

# Awaken Tijuana - Pray Serve Give

*Our event in Tijuana is coming up so quickly and there is still so much to do! Here are some opportunities:*

*Our priority is always to pray - we have several prayer meetings each week in person. Plan to attend one of them. Also we will begin a 40 days prayer and fasting the first week of October and next week we will be asking everyone to make a commitment to that effort.*

*Even though the mission trip is closed, there are still options for you to come join us in Tijuana visit here to find out more:*

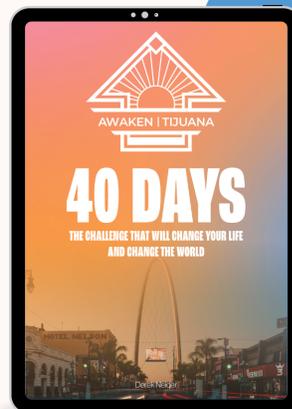


## JOIN US

and commit to 40 days of prayer and fasting

### SIGN UP TODAY

to get your welcome information (via email or text).  
With weekly content, prayers, and updates about the event each week!



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# PRAY FOR TIJUANA

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

Sundays 10am | Gospel Advancement Office  
Tuesdays 12:30pm | Worship Center  
Thursdays 5pm | Follow Up Room

# ENCOUNTER JESUS

Week 9 | When The Ones You Love Are Suffering | John 4:43-45

**YOU CAN DO MORE THAN PRAY AFTER YOU HAVE PRAYED BUT YOU CANNOT DO MORE THAN PRAY UNTIL YOU HAVE PRAYED.**  
-S.D. GORDON

Like the tide, everything has its ebb and flow. Economies, countries, our bank accounts, heroes and even our faith have their moments of rising and falling. In fact, the battle of our faith is sometimes fraught with seeds of doubt subtly planted by the adversary through a whispered scattering. This makes the anchoring of our faith in the unshakeable that much more vital. Some would argue that's why we need more miraculous signs, so our faith can be sure. But it's important to remember that signs are sent to signify where we anchor our faith, they aren't meant to be moored to. But is there any real danger of needing signs to bolster our faith? Yes, the danger is that our faith can become contingent or dependent on the next miraculous thing that God does, leaving us potentially disaffected or at a faith deficiency if God fails to come through on the hoped-for miracle. Remember, the only sign that is sufficient to anchor our faith to is the resurrection of Jesus Christ. You might ask, "Why then, do we pray for miracles and signs?" Because we carry the heart of Christ when we carry our loved ones to Him. Because we live with a sense of urgency to see Him glorified in the world. And because it just feels good when He answers prayer!

**Leaders:** Take your group through each section: **Pray, Reflect, and Reach.** Keep in mind the time allowances. In the **Reflect** section, feel free to focus on several of these questions instead of all as time allows.



## **PRAY** (10 min)

As a Life Group, take time to reflect and pray over this weekend's message. Spend time asking God to give you the desire and joy to intercede for others who need God's help.



## **REFLECT** (25 min)

As you've had the opportunity to reflect on what God has spoken to you through the lesson this week, consider these questions as a group and discuss them.

1. Bringing people to Jesus in prayer is the easiest thing to do, but honestly not always our first choice.

**Evaluate your life. On a scale of 1-5 (5 being best), how faithful are you to pray for people in need? When you tell people you are going to pray for them, do you really? What's your last intercessory prayer that God has answered?**

**INSTEAD OF TOILING AND FIXING AND FRUSTRATING AND COMPLAINING, START WITH PRAYING. BRING PEOPLE TO JESUS, ESPECIALLY YOUR LOVED ONES. HELP OTHERS BY PRAYING FOR THEM.**

2. Anchoring your faith in Christ and His resurrection protects us from having a faith that's only as strong as the latest miracle God has worked. Moreover, it ensures that our faith won't fail when we go through deeply difficult trials.

**Has your faith been growing stronger and maturing over time? Describe this. Have there been trials that have challenged your faith? Has your faith been strengthened or weakened? How can you help each other become stronger in faith?**



**REAL FAITH MATURES BEYOND BEING MIRACLE DEPENDENT TO THE POINT WHERE IT'S ANCHORED AND SETTLED ONCE AND FOR ALL IN CHRIST AND HIS RESURRECTION.**

**GOD'S PEOPLE, THE CHURCH, ARE SUPPOSED TO BE SEEKING OUT UNWANTED AND BROKEN PEOPLE IN JESUS' NAME SO HE CAN RESCUE THEM.**

**3. Spend time interceding for one another and even beyond the group's needs. Be open to the guidance of God's Spirit and trust Him as He leads you in what to pray for one another. Pray for the awakening people in our nation need.**



## **WEEKLY MEMORIZATION VERSE**

**John 6:68-69**

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God.



## **REACH** (5 min)

Considering what God revealed to you this week, spend time every day interceding for people in prayer. First, pray trusting that God will work His will. Then, when you see answered prayer, make sure to give Him praise and enjoy what He has done.

**We will be waiting with anticipation to hear how God deepened your intercessory prayer experience.**

