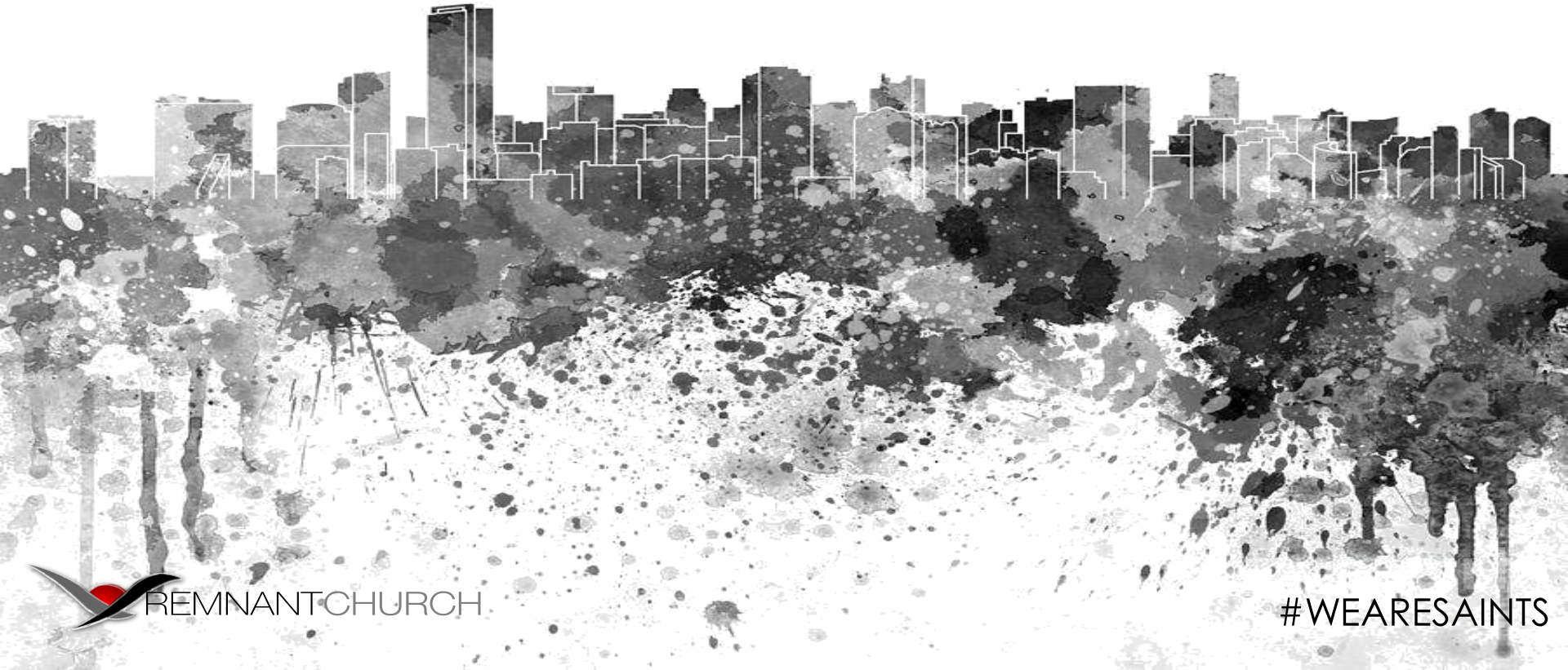


# Saints

ORDINARY PEOPLE WITH EXTRAORDINARY PURPOSE



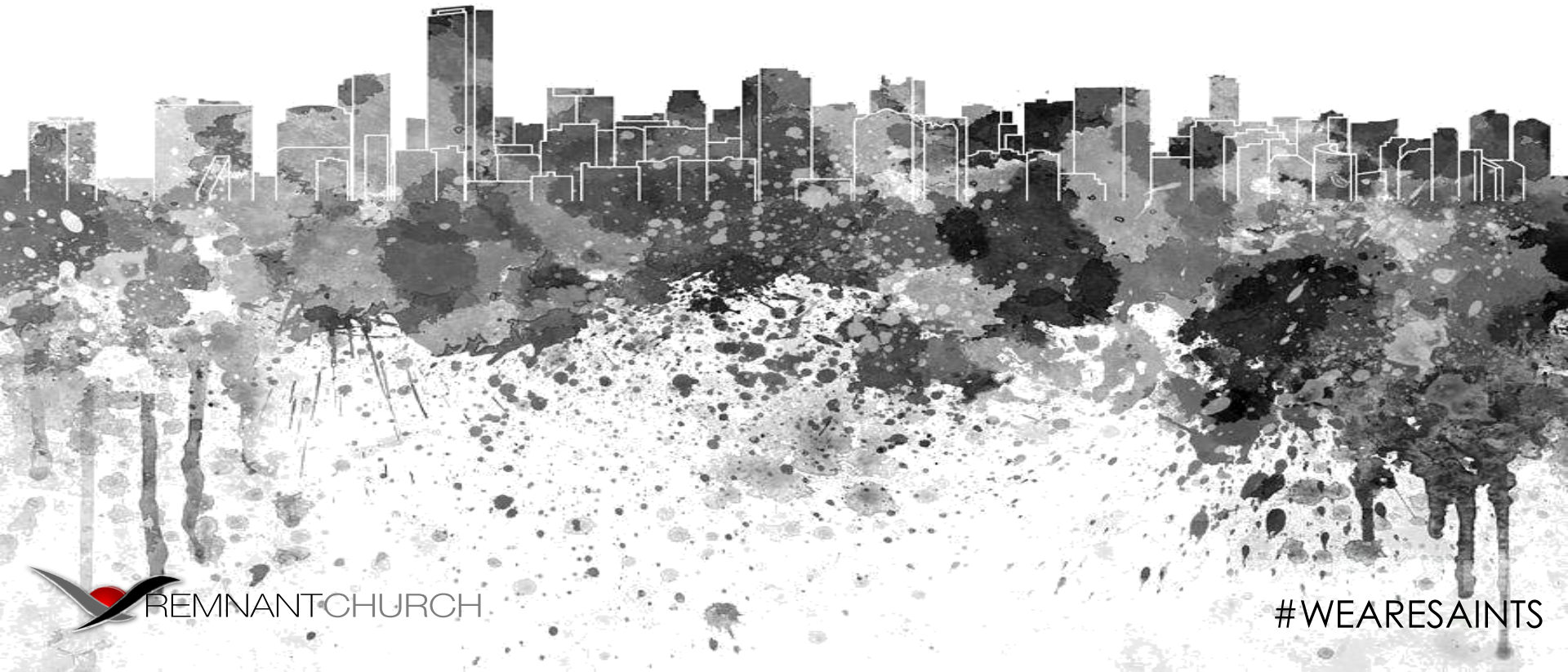
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# Struggling Saints

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Luke 22:21-34



## Luke 22:21-34

<sup>21</sup> “But here at this table, sitting among us as a friend, is the man who will betray me. <sup>22</sup> For it has been determined that the Son of Man must die. But what sorrow awaits the one who betrays him.” <sup>23</sup> The disciples began to ask each other which of them would ever do such a thing.

<sup>24</sup> Then they began to argue among themselves about who would be the greatest among them. <sup>25</sup> Jesus told them, “In this world the kings and great men lord it over their people, yet they are called



## Luke 22:21-34

'friends of the people.' <sup>26</sup> But among you it will be different. Those who are the greatest among you should take the lowest rank, and the leader should be like a servant. <sup>27</sup> Who is more important, the one who sits at the table or the one who serves? The one who sits at the table, of course. But not here! For I am among you as one who serves.

<sup>28</sup> "You have stayed with me in my time of trial. <sup>29</sup> And just as my Father has granted me a Kingdom, I now grant you the right <sup>30</sup> to eat and drink at my table in my Kingdom. And you will sit on thrones,



## Luke 22:21-34

judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

<sup>31</sup> “Simon, Simon, Satan has asked to sift each of you like wheat. <sup>32</sup> But I have pleaded in prayer for you, Simon, that your faith should not fail. So when you have repented and turned to me again, strengthen your brothers.”

