

A LONGING FOR MORE

*I-58 – Week 1
January 1, 2023*

KEY SCRIPTURES

- [Isaiah 58](#)
- [Ecclesiastes 3:11-13](#)
- [Hebrews 11:6](#)

KEY POINTS

- God has placed eternity in our hearts; therefore, we have an unquenchable need without Jesus. God is unchangeable but desires to change us.
- To want more and hope for better is as natural as breathing.
- To fast or to remove something good and replace it with something better is a discipline that can lead to transformation.
- The prophet Isaiah is directed to not hold back but to shout with a loud cry and tell God's people their transgressions. This is a first step in drawing close to God: understand what is in the way!
- Transgression is a willfully unrepentant heart that trespasses against God's desires for us.
- Faith pleases God.
- Belief in His promise to reward the diligent seeker is a great place to break unbelief.
- Fasting is the amplifier of prayer.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Are you ready to fast and pray this month? Discuss as a group your plans, concerns, and enthusiasms?
2. How does fasting breakdown the barriers of unbelief?
3. Are you ready for changes? Explain.
4. Spend time a group praying for God to speak and allow space to listen for what He may say to you.