

Prayer and Fasting

April 1, 2024

This month we focus our monthly prayer and fasting on confession and repentance of sin. Take time to meditate on the Scriptures, confess any sins God brings to mind, and pray for love for God, submission to the Spirit, and obedience to God's word to be evident in the lives of Southview Baptist Church.

Personal Confession, Repentance, and Yielding

"Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts! And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting!" (Psalms 139:23-24)

- Ask God to search your thoughts and attitudes.
- Carefully examine your words and relationships.
- Confess any sins of commission and forsake the sins that God reveals.
- Confess any sins of omission and make a definite commitment to obedience.
- Ask God to fill you with the Holy Spirit and trust Him.

Pray for a Move of Repentance to Cover Southview

Pray we will understand God delights in our repentance and sees it as a sacrifice to Him.

"The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise." (Psalms 51:17)

Pray we will understand freedom and mercy are found in confession and repentance.

"Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper, but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy." (Proverbs 28:13)

Pray we will turn from sin and obey God out of a deep love for Him.

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments." (John 14:15)

Pray the amazing promises of God will drive us to a deeper walk with Him.

"Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, bringing holiness to completion in the fear of God." (2 Corinthians 7:1)

Pray we will know the difference between godly grief and worldly grief.

"For godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation without regret, whereas worldly grief produces death." (2 Corinthians 7:10)

Pray we will not run from repentance, but will understand that Jesus' desire and plan is to present us without blemish to Himself.

"...Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish." (Ephesians 5:25-27)