## **40 DAY JOURNEY WITH JESUS**

## 7-DAY PRAYER GUIDE

As you prepare your heart for the 40 Day Journey with Jesus, use this prayer guide to help focus your prayers during the week preceding the start of the series.

"Pray that the Master's Word will simply take off and race through the country to a groundswell of response, just as it did among you." 2 Thessalonians 3:1 (Msg)

### DAY 1 (SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2003)

God, I pray...

- that we will dedicate ourselves to prayer for the 40 Day Journey with Jesus. Get us spiritually ready for what You want to do. We know that without Your power, we will labor in vain. Encourage us to saturate these important 40 days in prayer.
- for Pastor Kerry as he leads us. We also pray that Your protection will surround his family and him. We ask You to fill him with Your Spirit and strengthen him.

# DAY 2 (MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2003)

God, I pray...

- for the 40 Day Journey Team that they will complete their work for Your glory. I pray that they will honor You in all they do and say; that they will experience Your grace and favor as they serve You. Give them wisdom and strength as they give direction.
- that we would authentically hunger for spiritual transformation in our church and for lasting kingdom fruit in our community.

# DAY 3 (TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2003)

God, I pray...

• for our spiritual growth, that we will deepen our faith as we learn to live out Your five purposes: worship, fellowship, discipleship, ministry, and mission.

#### DAY 4 (WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2003)

God, I pray...

- that everyone in our congregation will join a 40 Day Journey Small Group, and that they will experience deeper relationships and changed lives. Prepare the leaders of those groups and equip them for this vital ministry.
- that each person in our church family will commit to memorizing a Bible verse each week and reading the daily devotions each day for the 40 days.

### DAY 5 (THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2003)

God, I pray...

 for the weekend services and the impact they will have on Your people.

## DAY 6 (FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2003)

God, I pray...

- for our Celebration Sunday, that it will be a true celebration of all that You have accomplished in us and through us during the 40 Day Journey with Jesus.
- that through the outpouring of Your grace, people would commit their lives to Your Son, Jesus Christ, who gives us purpose. Use this series to help our church reach out to our community more effectively with the Good News.

# DAY 7 (SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2003)

God, I pray...

- as the journey begins, that every person in our church would be open and receptive to its message, and that they would commit to living out the five purposes for which they were created.
- that we would be excited about the difference prayer can make and that prayer would permeate the next 40 days.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen." Ephesians 3:20-21 (NIV)