



# SACRED SEASON

21 DAYS OF PRAYER & FASTING

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## INTRODUCTION

# SACRED SEASON 2022

Sacred Season is 21 days of fasting and prayer devoted and dedicated to the pursuit of God's presence, hearing His voice and surrendering to His will and purpose for our lives. It is both a personal pursuit and a corporate commitment of our church, to annually set aside this time to honor God with the "first" of the New Year.

Matthew 6:33, "Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you." **The Sanctuary will be open Monday – Friday, Noon – 1:00 pm for Prayer during Sacred Season.** We will also offer additional opportunities for prayer on **Tuesdays from 9am-10am & Thursdays 10am-11am.**

The final day of our fast is Sacred Sunday. This is the day we bring our "first fruits" offering to the House. As we put God first, we establish Him in His rightful place in our lives. In doing so, He promises to bless our lives and make them prosper.

# THE VISION

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The Bible is clear that without Vision, people perish (Proverbs 28:19) and that people are also destroyed because of lack of knowledge (Hosea 4:6). At Calvary we strive not just to be able to do, but more importantly we strive to see! It is the earnest heart of our leadership to lead with vision.

We love vision, we need vision, we want VISION! But in 2022 we desire God's perfect vision. Vision and elevation are synonymous. High places yield a more expansive vision. The goal at Calvary is to constantly communicate the vision with clear understanding. It is the goal for our staff, dream team, leaders and attendees to SEE WHAT WE SEE!

Our Vision Statement is expansive, yet concise. We want to do ONLY the things we have been called to do and do those things well. The Vision Statement of Calvary is simple yet profound. At Calvary we exist to **Pursue Revival, Build Unity, Release Purpose, and Leave Legacy.**

The driving force behind our vision and mission statement is our core values. At Calvary, the foundational core value from which all our core values flow is that of **Excellence**. All that we have done, are doing, and will do exemplifies this core value. We are a church committed to excelling in love, purpose, honor, generosity, positivity, servanthood, and so much more.

We believe that as we obey God, each part of our vision, mission and core value statements will work together in a powerful and supernatural way to help us fulfill all that God has asked us to do.

## PURSUE REVIVAL

We commit to being a church that is passionate about PURSUING REVIVAL. Over the past year, Pastor Raley has declared “Our revenge will be revival”. Every time we gather, it is our resolve to passionately pursue the presence of God in a Spirit-filled, Spirit-driven and Spirit-charged atmosphere. The purpose of our weekly services, revival nights, and our other corporate gatherings is to provide a life-giving church experience where Jesus is exalted and worshiped, the Gospel is presented, and people are given an opportunity to encounter God in a real and powerful way.

Our pursuit of revival emanates into the entirety of our church and in each location. From our children’s ministries to our youth ministries, from our small groups to outreaches, and so much more; the effects of this pursuit can be seen and felt.

## RELEASE PURPOSE

At Calvary we understand that every person was created on purpose, with a purpose, and for a PURPOSE. We acknowledge that a part of our assignment, call, and mission is to help every willing person who calls Calvary home discover, unlock, and release their personal purpose. At Calvary, we know that by releasing you into your God-given personal purpose it ultimately aids us in fulfilling our God-given corporate purpose.

It’s our heart, no matter your age, to do this from your first day at Calvary. Because we are committed to RELEASING PURPOSE, we have created many avenues to help you discover and release your purpose. Whether hearing the Word of God in our services, assimilation (Growth Track), discipleship (Small Groups and Classes), mentorship, our streams of education (CCA & SEU), and serving opportunities; Calvary is intent on seeing all attendees fulfill the purpose of God on their lives.

## BUILD UNITY

The scriptures are clear that it is “good and pleasant for the brethren to dwell in unity”, and that where there is unity, “...God commands his blessing” (Psalm 133). At Calvary, we are a church determined to BUILD UNITY and be united. We desire to be a place where every person can connect with God and connect with each other despite our differences. We know that our creator perfectly created us all, and that our diversity is discovered in our differences not our sameness.

As a unified and diverse church, we are also called to be a lighthouse of unity to our communities, cities, and regions. Whether in our small groups, outreaches, services, or church/community events we are committed to being a beacon of hope and an oasis of unity in the regions we serve.

## LEAVING LEGACY

Legacy is lived before it’s left, and at Calvary we believe in the next generation. We are focused on building a church that experiences a move of God until Christ returns. We are insistent on maximizing the time we have been given and leaving those who are “next” with a solid foundation and a great example to follow.

Our focus on LEAVING LEGACY can be seen in our commitment to education. We continue to improve our school, Calvary Christian Academy (Preschool through 12th Grade), and we are constantly expanding our college, Southeastern University at Calvary Christian Center.

Our dedication to legacy fuels our vision to develop our property with the building of state-of-the-arts kids’ ministry facilities, beautiful upgrades to current buildings, and expanding our reach through missions’ giving and the planting of new Calvary Campuses in our region.

Our devotion to leaving a legacy can also be seen and felt through our generosity. At Calvary, we give generously because we know our giving extends our reach. Our faithfulness in our generosity empowers us to show our communities the love of God. Whether through meeting felt needs through outreaches like the Daytona Dream Center, ministering to our local homeless community, or by being an active participant of generational transformation in helping children through being an avid advocate for adoption or the special needs community. Calvary is committed to being “there” for the family and for the sake of legacy.



