TODAY'S SCRIPTURE FOCUS: ISAIAH 58 1-14

"PRACTICE LEADS TO PROMISE"

"If you want your church to become purpose-driven, you will have to lead it through four critical phases." (pg. 93-94)

4 CRITICAL PHASES:

(pg. 94)

- 1. Define Your Purpose;
- 2. Communicate Purposes;
- 3. Organize Around Purposes
 - 4. Apply Your Purposes;

"It isn't our job to create the purposes of the church but to discover them." "Once you have defined the purposes of your church, you must continually clarify and communicate them..." (pg. 112)

SERMONIC POINTS:

#1: PEOPLE

#2: PRACTICE

#3: PROJECTION

#4: PROMISE

SERMONIC POINT #1:

PEOPLE

(vs. 1-2)

"...Tell MY PEOPLE their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins."

Isaiah 58:1

SERMONIC POINT #2:

PRACTICE

(vs. 3-7)

"Is this not the fast that I have chosen: to loose the bonds of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, to let the oppressed go free, and that you break every yoke?"

Isaiah 58:6

SERMONIC POINT #3:

PROJECTION

(vs. 8-10)

"Then your light will break forth like the morning..."

"...then your light shall dawn in the darkness-"

Isaiah 58:8 & 58:10

SERMONIC POINT #4:

PROMISE

(vs. 11-14)

"...You shall be called the Repairer of the Breach, the Restorer of Streets to Dwell In." Isaiah 58:12b