<sup>33</sup> Peter said, “Lord, I am ready to go to prison with you, and even to die with you.”

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## **Romans 7:19**

I want to do what is  
good, but I don't. I  
don't want to do what  
is wrong, but I do it  
anyway.



# Recognize The Source Of Our Struggles

## Sin And Selfishness In Our Hearts

### **Luke 22:24**

Then they began to argue among themselves about who would be the greatest among them.



# Recognize The Source Of Our Struggles

**"You know your brain?  
Sometimes it just tells me to do things  
that get me in trouble."**





# Recognize The Source Of Our Struggles

**"We continue to insist that we are seeking God, when in reality, we are seeking to be God. We want godhood, not godliness. We want the sovereignty that uniquely belongs to God. We want to call the shots. At the very least, we want to be 'God Jr.' and have the right to rule next to Him."**

**Lou Bartet**



# Recognize The Source Of Our Struggles

## Philippians 2:3-8

Don't be selfish; don't try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves. 4 Don't look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too. 5 You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had. 6 Though he was God, he did not think of equality with God as something to cling to. 7 Instead, he gave up his divine privileges; he took the humble position of a slave and was born as a human being. When he appeared in human form, 8 he humbled himself in obedience to God and died a criminal's death on a cross.



# Recognize The Source Of Our Struggles

**Our sin is one of the biggest sources of our struggles. Recognizing this will help us turn away from sin.**



# Recognize The Source Of Our Struggles

**Our Enemy, Satan**

**Luke 22:31**

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# Recognize The Source Of Our Struggles

**Our Enemy, Satan**

**1 Peter 5:8**

Stay alert! Watch out for your great enemy, the devil. He prowls around like a roaring lion, looking for someone to devour.



# Recognize The Source Of Our Struggles

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**Luke 22:33**

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# Recognize The Source Of Our Struggles

**Our Enemy, Satan**

**Recognizing the danger we face from our enemy will help us run to the Lord for the strength we need.**



# Ask God For A Serving Heart

## Luke 22:25-27

Jesus told them, “In this world the kings and great men lord it over their people, yet they are called ‘friends of the people.’ 26 But among you it will be different. Those who are the greatest among you should take the lowest rank, and the leader should be like a servant. 27 Who is more important, the one who sits at the table or the one who serves? The one who sits at the table, of course. But not here! For I am among you as one who serves.





# Ask God For A Serving Heart

## John 13:1-5

Before the Passover celebration, Jesus knew that his hour had come to leave this world and return to his Father. He had loved his disciples during his ministry on earth, and now he loved them to the very end.<sup>2</sup> It was time for supper, and the devil had already prompted Judas, son of Simon Iscariot, to betray Jesus.<sup>3</sup> Jesus knew that the Father had given him authority over everything



# Ask God For A Serving Heart

## John 13:1-5

and that he had come from God and would return to God. <sup>4</sup> So he got up from the table, took off his robe, wrapped a towel around his waist, <sup>5</sup> and poured water into a basin. Then he began to wash the disciples' feet, drying them with the towel he had around him.



# Ask God For A Serving Heart

## John 13:12-17

After washing their feet, he put on his robe again and sat down and asked, "Do you understand what I was doing?"  
<sup>13</sup> You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and you are right, because that's what I am. <sup>14</sup> And since I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash each other's feet. <sup>15</sup> I have given you an example to follow. Do as I have done to you. <sup>16</sup> I tell you the truth, slaves are not greater than their master. Nor is the messenger more important than the one who sends the message. <sup>17</sup> Now that you know these things, God will bless you for doing them.