SACRED SEASON

SUNDAY  
JAN 2

# THE YEAR OF THE YES!

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*"Whatever God has promised gets stamped with the Yes of Jesus. In him, this is what we preach and pray, the great Amen, God's Yes and our Yes together, gloriously evident. God affirms us, making us a sure thing in Christ, putting his Yes within us. By his Spirit he has stamped us with his eternal pledge—a sure beginning of what he is destined to complete."  
2 Corinthians 1:20-22 (The Message)*

Perhaps there is no word more powerful than the word YES. The right yes can shift a season, open a door, create an opportunity, release resources, provide help, unlock forgiveness, and so much more. Yes is a mighty word indeed, and this word is most awesome when it comes from the Lord himself. Paul told the Corinthian church that whatever God has promised is stamped with the YES of JESUS! Wow, that is so incredible. 2022 is your year to possess every promise the Lord has for your life and to absolutely refuse to be denied! If God has made a promise to you and Jesus has stamped that promise with His yes, then rejoice, it's a sure thing!

During this Sacred Season of praying, fasting and giving, make sure to do exactly what this scripture instructs. Put your YES with God's YES and start this year off right, in harmony with Heaven and moving into 2022 with great expectancy.



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## SAY YES TO FORGIVENESS

BY PASTOR DAWN RALEY

DAY 1

MON JAN 3

*“As the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive.” Colossians 3:13*

In life, we face many situations where we are given the choice to forgive or to live in unforgiveness. Experiences, even from our childhood, can keep us trapped in negativity, a victim mindset, resentment, bitterness and bondage our entire lives, if we choose to hold onto them.

Though forgiveness is not easy, Jesus showed us it could be done. He was innocent, yet falsely accused. He was mocked, spit on, and beaten. As He hung on the cross, He lifted His voice and did what God desires us all to do; He forgave. He cried out, “Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.” (Luke 23:34) They did not deserve His forgiveness, but His will was surrendered to the Father’s. To say “yes” to forgiveness is not saying you condone someone’s actions or think they had the right to hurt you. Rather saying yes to forgiveness is simply saying yes to obedience to God.

“Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, outbursts, and blasphemies, with all malice, be taken away from you. And be kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, just as God in Christ also forgave you.” (Eph. 4:31-32)

Unforgiveness keeps you shackled to the moment that caused it, but forgiveness is the pathway out of your pain and into moving forward. It severs the power that it has had over your life and sets you free!

As we are in the Shmita year on the Hebrew calendar, we recognize it is a period when creditors released debtors from their obligations. It is a year of release. A year of letting go. Today, acknowledge the wrong that has been done to you and then release it. Choose to forgive the person who offended or hurt you. Move away from being a victim and release the power and control it has had in your life. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you move forward in the freedom of forgiveness in this new year. This is your year to live free, healed and whole!

**DECLARATION/PRAYER:** “Heavenly Father, I come to you in Jesus’ Name. Thank you for your forgiveness, time and time again in my life. As you have forgiven me, I want to have a heart to forgive others. I pray for those who have hurt me, asking your will be done in their lives. I forgive and release them from every wrong they have done to me and place them in your hands. I pray they will turn to you and be healed. Today, I say “yes” to forgiveness and I thank you for the healing, freedom and peace that is now released over my life and future. Help me keep my focus on you. Fill me with your love, strength and power! In the name of Jesus, I pray. Amen.”



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## SAY YES TO FASTING

BY PASTOR JAMES HARRIS

DAY 2

TUE JAN 4

*"My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow me." John 10:27*

When God calls you into a wilderness...will you follow Him? When He calls you to make sacrifices that cause you to become uncomfortable in your flesh, but sound in spirit, will you follow Him? Because Jesus did! He heard the voice of the Lord and followed the leading of Holy Spirit to go into the wilderness and fast; and the "YES" of Jesus is what birthed His earthly ministry!

As we fast, pray, learn, and discover truths about the power of giving God our "YES!", it's important that we also understand the power of fasting. Oh, I'd imagine even now Satan has already tried repeatedly to distract you from reading this devotional, because he knows fasting releases God's power in His people. And our "YES" to fasting puts us on a fast track to receiving The Lord's abundance and overflow in our lives!

Let's quickly take a look at the life of Jesus. In Luke 4, Jesus returned from a 40-day fast. He successfully completed His fast after being tempted to break it in the wilderness, and guess what happened? He immediately began to perform mighty miracles, signs, and wonders! You see, his radical obedience was met with radical supernatural favor! His "YES" to fasting made him ready to "...heal all who were oppressed by the devil..." (Acts 10:38). And so can you!

You see, just as satan needed to get Jesus distracted from his assignment, his fast, his "YES" to what the Father had asked of Him, he will try to get YOU distracted from this fast, and from keeping your "YES!" to God on this 21-day journey toward breakthrough! But we must not!

**DECLARATION:** So today let's declare that: "IT'S TIME TO GIVE GOD OUR YES, AND FAST"

**PRAYER:** Heavenly Father, help me as I fast to hear your voice with clarity. As I give you my yes, may the end of this fast with my Calvary family produce breakthrough, greater anointing, richness of joy, heaven's favor, and supernatural power in my life! In Jesus' name!



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## SAY YES TO SURRENDER

BY PASTOR LIZ CAFFMAN

DAY 3  
WED JAN 5

*"Trust in the Lord with all of your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to Him, and he will make your paths straight." Proverbs 3:5-6*

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Matthew 5, Sermon on the Mount

Surrender. Although surrender may be associated in most people's minds with defeat, when it comes to a full life in Christ, the act of giving up control is our first step to true freedom in Him.

Surrender is not easy. It takes trust, release, and a shift in mindset. In Jesus' Sermon on the Mount in chapter 5 of Matthew, Jesus shows us the idea of his upside-down Kingdom of Heaven. What the world sees as one way, Jesus flips the script and releases a mindset shift of surrender. Surrender your pride, surrender your attitude, surrender your need to be right; for those who do so shall inherit the Kingdom of God. Our level of relationship with the Father is directly connected to our level of surrender.

