

FOCUS ON LEARNING

- **DIRECTIONS FOR FAST** - “The Lord will Help Us”
- January 6-26. 12am -12pm, Prayer: every 6 hours. 12, 6, 12, 6
- Fast social media 6am-6pm

2025: OUR YEAR OF READINESS

- **Share the gospel**
 - Opportunities to go out
 - Create an evangelism opportunity and we’ll help you implement it.
 - Lead at least 3 people to Christ and disciple them
- **Readiness to Grow in your calling**
 - Through service: time, money, heart.
 - Through study
 - Through submission – Be in a growth group or be active in a ministry
- **Portsmouth Church Plant**
 - Setting things in motion
 - Making sure all factors are good to go

LAST WEEK: JESUS’ UNUSUAL WAYS

Darkness is coming but the Light is already here. No fear.

TODAY’S MESSAGE: FOCUS ON LEARNING

Memory Verse: LUKE 6:40

PROVERBS 25:2

- The deeper the mystery, the bigger the plan, and the greater the search.
- Enjoying pursuit, searching, and learning.

LEVEL OF PREPARATION = LEVEL OF READINESS

ABRAHAM - GENESIS 12:3-4; 17:4-6; 21:5

HEBREWS 11:17-19

- You do not get that level of faith overnight. You learn it.
- God was using Abraham’s life to gather examples of faith for us.

2024: OUR YEAR OF THE MANIFESTED HAND OF GOD

ROMANS 15:4

- Focus on learning, not graduation.
- There is no syllabus for what you are going through, no matriculation date

JOSEPH – PSALM 105:17-23

GENESIS 45:7-10

- Instead of focusing on revenge and proving people wrong, focus on learning.
- Until you adequately interpret the dream of the King (God – not self, not friends, not others), keep preparing.

ISRAEL - EXODUS 13:17-18

- There is no shortcut for what you are going through – focus on learning
- Leaving Egypt was not the goal, it was the beginning.

DEUTERONOMY 7:21-23

JUDGES 3:1-4

JESUS – MATTHEW 3:11-15

MATTHEW 26:55-56

HEBREWS 5:7-9

- God want to make you a river, stop focusing on the cup. **JOHN 7:38**
- God wants to make you a source of blessing, some settling for crumbs.

2025: OUR YEAR OF READINESS

- Focus on Learning and Knowing God
- Deadline the self-imposed and people-imposed deadlines
- You are ready when God says you are ready – that is when real ministry begins.

PRAYER AND COMMUNION - Memory Verse: LUKE 6:40

- Lord, remove guilt, shame, and the weight of disappointments.
- Lord, reset my life clock to your schedule.
- Teach me how to learn from you.