

WITH JESUS WE'RE FINE IN 2009!

“So it was, when I heard these words, that I sad down and wept, and mourned for many days; I was fasting praying before the God of heaven.”
Nehemiah 1:4

I had been thinking about what the Lord had done in 2008 and then I started to ask the Lord what He wanted from me in 2009 and the answer that I got was desperation. I need to be a person who is desperate for the power of the Holy Spirit in my everyday life. The thought of desperation just blew me away. I shared this with the other youth pastors and Jason Simpson read the verse from Nehemiah and said that this year we need to be people who are going to fast and pray and wait on the Lord. Looking at this passage the book ***Be Determined*** by Warren Wiersbe says, “*There is too much working before men and too little waiting before God.*” Nehemiah went against the grain in that he waited on the Lord, he came to the Lord with prayer and fasting, seeking the Lord’s will for the situation that he was in. In 2009 we need to be a body of believers that is continually waiting on the Lord. The Lord has a plan for this church and we got to see a glimpse of what the future holds at the property last week. I am so excited to see what the Lord is going to do and how He is going to do it and I want to be right in step with Him. I do not want to miss out on anything that He has for me and for us as a body as we move through the year.

After all of this I found a letter from Pastor Chuck to the youth pastors and he was encouraging us to follow the Lord and do what He wants us to do, and at the end of the letter he writes, “You’ll be amazed at what God can do.” This year I want to be desperate for the power of the Lord in my life and I want to encourage you to be desperate for the power of the Lord in your lives. Then in the end we will be amazed at what the Lord does in and through our lives.

Let’s serve the Lord together in 2009!

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