# Ask God For A Serving Heart

**We all need a heart like the Lord's heart: A serving heart.**



# Ask God For A Serving Heart

**Great things happen when we have a heart like the Lord's serving heart.**



# Trust God To Give You The Help You Need

## Luke 22:28-34

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# Trust God To Give You The Help You Need

**Jesus knows all about us. But He loves us anyway!**





# Trust God To Give You The Help You Need

**You can trust Jesus to help you through every struggle in life.**



# Share God's Strength With Others

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# Share God's Strength With Others

**God strengthens us to strengthen others.**

**God blesses us to bless others.**

**And God comforts us to comfort others.**



# Share God's Strength With Others

**"I want what happened to me to happen to her."**



**Recognize the source of your struggles.**

**Ask the Lord to give you a servant's heart.**

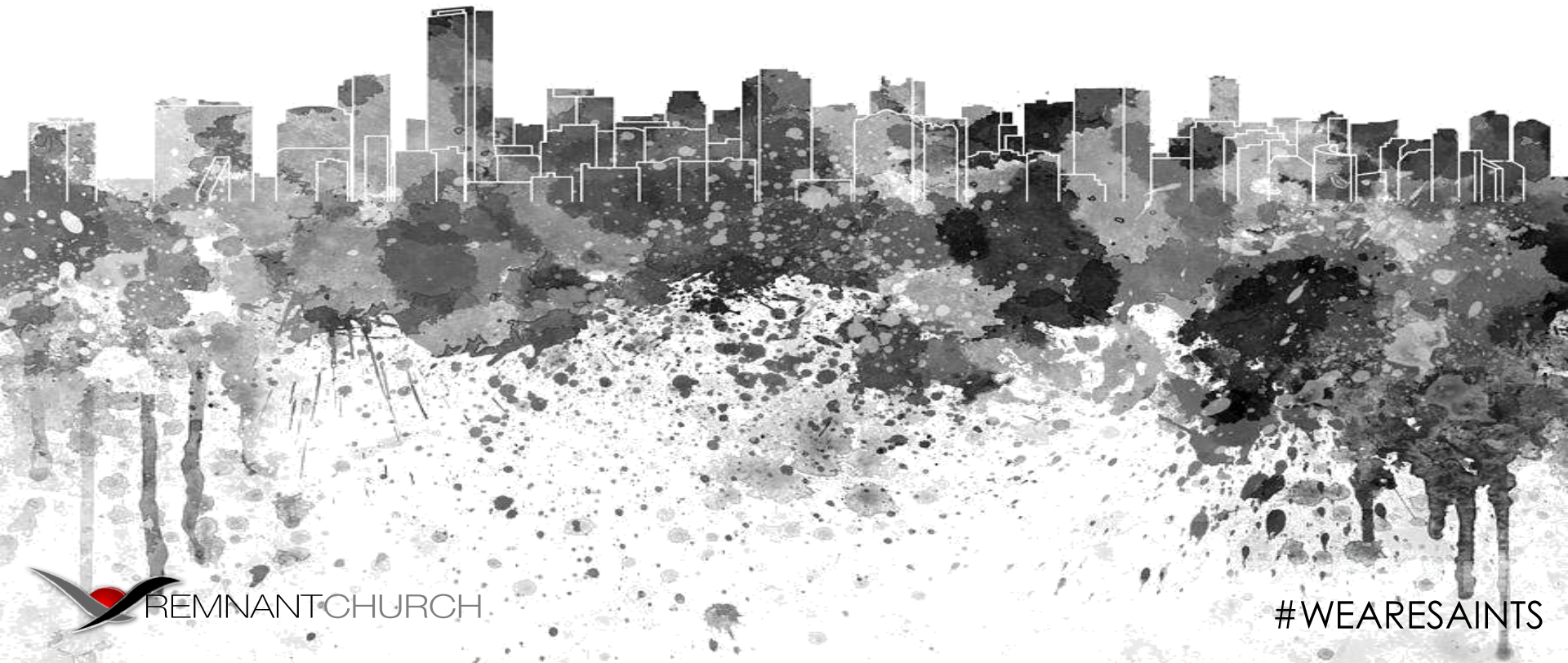
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