

“Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to My Father. ¹³ And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ¹⁴ask anything in My name, I will do it. John 14:12-14

Isn't this a beautiful picture? The Lord is telling us that if we have simple and complete faith in Him, we will be like Him and do even more of the things He did. Why? Because of His power resulting from our total faith in Him! Prayer is union with God and in that union with God, we become like Him and care about what He cares about...thinking the things He thinks...pursuing what He wants pursued.

Remember, that He is sovereign, all powerful, all knowing and everywhere. You can have confidence that when you ask, He will do it! Have a new expectation of what God is going to do through your prayer life. It's going to be different and more, if you continue in the process of being in union with Him, daily being Saturated by His Presence, and never giving up - He will answer!

Express thanks to God:

In closing,

“...to the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all the ages, now and forever more! Amen” Jude 25

Praise be to God. Hallelujah!!

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One of the most powerful divine weapons that mankind has ever known is at our personal disposal: PRAYER!

God accomplishes His will through our prayers. He waits in anticipation for us to humbly call on Him in prayer to bring forth His plan. What a privilege that God has called us to such a **strategic role**. This weapon in our hands is as powerful as we allow, based on our faith in

Almighty God and whether we choose to be His agents in prayer.

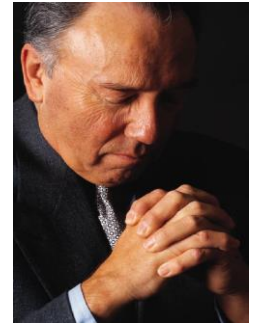
Jesus said, “**My house will be called a house of prayer.**” Matt. 21:13 He is saying this not only to the church, but to the temple within us where He dwells in our hearts. This is a divine weapon to defeat the world. (2 Cor. 10:3-5) God desires to accomplish His will through His houses of prayer: YOU – in union with believers within the church, crying out to fulfill His will. Are we responding to this invitation to change the world through prayer?

We cannot expect God to release His power fully in our lives if we are unwilling to obey and respond to that which He has already called us; that which is so crucial to Him. Ignoring His call to prayer doesn’t speak highly of our love and obedience to His commands. Just imagine unleashing in our lives and churches, one of the greatest weapons ever known in history. He is calling us to this strategic role.

What we desire is being in the Presence of God. When there, in the Holy of Holies with Him, within our spirit, we are guarded from evil being able to touch us, frustrate us, or hold us back. We get to experience His righteousness, peace, joy, love, unquenchable hope in life and His other blessings. We can be in His Presence like this anytime we desire it; praying His will and awaiting His answer. This is not something that should be embraced out of obligation or as some badge you’ve earned after being on a prayer team. Our Lord desires to do great and mighty things in you and through you.

C. Personal Prayer

The most important thing that God wants for your life is that you are **Saturated with Him**. He wants to bless you in every way possible that doesn’t distract you from being Saturated by Him. This is a great place to be praying about the things God wants to do in you and through you. Always remember that you are fitting into God’s plans; He is not fitting into yours. He has great and mighty things for you to be and do, taking many different shapes and forms. Enjoy the privilege of presenting all your petitions before Him.



Intercessory prayers for your nation, city & church:

D. Thanks be to God for what He will do!

As we have now gone before God, we have “listened to Him” and have been praying His will, His focus and thoughts. Let us demonstrate our confidence in **what He is going to do**, because of these prayers.

“This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to His will, He will hear us. And if we know that He hears us—whatever we ask—we know that we have what we asked of Him.” 1 John 5:14, 15

Let us **give thanks in advance** for the things He is going to do.

Praying in the Spirit

“And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints.” Eph. 6:18

This is one of the most important verses in scripture because it reveals how to pray. Prayer is one of the most important things we do in relationship with the Lord. It is a divine weapon that God has given us to impact ourselves and the world around us. It is one of the vehicles by which we have intimacy with God Himself. We not only communicate with God in prayer but ultimately commune with Him.

Commune means to be “**in common with**”, to have like mind and heart.

Paul discussed this in Phil. 2:2

“then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose”.

Paul is talking about intimacy with one another. To pray in the Spirit, one must be communing with God and be **in alignment with His thoughts, one in spirit and purpose.**

What is God asking you to pray about?

