



“21 Days: Preparing For His Glory”
Isaiah 40:3-5; Joel 2

If you ***embrace the summons***, you will ***experience the promise!***

The Summons: “Get Ready!”

1. Consecrate

- **Yourself**

Then Joshua said to the people, “Consecrate yourselves for tomorrow the Lord will do wonders among you.” Joshua 3:5, ESV

- **The Fast**

“Consecrate a fast; call a solemn assembly. Gather the elders and all the inhabitants of the land to the house of the Lord your God, and cry out to the Lord.” Joel 1:14, ESV

“Blow the trumpet in Zion; consecrate a fast, call a solemn assembly.” Joel 2:15, ESV

- **The Congregation**

“Gather the people. Consecrate the congregation...” Joel 2:16, ESV

2. Return

“Yet even now,” declares the Lord, “return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping and with mourning; and rend your hearts and not your garments.” Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster.

Joel 2:12-13, ESV

And Samuel said to all the house of Israel, "If you are returning to the Lord with all your heart, then put away the foreign gods and the Ashtaroah from among you and direct your heart to the Lord and serve him only, and he will deliver you out of the hand of the Philistines"...So they gathered at Mizpah and drew water and poured it out before the lord and fasted on that day and said there, "We have sinned against the Lord." 1 Samuel 7:3 & 6, ESV

3. **Wait**

"Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength. Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; but they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint." Isaiah 40:28-31, ESV

The Promise: Glory!

"Arise, shine, for your light has come and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you and his glory will be seen upon you." Isaiah 60:1-2, ESV