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Growing Deeper
In Our Faith
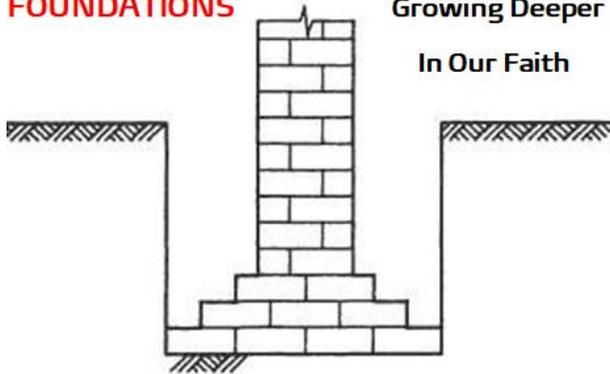
Psalm 11:3 (NKJV) ³ If the foundations are destroyed,
What can the righteous do?

Foundations Bible Study for the week of October 2, 2020

- **Read the Foundational Truth Text**: Joel 1:14
- Today's Message from: Dr. Ronnie Floyd – Executive director of the Southern Baptist Convention
- **Watch the Foundational Truth Video and use the outline below as you watch:**

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6NdS23GKiac

Sermon: "An Urgency in Prayer: Crying out to the Lord "

STUDY NOTES:

Joel 1:14 (NKJV) ¹⁴ Consecrate a fast, Call a sacred assembly; Gather the elders And all the inhabitants of the land Into the house of the Lord your God, **And cry out to the Lord.**

Basic Outline to the book of Joel

I.   **The Call to Wake Up – Joel 1:5**
II.   **The Call to Sound the Alarm – Joel 2:1**
III.   **The Call to Return to the Lord – Joel 2:12-13**
        a. **Return with urgency**
        b. **Return with complete humility**
            i.   **Will bring a new attitude**
            ii.   **Will help to bring an answer to our prayers**
            iii. **Will allow the Lord to pour out His Spirit (2:28-32)**

Joel 3:14 (NKJV) ¹⁴ Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision! For the day of the Lord is near in the valley of decision.

Reflections Questions:

1. Do you agree that we pray differently when we are going through desperate times? Why or Why Not?
2. Would you agree that America needs another great movement of God? If so, how do you think that might change our country?
3. What do you feel like this country has lost over the years? Why do you think that this happened?
4. Do you think that Christians in this country are as close today, as we were three generations ago? What is the basis of your claim?
5. Do you think that fasting, weeping and mourning can make a difference in the way that we pray?
6. What does the Lord pouring out His Spirit mean to you? (See Joel 2:28-32)
7. This message was preached in 2016 to students at Oklahoma Baptist University. Do you think that the conditions of our country are moving away from God rather to God? If so, how can you make a difference?