We Have Hope!

Pastor Ross Sterling Russell, Church on the Beach, 1-22-23 **Text:** Psalm 23

- **1. The Lord will provide for us.** *Psalm 23:1, Matthew 6:33, Philippians 4:19*
- **2. The Lord brings rest and contentment.** *Psalm 23:2, Matthew 11:28, 1 Timothy 6:6*
- **3. The Lord will equip us for our mission.** *Psalm 23:3, Ephesians 2:10*
- **4. The Lord will guide us.** *Psalm 23:3, 27:1, 32:8-9; John 10:27-28*
- **5. The Lord will protect us.** *Psalm* 23:4, 33:2–22, 91:11; 2 Thessalonians 3:3
- **6. The Lord will comfort us.** *Psalm 23:4, 34:18; Matthew 5:4, John 14:27, 2 Corinthians 1:3-4*
- **7. The Lord will sustain us in times of trouble.** *Psalm* 9:9-10, 23:5, 55:22; *Proverbs* 23:17-19; *Isaiah* 40:31, 41:10, 46:4
- 8. We can trust the Lord for His mercy and faithfulness all the days of our life. Psalm 23:6, Isaiah 30:18, Lamentations 3:22-24, Ephesians 2:4-5, Hebrews 4:14-16

Ongoing Events:

Thursday Night Bible Study: At the Russells' home. This week we are in Acts 14. Come join us as we dive into God's Word! Take some time out of your week for great worship, Bible study and fellowship around the fire. Talk to Pastor Ross or Elena for more info.

January Bible Reading Plan: We are reading 2 chapters of the NT a day 6 days a week to finish the NT by June! Join us. We sent the January Calendar through church email. If you aren't on the email list, please sign up on the back table. Monday, we are reading Mark 9 and 10. Just jump in right there if you haven't already started.

21-Day Fast: January 9-29. You can fast TV, Instagram, meat, dessert, or entire meals --anything God might lead you to give up. This will give us more time to pray and more incentive to pray! Denying ourselves of something we normally do or rely on will increase the effectiveness of our prayers and draw us nearer to God. As we draw near to God, He will draw near to us! (James 4:8) Fasting and prayer is a key to unlocking and removing barriers and strongholds in our lives. Isaiah 58:6 says "Is this not the fast that I choose: to release the bonds of wickedness, to undo the ropes of the yoke, and to let the oppressed go free, and break every yoke?"

Upcoming Events:

COTB Discipleship Class: Meets weekly starting February 7th. Learn the basic tenets of our faith and much more! Zoom or meet in person. RSVP by February 1st to Dan Steward at dcsteward@alumni.rice.edu.

On the Beach Outreach: February 18th. Santa Monica Beach below Crescent Bay Park next to the bike path. Help feed the homeless, sit down and have a conversation, share the Gospel, and offer to pray for them. Pass out hygiene kits. Come and be blessed! Talk to Daniel Russell for more info.

Check <u>www.beachchurch.net</u> for more information about our church. You can tithe or give offerings using PayPal or you can put it in our tithe box on the back table. If you're not on our email list, you can sign up in the back for occasional updates, event recaps and prayer requests.