There are many areas of our lives we may need to surrender to God. These areas may include plans, goals, pleasures, ambitions, hurts, the future, the past, ego, sin, pride, anger, fear, health and even unforgiveness. By surrendering back to Him, you open the door to grace and peace over your life beyond anything you can imagine. Choose a life of surrender.

**DECLARATION/PRAYER:** Lord, I surrender all to you today. Every thought, every emotion, every process, every part of me. I release it all to you so that you can use me as you will and fill me to overflowing. Amen.



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## SAY YES TO HEALING

BY PASTOR YIDAN PADILLA

DAY 4  
THU JAN 6

*"For I will restore health to you and heal you of your wounds," says the Lord.*  
Jeremiah 30:17

Everyone in life, at one point or another, will have to walk through hard times. No one is exempt from it, not even Christians. Perhaps, as you are reading this you are in a hard season right now. In a season where you feel frustrated and defeated. In need of healing, asking God questions like when or why? When are you going to heal me? Why am I battling with this sickness? Then on the other hand, you have the enemy whispering lies in your ear that God doesn't want to heal you and that this illness is the will of God.

Those seasons can be extremely difficult to endure. But I have good news for you; I want tear down every lie of the enemy and let you know that sickness is NOT the will of God for your life! God's will is for you to be healed and whole. By the blood of Jesus Christ, we have been adopted into God's family; therefore, we are now sons and daughters of God. That means, by right, we have an inheritance that belongs to us! We have access to things simply because of the blood. Things like freedom, salvation, deliverance and HEALING! Healing belongs to you by right! Pastor has declared this year to be the year of the "Yes" and the Bible declares in Jeremiah, 'For I will restore health to you and heal you of your wounds,' says the Lord.

You may be in a season where you are in need of physical healing, emotional or even mental healing, but I believe with all my heart this is the year God is saying "YES" to your healing!! Have faith, be encouraged, and walk out your inheritance, because I believe God is going to release supernatural healing over your life. This year is the year that God will heal your body, heal your mind and heal your heart.

**DECLARATION/PRAYER:** God, this year I will exercise my right as your son or daughter. I will take what belongs to me by right, and I will say YES to your healing over my life. Amen.



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## SAY YES TO FAITH

BY PASTOR JOHN WILDS

DAY 5  
FRI JAN 7

Each of us have a choice to make in this next season. Will we allow doubt, fear, and unbelief to hold us hostage? Or will we take a stand and believe God for everything He has promised us?

In Matthew Chapter 8, we see Jesus in the boat with the disciples in the middle of a storm. This is an interesting story because while the storm is intense, Jesus is asleep! The disciples are all freaking out over it, so they decide to wake Jesus and say *“Lord, save us! We’re going to drown!”* Then, Jesus responds to them saying *“Why are you afraid? You have so little faith!”* There’s something for us to learn from this passage. I believe one of most disheartening things in this story is the disciples’ choice of words. Instead of speaking peace to the storm, or at least asking the Lord for His help, they say *“We’re going to drown!”* Their words reveal their level of faith.

Have you ever been in a similar place? Have you ever allowed the things you see in the natural to cause you to speak doubt instead of speaking faith? I believe the last season was a challenge for all of us. We have seen a lot happen over the past few years, but what we must continue to contend for is what we have yet to see. God is doing something great even though it is not always visible to our natural eyes. Regardless of what may be happening, let’s say NO to fear, worry, and doubt, and let’s say YES to faith! Let’s choose our words wisely and I declare that we will see what we have faith enough to believe for!

**DECLARATION/PRAYER:** In the mighty name of Jesus, I declare that we will see what we have faith enough to believe for. We say yes to faith. We say yes to every promise. We say yes to the will of the Lord. In Jesus’ name. Amen.



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## SAY YES TO SERVING

BY PASTOR JAMIE HARTSGROVE

DAY 6  
SAT JAN 8

*“When Jesus heard what had happened, he withdrew by boat privately to a solitary place. Hearing this, the crowds followed him on foot from the towns. When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick.” John 14:13-14*

**DECLARATION/PRAYER:** I declare that this year I am saying yes to serving God and others in a greater way. In this new year Lord, help me to see people as you see them and renew my heart to serve. Amen.

Serving is a selfless act that requires a love and compassion for others. There is no greater example of serving than Jesus. Jesus continually showed compassion regardless of the circumstance. It’s often easy to serve when you feel good or everything is going great, but serving doesn’t stop if you are experiencing a crisis or pain. We see this so true in Matthew 14. Jesus, after hearing of the beheading of John the Baptist, withdrew to a solitary place. But when people needed Him, He was available and He served.

So often people try to fix themselves before they activate their faith and serve. I can tell you from experience that serving heals. See, when you take the focus off your circumstance and put others first, God uses you to touch others and heals you in the process. Remember, what you magnify will have your heart.

Serving is an expression of God’s love in a practical way. Compassion, moved by a deep love for people, moves you far beyond a place of obligation. Being willing to be inconvenienced and uncomfortable, and living in humility, exposes any negative motives.

When we get our heart right after God, we get in alignment with the things of God and order is restored in our life. I encourage you to be intentional and SERVE through it all.



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## SAY YES TO WORSHIP

BY PASTOR COURTNEY RALEY

DAY 7  
SUN JAN 9

*“Therefore I urge you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies [dedicating all of yourselves, set apart] as a living sacrifice, holy and well pleasing to God, which is your rational [logical, intelligent] act of worship.” Romans 12:1*

At the beginning of 2021 I felt the Lord lean in and tell me, “This is all I want from you this year, build me an altar and keep the fire burning. Surrender everything: the way you thought your life would look, your desires and dreams. Lay it all down and pursue one thing: ME.” Oh, what joy there is to be found in true surrender! I’ll never forget that moment with God. It’s like a weight was lifted off my shoulders. I realized true freedom and joy isn’t found when we have what we want most. It’s found when we lay down what we want most to pursue the One that matters most: HIM.

