



## EASTER FAST CORPORATE PRAYER POINTS: **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2019**

### **Read Matthew 26:41-66 and open with songs of worship**

- Thank God for the opportunity to continue the fast. Confess and ask the Lord for mercy and forgiveness for every sin committed, ask that He cleanses you with His blood. Thank the Holy Spirit for the power He makes available to the church. Ask Him to equip you with power and discernment for tomorrow and help you in prayers. ([Matt. 26:40-43](#); [1 John 1:9](#))
- Jesus Christ overcame, it was a difficult road but He succeeded in walking it to the end and being glorified. Pray for grace to stay on the narrow path that leads to eternity, ask for grace to be faithful till the end ([Rev. 3:5](#); [Matt. 7:13-14](#))
- Judas Iscariot would have received forgiveness if he had returned to ask for mercy and forgiveness. However, he was overwhelmed by the magnitude of the betrayal he had orchestrated and rather than run to Christ and beg for mercy, he sadly took his own life. Pray for grace to be trustworthy to those who are with you. Present any area of your life which you feel guilty about and has become the basis of accusations from the enemy. Confess with sincerity of heart and ask Jesus Christ for mercy and grace to turn away from such acts. Ask that His blood will wash you clean and take away every guilt. ([Psalm 32:5](#); [Provs. 28:13](#); [Titus 2:14](#))
- Ask the Holy Spirit to help you have discernment to reason and act appropriate and justly especially when many around are acting based on sentiments and negative influence of others. Pray for grace to act boldly and defend those who are vulnerable. Ask for grace to speak up for those who are being unjustly persecuted and offer needed voice on their behalf ([Luke 23:1-25](#);) )
- Jesus Christ did not begin to justify himself or prove anything during His trial before Pilate and Herod. He did not challenge those who were hired to falsely accuse Him, this was a fulfilment of prophesy, why did He not contest the false accusations? He knew it would not make a difference. Ask for wisdom to speak especially in a crowd and grace to uphold what is just no matter the cost. ([Isaiah 53:7](#); [Luke 23:24-26](#); [Mark 15:3-5](#))
- Jesus Christ declared that He could do nothing of Himself, this was why He always stay in communion with the Father. He also stated that except we abide in Him we can do nothing. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you abide rooted and grounded in Christ irrespective of conditions ([John 5:19, 30](#); [15:5](#))
- Jesus Christ was loyal to the Father and faithful until the end. His meekness was crucial in making this happen. His wonderful love for the Father and the mankind He was willing to save fuelled this special character trait. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you bring forth this

special fruit and uproot pride. Ask for strength to be loyal unto God and be completely sold out to Him ([John 14:31](#); [15:10](#))

- Take other prayer points as you are led by the Spirit to pray
- Take songs of worship and thank God for keeping you and helping you pray today. Thank Him for answering you. Surrender Friday time of prayer into the Lord's, ask that His Holy Spirit will guide us and be with us