

Setting the Course for the New Season  
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### **Setting the Course...**

Theme Text: Luke 3:20-23; Luke 4:1-14 (NKJV)

Jesus is in transition to a new season

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#### **1. Affirming the Lord God's Rule**

Adam - Genesis 1:1 (Elohim – creator); Genesis 2:7-10,15-17 (Jehovah Elohim – Lord God); Genesis 3:1-14 (Elohim – creator no mention of Lord up to verse 8; vs. 8 it is the Lord God walking in the garden and calling for Adam)

Jesus – Luke 4:1-14

- His Voice – live by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God
  - ✓ God's voice – Luke 3:22
  - ✓ Satan's voice – Luke 4:3
  - ✓ Our voice – Proverbs 3:5-6
  - ✓ Other's voice – Saul I Samuel 13:8-14; I Samuel 15:17-24 (partial obedience)
- His Throne – Ezekiel 14:1-5 no idols controlling (things, person, self)
- His Kingdom – Matthew 6:33 (I am not building my own kingdom)

#### **2. Waiting on the Lord**

“But those who wait on God get fresh strength. They spread their wings and soar like eagles, they run and don't get tired, they walk and don't lag behind.” Isaiah 40:31 (MSG)

- Jesus doesn't just take off running – He allows God to guide, He waits on God saying now... **The Fear of the Lord** (Psalm 34:11)
- Wait = to bind together (by twisting), expect, gather (together), look patiently, wait for, on
- Jesus fast setting the course for new season
- Fast is the abstinence from food for spiritual purpose
  - ✓ Moses fasted, David fasted, Paul fasted, Jesus fasted
  - ✓ Matthew 6:16-18 (when you fast – rewarded openly)
  - ✓ Fasting humbles us before God – it does not twist God's arm

“But as for me, when they were sick, my clothing was sackcloth; I humbled myself with fasting; and my prayer would return to my own heart.” Psalm 35:13 (NKJV)

“When I wept and humbled my soul with fasting, it became my reproach.” Psalm 69:10 (ESV)

- **Humble** = to be occupied – busied with, become low, bow oneself
  - Sensitivity to hear the Holy Spirit – quieting of the flesh
  - Each time feel hunger pain – focusing physical hunger with spiritual hunger...
- Matthew 17:14-21
    - Mark 16:17-18; Luke 10:17-20 (issue is faith – rooting out unbelief)
    - What comes out by prayer and fasting - unbelief

### **3. Go in faith and the power of the Holy Spirit**

Luke 4:14

Acts 14:7-10

#### **Close:**

- Affirm His Lordship
- Commit to learn the Fear of the Lord – reverencing and referencing God/His Voice/His Throne/His Kingdom
- Commit to obedience – not partial but obedience

#### **Communion:**