There is an offering he is worthy of, and that offering is me. All of me. This is worship, to give him everything. Jesus modeled this for us. He lived a life of sacrifice and surrender. He walked in submission to his Father because he loved and trusted him. What a privilege it is to give him our all!

The Lord gave me a dream several years ago. In the dream I was on an altar with a wall of fire surrounding me. Beyond the wall of fire was a dark figure shooting arrows at me, but not one arrow could penetrate the flame. As this scene played out, I saw an army of people who had tied ropes around these large fortified walls; together they began to pull these walls down and rejoice as they fell to the ground. We are safest when we are on the altar. If we are postured in surrender, we are positioned for victory. I believe our authority is directly connected to our surrender. The most powerful vessel is a yielded one. This is worship. Our lives laid down at the feet of Jesus. Completely submitted to him. This may mean that your story will look different from the one you had in mind for yourself, because when your life is laid down, your story becomes his story for your life. Oh, but his ways are so much better,

and I’m certain his best for you and me is far greater than our best. I trust him, don’t you? I’ve made my choice. It’s settled in my heart. I choose Jesus. I will follow him. True worship is walking in obedience to God when no one is looking. Worship is still happening, even if no one sees your sacrifice. This year let’s build him an altar and keep the fire burning. He is worthy of this! As we do, I believe walls of darkness will fall, and the Kingdom of God will advance like never before.

**DECLARATION/PRAYER:** Dear Lord, you have my heart. You have my yes. You have my all. Your Kingdom come, your will be done, in my life as it is in heaven. I will build you an altar, and I won’t let the flame go out.



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## SAY YES TO LOVE

BY PASTOR BROOKLYN OLIVER

DAY 8  
MON JAN 10

*“Our love for others is our grateful response to the love God first demonstrated to us. If someone says “I love God”, but hates a fellow believer, that person is a liar; for if we don’t love people we can see, how can we love God whom we cannot see?” 1John 4:19-20*

**DECLARATION/PRAYER:** Lord, here I am. Today I say yes to receiving your love for me. Help me to reflect this love upon anyone whose path crosses with mine today. Amen.

As we step into 2022 we are saying YES to many things. Yes to the purpose and calling that God has placed on our lives. Yes to new passions and adventures in our personal lives. Yes to so many things. But there is something I want you to focus in on saying yes to before all of those other things. God’s Love. Now you might be asking, “Yes? To His love?” YES! One thing I believe to be true is that in the business of life, we unintentionally forget to stop, rest, and quiet ourselves before the Lord and openly receive the love of the Father that He so freely gives to us.

We also find in scripture there is a direct connection with us loving Him to us loving our brothers and sisters. In 1 John 4 we find that it is, in fact, impossible to love those around us if we do not truly love our Heavenly Father.

I don’t know about you, but I truly desire to start this day, and every day, in love. The love of the Father is one that is richer, purer, and more passionate than any love we will ever know. Let me encourage you to quiet yourself before Him today and receive the love that the Lord is pouring out upon you, so you in turn can be a true lover of men.



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## SAY YES TO GENEROSITY

BY PASTOR ANDERSON BUNN

DAY 9  
TUE JAN 11

*"He shall be like a tree, planted by the rivers of water, that brings forth its fruit in its season, whose leaf also shall not wither; and whatever he does shall prosper." Psalm 1:3 (KJV)*

The first chapter of the book of Psalms gives us incredible perspective into the necessity of living a life built on and around God's word. And while it does not directly deal with giving or generosity, hidden inside this text we find Biblical insight and imagery of what happens to seed that finds its way to the bank of a river. We all know that in the past year at Calvary we have truly lived in the "river" of God's presence and revival. As we continue to experience that river of God in 2022, I believe it is necessary to observe the importance of making sure our seed is planted by the river.

The first thing we note is that the seed planted by the river has grown into a tree. Showing us that if we are able to plant our seed by the river not only will it grow, but it will grow into something with the characteristics of a tree; steady, reliable, and unshakable. In 2022 I want my finances, my home, and my life to not only grow, but I want each to be strong. Therefore, I must get my seed to the bank of God's river.

The next thing we see is that this tree bears fruit in every season and that its leaves do not wither. The ability to constantly produce fruit is not a natural characteristic of trees, which tells us seed that finds its way to the bank of God's river provides consistent and constant provision. I do not know what 2022 will hold for any of us, but what I do know is that if I can get my seed next to God's river, the provision in my life will be consistent and constant.

Finally, we see a simple phrase 'they prosper in all they do'. Those who are able to get their seed to the bank of God's river prosper in all they do. This means God's promise is not to prosper you in one area of your life and not another, but rather in all you do. In this next year I believe God's desire for us is to prosper in our homes, our marriages, our relationships, our walk with Him, our finances and all we do.

**DECLARATION/PRAYER:** Will you pray this with me? God, in 2022 I am saying Yes to Generosity because I believe that as I say yes to You and get my seed next to Your river, everything I do will grow steady and unshakable, I will receive consistent and constant provision, and I will prosper in every area of my life. Amen.



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## SAY YES TO PRAYER

BY PASTOR ASHLEE HARRIS

DAY 10

WED JAN 12

*“But when you pray, go away by yourself, shut the door behind you, and pray to your Father in private. Then your father, who sees everything, will reward you.” Matthew 6:6*

During this sacred season, let's say yes to prayer in our secret place. It is so important to meet him in secret and be still in His presence.

