

Sermon: A Day of Prayer and Fasting

Scripture: Isaiah 58:1-12

- Introduction:**
- a call for such, Wednesday, June 27
 - one fast in God's law, Day of Atonement
 - other fasts voluntary
 - Joel 1:14
 - Pharisees, twice a week
 - Mt. 9:15-17 Christ not as Pharisees
 - Mt. 6:16, 17 Christ assumes followers would fast
 - details for us

- I. Fasting – a way to _____ before the Lord.
(Lev. 16:29 ff; 23:27 ff; Num. 29:7)

- II. Three times, circumstances under which we humble ourselves with fasting.
 - A. Awareness and conviction of _____ - personal, corporate.
Heb. 9; Joel 2:15-17; Jonah 3:7-9; Neh. 9:1, 2; Ezra 10:6; Dan. 9:3-5

 - B. Time of _____.
1 Sam. 31:13; 2 Sam. 1:12; ps. 35:11-13; Esther 4:3; Neh. 1:4

 - C. In need of _____ and _____.
2 Sam. 12:16-23; Ezra 8:21, 23; Neh. 1:5-11; Esther 4:15-17; Ex. 34:28; Mt. 4:1, 2; Acts. 13:2, 3; 14:23

III. Fasting which the Lord _____.

A. When _____ isn't _____.

Isa. 58:3-7; Jer. 14:11, 12

B. When we draw _____ to _____.

Mt. 6:16-18

C. When we do it from _____.

Isa. 58, James 4

IV. _____ from fasting before the Lord.

A. _____ - John 3:10

B. _____, _____ - Ps. 35:27, 28; Mt. 6:17, 18