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PASTOR AT BOSHOFF
ASK THE LORD FOR RAIN
19 MAY 2021

WELCOME

Welcome all members who are joining the Homecell.

WORSHIP

Prepare Praise and Worship for the Homecell gathering (1 Praise & 2 Worship songs)

WORD

Zechariah 10:1 NKJV

Ask the Lord for rain. In the time of the latter rain. The Lord will make flashing clouds; He will give them grass in the field for everyone.

QUESTION 1: In this verse God promised rain for His people. What does this symbol of “rain” imply for us living in 2021?

Answer: “Rain” speaks of the outpouring of blessing and favour upon your life that will bring God’s divine restoration.

When these showers of blessing are poured out everything in your life is going to change!

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Ask a few cell members to read Joel 2:23-24; Psalm 68:8-10; Isaiah 43:18-19

QUESTION 2: According to these passages, what is one of the sure promises God made to His children?

Answer: God promised that when you’re in a dry season that He will cause...

- *your dry land to blossom again*
- *your barren places will produce much fruit again*
- *dead things to come alive*
- *hardened hearts will be softened*
- *chains will be broken*
- *burdens will be removed*
- *rivers will begin to flow again*
- *a new beginning – a fresh start*

Ask a cell member to read Haggai 2:6-9

QUESTION 3: According to this passage in Haggai, God also promised an outpour of His Spirit in the last days. God will rain His Spirit down on His people. What does that mean for

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us as a church? What is it that we need to start expecting when we come together as believers?

Answer: There are days of great glory ahead for the church. Before the return of Jesus, we'll experience the greatest outpouring of the Holy Spirit than what we've ever experienced. Therefore, we need to trust God to pour out His Spirit every time we come together.

Ask a cell member to read 1 Kings 18:41-45

ALTHOUGH GOD TOLD ELIJAH TO GO TELL AHAB THAT THERE IS A RAIN COMING, WHICH WILL BREAK A THREE AND A HALF YEAR DROUGHT, ELIJAH STILL HAD TO GO AND PRAY UNTIL THE CLOUDS BEGAN TO FORM IN THE SKY.

QUESTION 4: With every move of God there is a God part and a man part. What are some of the practical things we can do to prepare ourselves for this great move of God?

*Answer: 1. We need to prepare our hearts for it - our expectation and anticipation is God's invitation
2. We need to pray for it – "...ask the Lord for rain in the time of the latter rain..."
3. We need to plan for restoration
4. We need to prophesy restoration*

Ask a few cell members to read Ezekiel 37:3-5; Psalm 2:8; 1 Chronicles 4:9-10; James 4:2a

QUESTION 5: What do all these verses have in common?

Answer: God is challenging and waiting for His people to pray big, bold, and daring prayers!

Ask a few cell members to read John 14:13-14; John 16:23-24; Matthew 7:7-11

QUESTION 6: What is the one thing Jesus is communicating to His disciples in these verses?

Answer: Jesus instructed them to pray, to ask boldly!

Family... pray big, bold prayers - believing that God is wanting to move in your life!
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Use this time to pray for each other. Read Joshua 10:12-14. Joshua was bold enough to ask God for the sun to stand still. What are you trusting God for?

Encourage cell members to join us for our live services on Sunday. Let's continue to pray for and expect a move of God every time we come together!