When you get away in your secret place it is vital, like our scripture says, to shut the door. Shut the door physically and mentally. Shutting the door creates a sacred holy dwelling place for the Lord to enter in. Nothing can enter or distract you in this sacred place, unless you allow it. Back in the time of the tabernacle, the priest had to change clothes after each sacrifice. They wouldn't allow what was unclean to enter inside this sacred place. We need to do the same, by stripping away our unclean thoughts, motives, daily tasks, and any distractions that will pull us away from our dwelling place with God.

Once you've shut the door, begin to pray without ceasing! In Philippians 4:6 it says to not worry about anything, to pray about it. Cast your cares unto God for he cares for you. In Ephesians 6:18 it says to pray at all times and on every occasion. To pray in times of thanksgiving and distress, in sickness and in health and, above all, in faith. Give it all to God!

Calvary, it's time to say yes to our secret place! No matter where or what it looks like, get away and usher the Lord's presence in your life. Give God your yes, and he'll do the rest!

**DECLARATION:** I will run to my secret place in times of thanksgiving and in times of distress. I will shut the door to distractions and focus only on the Lord's presence. I will give God my Yes!

**PRAYER:** Heavenly Father, today I pray that I never forsake our secret place. Give me the strength and courage to get away in my secret place when life is great and when life is hard. Today, I give you my Yes in prayer. Posture my heart to hear your words and say “Yes” no matter what. In Jesus' name, Amen.



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## SAY YES TO THE WORD

BY PASTOR JOHN GALLOWAY

DAY II  
THU JAN<sub>13</sub>

*“What delight comes to the one who follows God’s ways! He won’t walk in step with the wicked, nor share the sinner’s way, nor be found sitting in the scorner’s seat. His passion is to remain true to the Word of “I AM”, meditating day and night on the true revelation of light. He will be standing firm like a flourishing tree planted by God’s design, deeply rooted by the brooks of bliss, bearing fruit in every season of life. He is never dry, never fainting, ever blessed, ever prosperous.” Psalm 1:1-3*

We are proclaiming 2022 to be the year of the Yes to God’s Word! Everything we need can be found in His Word! If we are to say Yes to the purpose and plan of God for our lives in 2022, we must say YES to the Word of God like never before!

Psalm 1:1-3 communicates to us what happens when we say YES to the Word of God! Our Yes to His Word keeps us spiritually ON TRACK! When God’s Word governs our lives, it keeps us from falling into the ways of sin and temptation!

Saying Yes to the Word of God not only keeps us on track, it also keeps us ROOTED! We are living in a day and age when we are constantly bombarded with things trying to uproot us. It could be negative comments on social media or a bad day at work. Without the Word of God, we are susceptible to living our lives based upon our emotions! But when we live based upon the Word of God, we are like a tree that is rooted!

The Word of God also keeps you REFRESHED! There are times in our faith walk when we feel dry and weary, but in 2022, as you say YES to God’s Word, you are saying yes to the refreshing and restorative power found in scripture.

Lastly, as we commit to God’s Word, we have the confidence to know, that we WILL BEAR FRUIT, and remain prosperous! I am believing this year will be the most prosperous year of your life! Not because of a promotion at work or a new opportunity, but because you said Yes to the Word of God! In 2022, we are saying Yes to the Word of God like never before!

**DECLARATION:** In 2022, My “YES” To God’s Word will keep me On Track for my purpose, spiritually Rooted, emotionally Refreshed and Fruitful in ALL areas of my life!



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## SAY YES TO OBEDIENCE

BY PASTOR JOSH CASE

DAY 12

FRI JAN 14

*And when he had removed him, he raised up David to be their king of whom he testified and said, "I have found in David the son of Jesse a man after my heart, who will do all my will". Acts 13:22*

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Acts 13:22, Matthew 6:10

When you desire to align your heart with the heart of God, the result is a life of saying yes to the will and ways of God, yes to obedience. In 1 Kings, the Israelites asked for a king like other nations, and God gave them Saul. While Saul answered the call to kingship, he failed to commit to the will and ways of God. After Saul's death, God raised up David to be king in place of Saul. David didn't just say yes to the call only, but also to the will and ways of God. David exemplified a life of obedience unto God and would be known by God as "a man after my heart, who will do all my will."

David pursued the heart of God and it ultimately resulted in a life of obedience to the will of God. God is looking for a man and woman to say yes to obedience unto Him no matter what it looks like, sounds like, or feels like. In this Sacred Season, I pray that as you pursue Him in fasting and prayer, that you would be a man/woman after His heart, who will do all His will.

**DECLARATION/PRAYER:** Father, have your way in my life. I say yes to radical obedience. I say yes to your will and ways. No matter what it looks like and no matter what it sounds like, I say yes. Let Your kingdom come and let Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Amen!



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## SAY YES TO PLAN + PURPOSE

BY PASTOR TANYSHA HARTSGROVE

DAY 13  
SAT JAN 15

*"Many are the plans in a person's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails." Proverbs 19:21*

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Acts 13:22, Matthew 6:10

The greatest plans we have for ourselves are no comparison to the plans of God. Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Sometimes the circumstances of life don't align with the plans we have made for ourselves, our families, and our future. There are times when hope feels like something just out of our grasp or like a distant dream. There may be times when doubt creeps in and you start to question why certain things are happening.

No matter the circumstance, take heart knowing God has better plans for us than we can imagine, and He desires for you to have a life of purpose. When you don't know which way to go, God has a plan. Remind yourself each day that God's promises never change and trust that God loves you and cares about you, your family, and your future more than you can ever imagine. Whenever you start to feel discouraged, just remember that you were made for more!

**DECLARATION/PRAYER:** In 2022, I declare that God is with me always. I have renewed my faith and trust in God's plan and purpose for my life. I say "Yes" to God even when I don't know or understand His plans, because His ways are greater than mine. In Jesus' name I declare this over my life. Amen.



