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Description automatically generatedPrayer time via phone- Wednesday- 6:30am!**

”*Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.”* Phil 4:6

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Description automatically generatedSaturday, September 26th, 9am-9pm!

Join Christians from across N/E Ohio @ The Grove as we join The Return via simulcast. Refreshments will be served at meal times. Watch for more details!

**COMING SOON!**

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Description automatically generated**The Grove is committed to shifting our focus outwardly. A video series equipping everyone to be part of this outreach will be offered Sunday mornings at 9:00am. Start date TBA

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Description automatically generated**Do you like to make a joyful noise to the Lord? Do you have a musical talent but haven’t used it in a while? You are welcome to join our Worship Team no matter what your experience! We are not looking for standout musicians and soloists, just people who love music and the Lord and would enjoy being part of a larger group on Sunday mornings. Speak with Pastor Jeff today to learn more!

**MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY**

We are committed to raising up young disciples to a lifetime of service to God! Become part of our Kids @ The Grove ministry, contact Pastor Jeff today!

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Description automatically generated**Why Be Baptized?**

Three biblical reasons:

1- **OBEDIENCE** – being baptized is a first step of obedience for a Christian and should be done as soon as possible. Even Christ himself was baptized as our model in Matthew 3:13. Will you follow Christ in obedience and be baptized?

2- **PUBLICLLY** – Baptism is a public symbol of our private faith and is to be conducted in front of the entire church as a public expression. As a matter of fact, Jesus said very strongly in Matthew 10:32, "*If anyone acknowledges me publicly here on earth, I will openly acknowledge that person before my Father in heaven.”*  Will you acknowledge Christ publicly next Sunday?

3- **QUICKLY** – While baptism does not bring salvation (only faith in Christ does), it should be done as quickly as possible after salvation. Every example in the New Testament is one of haste. There is always a reason to wait and always another excuse for delay, but let me encourage you to be like the Ethiopian follower in Acts 9 who saw a body of water right after his conversation and said *"Look! There's some water! Why can't I be baptized?"* (Acts 9:36) Why wait?

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**“THE RETURN – PART 1**

**“Humility, Turning From Evil, Repentance”**

**September 6, 2020**

**The Way** | Ben Smith | Daniel Bashta | Pat Barrett

Through every battle, Through every heartbreak

Through every circumstance, I believe that You are my fortress

Oh You are my portion, You are my hiding place

Oh I believe You are

The Way the Truth the Life

I believe You are

The Way the Truth the Life

I believe (You are)

Through every blessing, Through every promise

Through every breath I take, I believe that You are provider

You are protector, You are the One I love

I believe You are

It's a new horizon, And I'm set on You

And You meet me here today

With mercies that are new, All my fears and doubts

They can all come too, Because they can't stay long

(When I'm here with You) (When I believe You are)

CCLI Song # 7089024

**O Come to the Altar |** Chris Brown | Mack Brock | Steven Furtick

Are you hurting and broken within?  
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin?  
Jesus is calling

Have you come to the end of yourself  
Do you thirst for a drink from the well?  
Jesus is calling

O come to the altar, The Father's arms are open wide  
Forgiveness was bought with, The precious blood of Jesus Christ

Leave behind your regrets and mistakes  
Come today there’s no reason to wait  
Jesus is calling

Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy  
From the ashes a new life is born  
Jesus is calling

Oh what a savior, Isn't He wonderful?  
Sing hallelujah, Christ is risen

Bow down before Him, For He is Lord of all  
Sing Hallelujah, Christ is risen

Bear your cross as you wait for the crown  
Tell the world of the treasure you found

CCLI Song # 7051511

**Graves Into Gardens** | Brandon Lake | Chris Brown | Steven Furtick | Tiffany Hammer

I searched the world but it couldn't fill me

Man's empty praise and treasures that fade

Are never enough

Then You came along and put me back together

And every desire is now satisfied here in Your love

Oh there's nothing better than You

There's nothing better than You

Lord there's nothing

Nothing is better than You

I'm not afraid to show You my weakness

My failures and flaws

Lord You've seen them all

And You still call me friend

'Cause the God of the mountain

Is the God of the valley

And there's not a place

Your mercy and grace won't find me again

You turn mourning to dancing

You give beauty for ashes

You turn shame into glory

You're the only one who can

You turn graves into gardens

You turn bones into armies

You turn seas into highways

You're the only one who can

CCLI Song # 7138219

THE RETURN – PART 1

“Humility, Turning From Evil, Repentance”

Jonah 1:2, 3:2-10

2 CHRONICLES 7:14.

**Top 10 Things Pride Produces in Us**

**1. Pride fosters *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* of God and His *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*** Deuteronomy 8:11-14

**2. Pride produces *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* 2 Chronicles 32:24-25).**

**3. Pride leads to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from God and self-sufficiency.**

**4. Pride causes us to make *\_\_\_\_\_\_* *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*** Prov 14:16, 18.

**5. Pride prompts us to *\_\_\_\_\_* in our *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*** Psalm 31:18

**6. Pride makes us to *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* we’re *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* than *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*** Luke 18:9-11.

**7. Pride causes us to *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* the *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* of others** Proverbs 12:15; 13:1; 15:31, 32.

**8. Pride encourages us to *\_\_\_\_\_* our *\_\_\_\_\_* to God’s *\_\_\_\_\_\_*** Proverbs 13:13-14; Jeremiah 13:8-10

**9. Pride leads to a *\_\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_\_\_* life** Proverbs 13:10.

**10. Pride keeps us from *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* our own *\_\_\_\_\_*** Matt 7:1-5.

1 Peter 5:5-6

***\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* yourself with *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*.**

2 Peter 3:9-10, [Proverbs 4:14](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Proverbs%204&version=ESV)*,* [Psalm 51:5](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm%2051&version=esv), [Romans 7:18](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Romans+7&version=ESV)

**How do we stay off the path of evil?**

**Do Not \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_ away and \_\_\_\_\_\_ on**

“***4****Don’t you realize how patient he is being with you? Or don’t you care? Can’t you see that he has been waiting all this time without punishing you, to give you time to turn from your sin? His kindness is meant to lead you to repentance.*

***5****But no, you won’t listen; and so you are saving up terrible punishment for yourselves because of your stubbornness in refusing to turn from your sin; for there is going to come a day of wrath when God will be the just Judge of all the world.“* Romans 2:4-5

With the Holy Spirit’s Help my Next Step today is:

❑ Today I have identified what pride has produced in me: forgetfulness of God, ingratitude, independence, poor decisions, sin in my speech, thinking I’m better than others, reject the wisdom of others, close my ears to God’s Word, strife filled life, from seeing my own sin.

❑ The one thing I can do, or stop doing, during our 40 day fast that will help me avoid evil is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.)

❑ Today, I turn from \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ so that I may be free