheep have gone astray; I have turned to my own way; and Jehovah has laid on Jesus my iniquity. Isaiah 53: 6

- Jesus has borne my griefs, carried my sorrows; was wounded for my transgressions, and bruised for my iniquities; the chastisement of my peace was upon Him; and with His stripes I am healed. Isaiah 53: 4-5
- Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as in heaven. Matthew 6: 10
- For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Matthew 6: 13 Amen.

Celebrate Breaking of Bread

Praise God singing the Doxology:

Praise, God, from whom all bless-ings flow, Praise Him, all crea-tures here be-low; Praise Him a-bove, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost! A-men.

- On the night of betrayal Jesus Christ does not ask disciples be taken out of Satan's sieve.
   Instead He asks that faith may not abate.
   Father help Thou their unbelief ...
- Jesus put it on the line. He came not to call the righteous but sinners to repentance (Mark 2: 17).
- God breathed this Word to you. 18 Come now, and let us reason together, saith Jehovah: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool. Isaiah 1: 18 ASV

- Calvary is a welcome, not a warning !
- Text: Mark 5: 36 ASV

Fear not, only believe.

- You have missed opportunities ! But the invitation remains, Come ! 25 O foolish men, and slow of heart to believe in all that the prophets have spoken! Luke 24: 25 ASV
- Jesus' disciples discussed godly things. They talked together of all the things which had happened (Luke 24: 14).

- They were interested in the things of God.
- When that happens; 20 where two or three gather together in my name, there am I in the midst of them. Matthew 18: 20 ASV
- The problem was lack of faith. They were busy reasoning instead of believing. 9 If ye will not believe, surely ye shall not be established. Isaiah 7: 9 ASV
- Grief and sadness unnerved these men. They were groping.

- They were talking religion. In fact they were talking about Jesus. They were talking about His mighty deeds and works. What subject could be more choice? But they were talking in the wrong tense. It was something they had known to be true in the past. The present was something quite different.
- Jesus asked 17 What communications are these that ye have one with another, as ye walk? And they stood still, looking sad.

Luke 24: 17 ASV

 Unbelief grows in the soil of sadness! 6 In nothing be anxious; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.

Philippians 4: 6 ASV

They set it forth in order.
He was mighty in works.
He was mighty in words.
He was mighty before God.
He was mighty before all the people.

- This is an extremely fine evangelical position. The tragedy is in the historic position that Jesus of Nazareth was a prophet (Luke 24:19).
- The sinner and the sick are asking, What is He now?
- Heaven wants to know subjects you discuss.
- These men weren't up to believing fresh evangelism, especially when it was preached by women. 21 Besides all this, it is now the third day since these things came to pass.

<sup>22</sup> Moreover certain women of our company amazed us, having been early at the tomb; <sup>23</sup> and when they found not his body, they came, saying, that they had also seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive.

Luke 24: 21-23 ASV

 It was too much for these men, they were leaving town. They had to get away. They weren't as ready to accept the mighty works and the mighty words as they thought. Was their theory better than their testimony?

- The very pride of the evangelical is penalty. His love of the Word is indictment. He reads but does not accept. Pride and willfulness are the enemy. A closed mind can often padlock a heart.
- They needed a fresh revelation of a Living Christ. Then it happened !
- Christ set forth the Word. He quickens. The heart leaps to embrace His victory. Something within is kindled. 32 And they said one to another, Was not our heart burning within us,

while he spake to us in the way, while he opened to us the scriptures? Luke 24: 32 ASV

- When He first caught up with them, they addressed Him as stranger. Now they addressed Him as Lord; 31 their eyes were opened, and they knew him; and he vanished out of their sight. Luke 24: 31 ASV
- The challenge is this; Open the Scriptures ! Don't impound it with a denominational viewpoint. See Christ as He is !

- That Sunday walk and talk changed the lives of these men.
- Remember He loves you !
- He is walking in your direction.
- He will catch up with you, and if you will listen, then love Him,
- He will turn you around and back again toward your brethren.

 Let's praise the Lord in song. Hymn #25
 VICTORY IN JESUS

- 1. I heard an old, old story, how a Sav-ior came from glo-ry,
  - How He gave His life on Cal-va-ry to save a wretch like me;
  - I heard a-bout His groan-ing, of His pre-cious bloods a-ton-ing,

Then I re-pent-ed of my sins and won the vic-to-ry. NEXT

- CHORUS
- O vic-to-ry in Je-sus, my Sav-ior, for-ev-er!
- He sought me and bought me with His re-deeming blood;
- He loved me ere I knew Him, and all my love is due Him-
- He plunged me to vic-to-ry be-neath the cleansing flood.

NEXT

- 3. I heard a-bout a man-sion He has built for me in glo-ry,
- And I heard a-bout the streets of gold be-yond the crystal sea,
  - A-bout the an-gels sing-ing and the old re-demption sto-ry-
- And some sweet day I'll sing up there the song of vic-to-ry.

NEXT

- CHORUS
- O vic-to-ry in Je-sus, my Sav-ior, for-ev-er!
- He sought me and bought me with His re-deeming blood;
- He loved me ere I knew Him, and all my love is due Him-
- He plunged me to vic-to-ry be-neath the cleansing flood.

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Lord willing, we study doctrine and pray every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. Join us.