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## SAY YES TO PEACE

BY PASTOR VICTORIA GALLOWAY

DAY 14  
SUN JAN 16

*"...and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus". Philippians 4:7*

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Acts 13:22, Matthew 6:10

We often consider our yes to God as soft, subtle and relaxed. But today, I want you to know that your yes to peace is quite the opposite! Your YES is spiritual violence (Matt. 11:12)! Your YES makes hell nervous and gives God access to your life!

In our verse today, pay attention to the words surpasses, guards and heart. Surpasses is to be higher, supreme and to rank with power and authority. Guard is to watch and to protect. Lastly, the heart is your soul and mind.

In other words when you say yes, to God's peace, you say yes to God's power, authority, and protection over your mind, will and emotions. I don't know about you, but I'm saying Lord, I give you permission to guard, protect and watch over all of me; my desires, my endeavors and my purpose in 2022.

Saying yes to God's peace also means saying no to fear, anxiety, doubt and distractions. We are saying no to anything that tries to exalt itself above the knowledge of God and attempts to take hold of our peace. We are saying yes and setting our minds on whatever is true, pure, lovely and praiseworthy (Philippians 4:8).

Moreover, if we are saying yes to his peace and no to worry, doubt and fear; we are simultaneously saying yes to his word. In 2022, know what the word of God says. Know that he will never leave you nor forsake you. Know that he is for you and not against you. Know that he has plans for you, to prosper you and to give you a hope and a future.

God's truth - his Word - dispels the darkness and lies of the enemy. Saying yes, reveals the truth. Saying yes to God's peace in your life gives God access to guard your heart and quenches every fiery dart of the enemy! So, Lord in 2022 we are declaring YES to your peace!

**DECLARATION/PRAYER:** Lord I choose to receive your peace today, and I give you ACCESS to guard my heart and mind!



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## SAY YES TO RELATIONSHIP

BY PASTOR JACQUI DOMINICK

DAY 15  
MON JAN 17

*Master, which is the great commandment in the law? Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment." Matthew 22:36-38*

Having a REAL relationship with our Father is the most important relationship you will ever have. You remember dating? Someone may be dating now...well you wanted to know errrrrthing, and you did whatever it took to collect information to see whether you have that compatibility. Am I right? Go to the extreme to know Him during this Sacred Season by asking Him for a deeper relationship with Him. How?

**DECLARATION/PRAYER:** Merciful Father in the name of Jesus, today I say YES to a REAL relationship with You. Thank You that you will not withhold this from me as I seek You with all my heart. I praise You for keeping Your heart and arms open for me; I love You in Jesus' Name, Amen.

**1.** Take time reading His Word – John 3:16, Romans 12:1-2, Mark 11:22-24, Romans 8, 2 Peter 1:1-10

**2.** Spend time in Worship - You can use YouTube worship instrumental. During this time tell Him I love You, I want to be closer to You, You are Everything to me (my life, my joy, my reason, etc.)

**3.** Pray and give Him Thanks – Remember, He was there all the time waiting for this time with you, show your gratitude.



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## SAY YES TO HOLY SPIRIT

BY PASTOR CHRISTIAN OLIVER

DAY 16  
TUE JAN 18

The Bible teaches us that the glory of the Lord is from “everlasting to everlasting” and that “of His Kingdom there shall be no end.” What I love about this is that it reveals to us there are endless depths to the Knowledge and the Person of God. There is always more of Him and His Kingdom to be experienced. Where we are in Him and what we have experienced in Him is only a mere taste of all that He is, and all that’s to come.

Relational Intimacy with the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential in going deeper into the Person and Being of God. The Bible teaches us that “no man can come to Father unless the Spirit draws Him”. Please understand that there are endless depths and dimensions available to us in God, but it is only the Holy Spirit that knows the way there. This is why Jesus called Him our “Teacher” and our “Guide”. He is the One who would say to us in Song of Solomon, “Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away”. He longs to take us deeper. He longs to make known to us the love of God. He is watching, waiting, and wooing us deeper in this “Year of the Yes”!

**DECLARATION/PRAYER:** Holy Spirit, thank you for your presence in my life. Thank you for always being willing to lead me and guide me deeper in the realm of the Kingdom. In this moment I say yes to you. I say yes to your leadership and ministry in and through my life. In Jesus’ name, Amen.



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## SAY YES TO HOLINESS

BY PASTOR DEMETRIUS MCCRAY

DAY 17  
WED JAN 19

*“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.” Matthew 5:8*

This is the year we say “yes” to Holiness! To say “yes” to God is to agree with His will. God’s will (desire) is that our lives reflect his moral character and divine nature. God is holy. In simple terms, God is sinless, pure, good, and separate from that which is common. Throughout scripture it is evident that God desires and commands us to be holy as He is holy (see Leviticus 11:44-45; Matthew 5:48; 1 Peter 1:16). God wants us to say “yes” to Holiness. The more we yield our lives to the Holy Spirit and submit ourselves in obedience to the scriptures (God’s word), the more holy we become.

Holiness is a lifestyle that is the evidence that we have become more like Christ. It is a life that we live, set apart from the world yet set apart unto God. Holy living is a statement to the world that we belong to God. Holiness is not a means to earn our salvation, it is the fruit of our salvation. Because we are saved, we should be holy. All that Jesus Christ accomplished on the cross has made it possible for the Holy Spirit to dwell in us and transform us. He purifies our hearts and, as a result, a pure heart leads to a pure life! Here are several of the many benefits of holiness: joy, peace, courage, love, the willingness to forgive, healing (inwardly & physically), a clean conscience (freedom from guilt, shame, and condemnation), power for ministry, and continual fellowship with our Heavenly Father through the Holy Spirit.