Praying is strategic to being in union with Him, one with Him. This is the key place where we meet God. He will inspire, encourage, direct and empower us. He will not fail us. We must enter into prayer with a long term view of never giving up on the Lord answering our prayers. Too often, we spend most of our praying time asking for our needs and wants. This prayer process will help us to be in God’s presence, praying His will and purposes. He wants everything for us and around us, that will draw us closer to Him and His will for the sake of all eternity.

We desire that He would empower a breakout of being **Saturated with the Presence of God (SPG)** in us and to the lost in our church and city. We desire that the Spirit of God would manifest Himself like He did in the Great Awakening in America in the 1700-1800’s; where at least a million were dramatically impacted. We desire to unleash an army of Prayer Warriors who will pray God’s will into us and our community.

We desire to provide a tool to equip Prayer Warriors for effectual prayer. We desire to foster a Concert of Prayer; people praying for Revival (the Saturation of the Presence of God) continuously and in unison. We hope that this initiative breaks into 24/7 prayer going on for years and that we would come together as one body, praying these things.



Let’s unleash this weapon of God in our lives, families, churches and city. We are asking you to engage by faith that God will transform your lives and churches; that 1,000’s will come to Christ. As a result of being a part of this Prayer Concert, you will experience His mighty and irresistible Presence more than ever before. If you choose this by faith, He will manifest Himself and foster Revival: being Saturated with His Divine Presence.

We are asking you to commit and engage in prayer for a length of time: perhaps 3-6 months, eventually 2 years.

We recommend you pray in 1 hr. segments for as many segments as you desire per week. You will find your prayers are answered in greater numbers than ever before, because we are honoring and glorifying God by building His Kingdom.

Included is a Prayer Model that you may choose to follow. Not following it is fine, but we ask you to pray the prayers written in this Concert of Prayer, so that we become a symphony to the Lord!

“Then Jesus said to His disciples, the harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask for the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest field.” Matt. 9:37,38

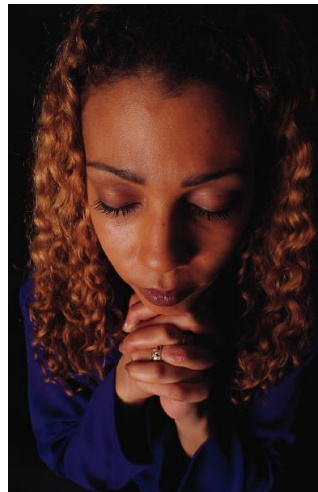
As we see in this verse, the Lord knows that the harvest is plentiful, and the workers are few. He desires us to come and ask, continuing to ask the Lord of the harvest to send out workers. He is telling us that He will send them out if that is our hearts desire. He will come to answer our prayers in the proportion to which we are asking and yearning for Him to hear them.

“What we really lack is a passion to call upon the Lord until He opens the heavens and shows Himself powerful.”
Jim Cymbala

“The great people of the earth today are the people who pray.”
S. D. Gordon

Consider these thoughts:

- Through prayer, we can travel farther than the stars, far beyond anything we can see and into God’s theatre of operations.
- Prayer is strategic to Revival. The spread of evangelism parallels the spread of prayer.
- God is looking for strategic players to enter the prayer arena to help change the course of history.
- Prayer is our access to God and completes the circuit of God’s action in the world.



Prayers - 4. Listening Prayer

Most often, when we pray, we are busy doing the thinking and the talking. We are to pray “in the Spirit on all occasions”, so praying scripture and praying the will of God is consistent. The Lord desires to reveal things to us, giving us thoughts we are to pray, apply personally or do. We advocate that God wants to reveal to you His personal will, purposes and love for daily life. He also desires to heal our hearts of wounds & sin patterns. He desires to do this for us while we are alone with Him, worshipping. If we are talking and thinking, we are not listening. He is going to reveal, not just things to you, but also how to pray and what to pray. It can be regarding you or those for whom you are interceding. You must rest before Him and focus on the name of Jesus. You are going to experience lots of “noise” in your mind...just continue to stay focused on Jesus. Don’t allow yourself to be distracted. Listen for messages that He has for you, record godly thoughts, scripture verses that come to you. You may even be stimulated by asking God a question or telling Him a problem. Remember that whatever is revealed by God will be consistent with scripture. Enjoy this time in silence and union with God.



