



Weekend Message on August 3, 2025

DISCUSS & ENGAGE THE SCRIPTURES

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We can't make God move, but we can prepare our hearts through the five ways listed below so we're ready when He does. Before you go through how to prepare, take a moment to reflect on these two questions: what do you want this fall, and what is the current condition of the soil of your heart (Mark 4:1-8)?

1. Commit to gather (John 20:19-20,22,24-25) | What do you need to arrange or rearrange in your life now so that you can continue to gather even when you don't feel like it?
2. Expect God to speak (1 Samuel 3:10) | Do you believe God has something specific to say to you? Why, or why not?
3. Decide to obey before He speaks (Luke 5:5) | Where do you need to obey what God has already said in your life so you can move forward with what He wants to say to you in the fall?
4. Confess and repent (1 John 1:9) | Where do you sense the Holy Spirit inviting you to let go of sin or distractions that are keeping you from moving forward with God?
5. Fast and Pray (Joel 1:14, 2:12-13) | What's one step you could take to seek God with your whole heart this fall?

WEEK OF FASTING & PRAYER

We're setting aside August 10-17 to fast and pray together as the church as we prepare our hearts for what God wants to do this fall. Fasting is simply abstaining from food so we can seek and feast on God. You can find resources on fasting [here](#).

PRAY

Lord, open our hearts to Your grace as we prepare the soil to receive Your Word for us this fall.

MISSIONAL MOVE: CREATE THE FUTURE

As a reminder, we're asking everyone to do three things to contribute:

- Commit to Valley Creek as your church
- Every person give above and beyond what you already give (sacrificially) over the next two years
- Take one next step every year for the next five years

For resources and a digital commitment card, visit valleycreek.org/missionalmove.