**DECLARATION/PRAYER:** Today and every day I say “YES” to holiness! Heavenly Father, thank you for your word and your Spirit that sanctifies us, making us more like you. Empower us by your grace to continually live according to the standard set by your word. Thank you for loving us with a holy love and teaching us to love you, ourselves, and others with the same love!



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## SAY YES TO HOPE

BY PASTOR JENNIFER WOODS

DAY 18

THU JAN 20

*"But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint." Isaiah 49:30*

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Acts 3:1-10

Hope: "favorable and confident expectation."

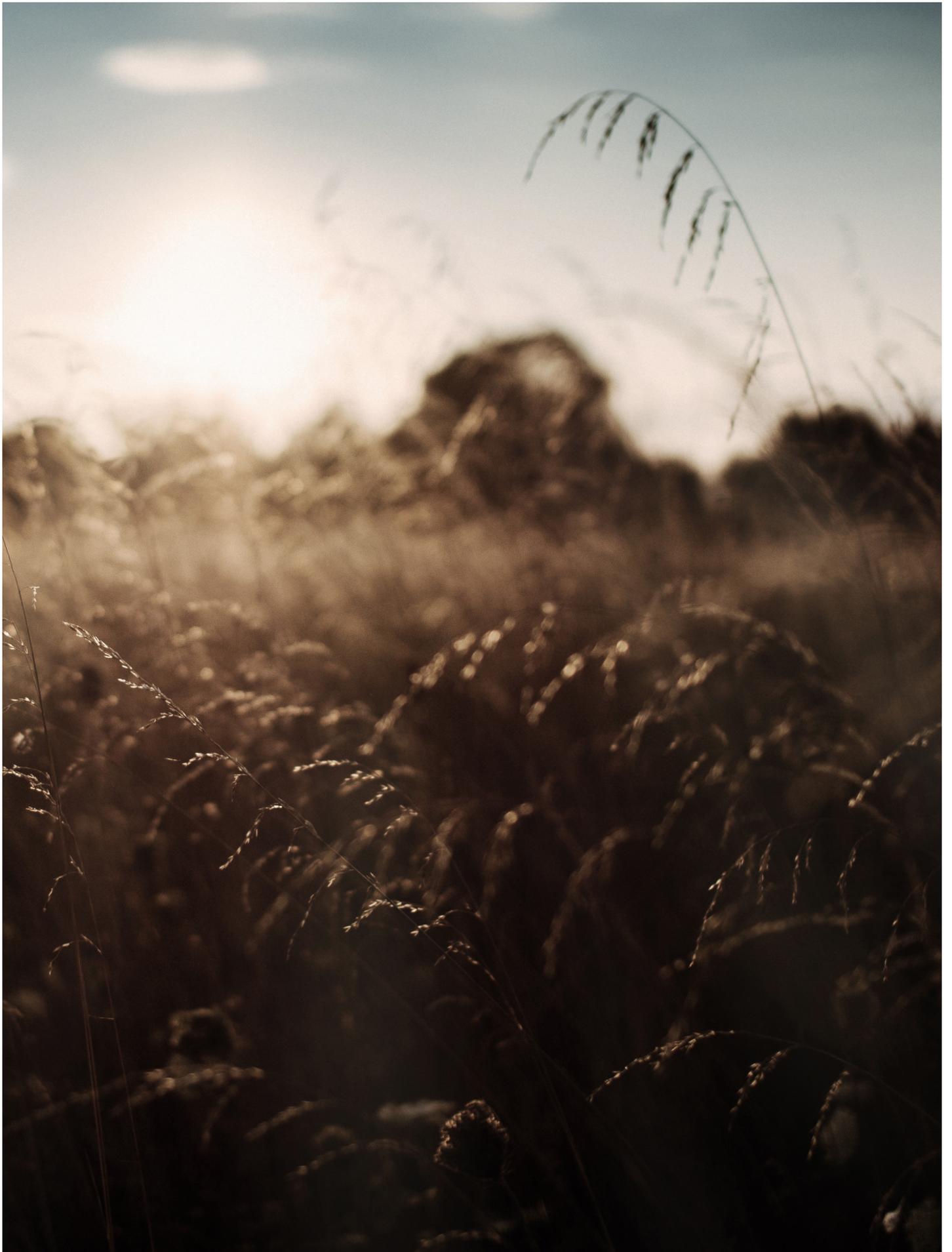
In Acts 3 the lame man expected to get money from Peter and John. He hoped they would give him what he needed to survive that day. But his hope and expectation let him down. It left him disappointed. They said "We don't have what you are hoping for. But what we do have, we give to you. In the name of Jesus, get up and walk".

Maybe what you have been hoping for in this past season has let you down. You've been left disappointed and wondering how you will survive. Don't give up hope! Sometimes God's YES is in man's NO.

If you've been disappointed by what you thought you needed to survive, take heart, because God is about to give you what you need to thrive!

The lame man received something greater than he had even hoped for. He jumped up and began leaping and praising God as he joyfully made his way through the gate called "Beautiful" (meaning belonging to the right hour or season).

**DECLARATION/PRAYER:** I declare over you that you are about to walk into a beautiful season. God is about to do something in your life this year that is greater than you could ever hope for or imagine. He will turn your season of survival and disappointment into a season of dancing and praising. Say yes to Hope!!



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## SAY YES TO FREEDOM

BY PASTOR JEREMY CAFFMAN

DAY 19  
FRI JAN 21

*"...wherever the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom." 2 Corinthians 3:17*

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Galatians 5:1, John 8:32

Have you ever wondered what it was like to be free? To live life unrestricted and with no boundaries? I'm sure at some point we've all pondered, "Oh to be free to/from...". Most of the time we look at freedom through the lens of a physical, tangible situation. But what happens when God makes us aware of our spiritual condition and our need for true freedom?

