

OUR 21 DAY FAST - ROMANS 5:1-21

Seeking the Heart of God for the City of Azusa

A Community of One... A Body of Many

THE CHURCH OF AZUSA



AZUSA MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION

**From January 7 through January 28 we will
diligently seek God by fasting and prayer.**

BLESSING OUR CITY

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**By the blessing of the upright the city is exalted,
But it is overthrown by the mouth of the wicked. - Proverbs 11:11(NKJV)**

To bless means to empower for prosperity. The Bible tells us: By the blessing of the upright the city is exalted, but it is overthrown by the mouth of the wicked. The Amplified Bible, Classic Edition renders it: By the blessing of the influence of the upright and God's favor [because of them] the city is exalted, but it is overthrown by the mouth of the wicked. When we bless our city, we influence the atmosphere of that city. The word of God says our city will then be exalted. Imagine if we did this for every city in America — what would happen? With all cities thus exalted, our nation would rise to what God has called it to be. Today, let's bless our cities and change our nation!

**Unless the LORD guards the city, the watchman
stays awake in vain. - Psalm 127:1 (NKJV)**

I declare a blessing over my city today. I bless my city with the protection of the Lord according to the word of God. Azusa, you are blessed by God this day as He watches over you, 24/7. I declare that the favor of God is upon my city today and forevermore.

**...if My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek
My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive
their sin and heal their land. - 2 Chronicles 7:14 (NKJV)**

I release the blessing of healing over my city today. I declare, according to the word of God, that healing is flowing through my city. Healing is being seen in my city. It is a tangible healing that flows through every street and home within the city borders.

**The people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and upon those who sat in the
region and shadow of death, light has dawned. - Matthew 4:16 (NKJV)**

I speak "light be" into my city. I bless my city this day with the light of God. I declare that light has dawned in this city, and it is driving out all darkness, in Jesus' name. The light of God has completely covered my city from corner to corner.

**And seek the peace of the city where I have caused you to be carried away captive, and
pray to the Lord for it; for in its peace you will have peace. - Jeremiah 29:7 (NKJV)**

I bless my city with peace — God's peace, the shalom of God. In my city, great peace reigns. This peace saturates every city government office. This peace saturates our first-responders, our police officers, our officials. This peace covers our schools and our hospitals. This peace runs through our city streets, removing all division, strife, anger, and contention. Peace rules and reigns in my city. In Jesus' name, I bless my city with peace

**For behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and deep darkness the people; But the
Lord will arise over you, and His glory will be seen upon you. The Gentiles shall come to
your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising. - Isaiah 60:2-3 (NKJV)**

I bless my city with an outpouring of the glory of God. I say: God's glory is being poured out in my city this day. Light has come, and everyone is coming toward that light, which is Jesus Christ. I declare that the light of God is bright in my city and that the darkness cannot and will not overcome it. The abiding glory of God has covered my city from border to border.

BLESSING OUR CITY (continued)

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Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. - Matthew 6:9–10 (NKJV)

I bless my city this day with the favor of God. I declare that Your kingdom will come here in my city, O God. Let Your will be done in my city this day, O God. I declare that everything is now in my city as it is in heaven. We have an outpouring of righteousness in our city; we have an abundance of peace and prosperity in our city; we have a plethora of godly leaders in our city. Our city is like heaven on earth. In Jesus' name.

How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity! ... For there the Lord bestows his blessing, even life forevermore. - Psalm 133:1, 3b (NIV)

I bless my city with unity. I declare that the people in my city are in unity with God and His word. They are in unity with one another — we all, as one, seek the face of God and His plan and purpose for our city. I bless my city with unity, and I thank You, O God, that You command the blessing of life forevermore upon my city. Nothing and no one will ever destroy my city, for the hand of God is upon it.

Only be strong and very courageous, that you may observe to do according to all the law which Moses My servant commanded you; do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may prosper wherever you go. - Joshua 1:7 (NKJV)

I bless my city with strong, courageous, God-fearing, and Holy Spirit-filled leaders. I declare that these leaders will be strong in the Lord and will carry out His plan for this city. They will not waver, become intimidated, or follow any voice except the voice of God.

Therefore, I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence. - 1 Timothy 2:1–2 (NKJV)

I bless my city with quiet and peace. I declare that as we pray over and bless our city, a godly reverence fills it. I say that there will be neither violence by gangs or otherwise, nor disasters in this city, for it is blessed by God. In this city, all the people are blessed to lead a quiet and peaceful life in all godliness and reverence to the Lord.

The Lord brings the counsel of the nations to nothing; He makes the plans of the peoples of no effect. The counsel of the Lord stands forever, the plans of His heart to all generations. Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people He has chosen as His own inheritance. - Psalm 33:10–12 (NKJV)

I proclaim that God is Lord of this city. We are His chosen people; our city is blessed because it belongs to God. His will and His plan for my city will stand forever. If there be any plans devised anywhere that fail to line up with God's plan for my city, may those plans come to nothing. Only God's plan will succeed in my city. I bless my city with the blessing of Almighty God, Who rules and reigns forevermore — in my city and in my nation.



Romans 5:1-21 NIV

1 "Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, 2 through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. 3 Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; 4 perseverance, character; and character, hope. 5 And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

6 You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. 7 Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. 8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

9 Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him! 10 For if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life! 11 Not only is this so, but we also boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

12 Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all people, because all sinned— 13 To be sure, sin was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not charged against anyone's account where there is no law. 14 Nevertheless, death reigned from the time of Adam to the time of Moses, even over those who did not sin by breaking a command, as did Adam, who is a pattern of the one to come. 15 But the gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died by the trespass of the one man, how much more did God's grace and the gift that came by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, overflow to the many! 16 Nor can the gift of God be compared with the result of one man's sin: The judgment followed one sin and brought condemnation, but the gift followed many trespasses and brought justification. 17 For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ! 18 Consequently, just as one trespass resulted in condemnation for all people, so also one righteous act resulted in justification and life for all people. 19 For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous. 20 The law was brought in so that the trespass might increase. But where sin increased, grace increased all the more, 21 so that, just as sin reigned in death, so also grace might reign through righteousness to bring eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."

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