In Galatians 5:1 Paul wrote, "it is for freedom that Christ has set us free" and Jesus reminds us that He came to this earth to give us life and that life to the overflow. He came so that we can have freedom and life beyond the mundane. A life full of joy, peace, and purpose!

In this "Year of the Yes" God has given us an open door and is calling us to pursue Him at another level. So, we must make up our minds to practice His presence at all costs. That means allowing the Father to shine His light in our lives; the very deep places that we would try to hide from Him and allow Him to bring freedom to those areas. Our natural tendency is to protect those areas because of the possible pain associated with them. But when we remember that we are made righteous by Jesus' work at the cross, we are free to live in the grace and mercy of His finished work.

**DECLARATION/PRAYER:** Father, as I seek you at a greater level, shine your light into my life. Show me the areas that need to be addressed and fill me fresh with Your Holy Spirit so that I can live freely in your finished work and help others find freedom, in Jesus' name, amen.



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## SAY YES TO LEGACY

BY PASTOR JOSH CARTER

DAY 20

SAT JAN 22

*"Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet Before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord. And he will turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the hearts of the children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the earth with a curse." Malachi 4:5-6 (NKJV)*

Every person on planet earth has been created and endowed with purpose. That purpose and the gifts, talents, and abilities that come with it have been given to you by God himself. He is the author of purpose. And because you need time to fulfill that purpose, God has also gifted you with life! Yes, it is God that has blessed you with the days, months, and years to fulfill your purpose in the earth.

It is the combination of divine purpose and a limited life span that leads to the reality of legacy. It is important to realize that while our purpose is for us, that God's desire is that our purpose live beyond us and impact those who are coming behind us. In other words, God wants us to live with legacy on our minds. He wants us to be conscious that our life here on Earth will eventually come to an end, and that what we have, tangibly and intangibly, should and must be passed on.

Legacy answers the question: What are you passing on before you pass away? Many times, people will ask "How do you want to be remembered?" But kingdom people, legacy minded people, ask that question a little bit differently. Kingdom people ask, "With all God has invested into me, how does God want my life to be remembered?". We must never forget that every one of us will pass something on and leave something behind, even if that something is nothing.

See, legacy is not something that God wants us to become aware of in the late stages of life. He doesn't want us scrambling at the end to decide and determine what will remain of us once we are gone. Legacy is lived before its left! Whether you are conscious of it or not, you are living out now what you will leave behind later! In 2022, we must say "yes to legacy".

Let's go a little deeper. God's desire for legacy is connected to God's identity as a father. John 3:16 emphatically tells us his heart for legacy. The Bible declares that "God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten son that whosoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life". God's yes to legacy was such a priority that he willingly gave his one and only son for the sake of many future sons and daughters. The legacy of heaven on Earth, and the kingdom of God continuing to advance on the earth, is part of the premise of the gospel itself.

With this context our scripture holds much more weight. In the last and final days, God will prioritize the sake of legacy and his eternal purpose; turning the hearts of the fathers toward the children and the hearts of the children toward the fathers. As time winds down and the return of Christ approaches, perilous times will demand a greater focus on legacy. And if the Lord should tarry, our investment into legacy will ensure the purpose of the next generation, and ultimately the plans and purpose of God, will be fulfilled on a greater level.

Have you said yes to legacy? If so, what are you and what will you be leaving behind for future generations? A strong and persevering Faith? Holy Spirit Power? Generosity? The list can go on and on. God is looking for a people who say YES to legacy. God is looking for a church that says YES to legacy. Calvary has said YES, will you?

**DECLARATION/PRAYER:** God, help me to be legacy minded, to say YES to legacy, and to live in such a way that part of fulfilling my purpose is investing into those coming behind me fulfilling theirs.





## DON'T TAKE NO FOR AN ANSWER!

BY PASTOR JIM RALEY

DAY 21

SUN JAN 23

*"Whatever God has promised gets stamped with the Yes of Jesus. In him, this is what we preach and pray, the great Amen, God's Yes and our Yes together, gloriously evident. God affirms us, making us a sure thing in Christ, putting his Yes within us. By his Spirit he has stamped us with his eternal pledge—a sure beginning of what he is destined to complete."*  
2 Corinthians 1:20-22 (The Message)

Today, as you bring your Sacred Season seed to the Lord, you are combining your YES with the YES of God and as you do, get ready! The promises of God will be fulfilled in your life!

I love you all, praise God for 2022,  
**FOR THIS IS THE YEAR OF THE YES!**

We are closing out this sacred season devotional with the same powerful scripture we opened with. My heart's cry for you this year is simply this, if God has said YES to you concerning any promise for your destiny, resolve right now that you will not take no for an answer. This is your year to overcome the no's of life and replace each no with the yes of God.

Studies reveal that 98% of people are conditioned to stop when they hear the word no. The moment most folks hear no, they give up. Personally, I hate to be told no. My wife describes me like this, "You're Jim Raley and you believe the rules do not apply!" Imagine? Ya'll pray for her! Haha! I have always hated to be told no, especially if God has put a yes in my heart. I do my very best to do precisely what this scripture admonishes; I join my Yes with the Yes of God! This is critical, and you must determine to rise above your feelings, your circumstances and the negativity of others; and purpose in your heart to unite your YES with the YES of God.

Make no mistake about it, for every yes God has established in and for your life, the devil will attempt to replace it with a NO! This year will be different in the mighty name of Jesus. 2022 is your year to rise above the mentality of the 98% who accept every no and become a part of the 2% that simply will NOT take NO for an answer.











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