- That we would see supernatural transformation taking place in the people, churches and our city – just as in Acts
- That His power would be exhibited as He desires and is recognized by the world as God
- That we see deep repentance and transformation in people’s lives
- That we see & experience the beauty of united hearts within the Church and between Churches
- That we would seek to love the Lord with all of our hearts, at all cost and so glorify Him
- That each church would consider itself a “House of Prayer”, with 50% of its people praying this Concert of Prayer.
- That God would transform our City Foundation from greed & lawlessness to a New Foundation of:
 1. Cooperation, serving, & protection
 2. Prevailing truth is revealed & stood upon, keeping nothing hidden
 3. Life giving to family, neighbors, & mercy toward foreigners
 4. Pure hearts given to God
 5. Considerate, with justice
 6. Generosity
- That the church would overflow with the works of the Holy Spirit, miraculously transforming lives
- That we would see divorce & cohabitation end
- That we would see prosperity in the heart that all other areas of life would thrive
- That marriages would become great in God’s eyes

- Prayer makes your Christian life supernatural, just as in the Book of Acts
- God gets His work done as we humbly submit ourselves and cry out in prayer.
- Praying in His name, means praying with His total power.
- The prayer of a righteous man is praying God’s will into action.

Unfortunately, the opposite is true here as well. Prayerlessness short circuits the working of God because we communicate to Him that we don’t need Him. The way you regard prayer may be the way you regard God. Too often, prayer is viewed as a duty or badge of spiritual accomplishment vs. one of the strategic ways He unleashes His will and power – He is waiting for you and I to engage.

Prayer has been strategic throughout history in the Revivals that God has fostered. 1or 2 prayer intercessors, who follow the burden of their hearts and request the intervention of God, will foster prayer warriors and this will foster a prayer movement...that may bear the fruit of Revival. (The Moravians)

In our Concert of Prayer, not only do we desire to have 24/7 prayer, but we agree in our prayers on what Jesus said:

“Again, I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything you ask for, it will be done for you by My Father in heaven. For where 2 or 3 come together in my name, there am I with them.”
Matt. 18:19,20

Therefore, we will have prayer closets, prayer groups, prayer services, and citywide prayer celebrations. We are implementing one of God’s divine weapons for ourselves, our churches and our city. He encourages us:

“Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful” Col. 4:2

“With all prayer and supplication, pray at all times in the Spirit.”
Eph. 6:18

Remember, prayer is not just communion with God, but union with God. The first thing is to get to God and then allow God to get to you. It is pouring our lives, thoughts, & longings into God and receiving the power, character, mind, heart and authority of Christ Jesus. He desires to invade you, take possession and then pours out His very prayer through you. **Prayer is spiritual power flowing from our union with God.**

We pray that you feel pulled by God to engage in this Concert of Prayer. We hope that all Prayer Warriors will send what they see God doing in this Movement to their leaders.

“When all is said and done; more is said than done when it comes to prayer.” Dick Eastman

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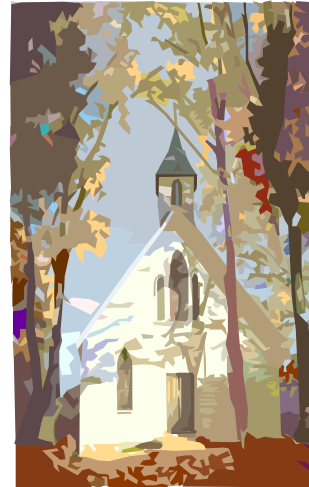
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Prayers - 3. Concert of Prayer for HT

Prayers for Your Community & Area

May we exhibit godliness to the full, in us and through us.



Therefore, we pray that You would open the doors for this message of the Gospel; that we would love You wholeheartedly and that people would be drawn:

-That the churches in this area would become Saturated with Your Presence

-That at least 1,000 pastors in your area would be “on fire for God” because they are Saturated with God’s divine presence and are thus consumed with His purposes & engaging His power in their ministries

-That existing Christians would become Saturated with the Presence of God and be consumed with sharing His love and purposes with others

-That millions of new believers fall in love with and follow Jesus with a burning desire to be saturated by Him

- That oneness in You Lord, and oneness in our church be realized and fulfilled

-That we have hearts yearning only for You, everyday

-That we be saturated with Your divine Presence

-That we would repent of sin and live for Your Kingdom in all we do

-Lord, multiply SPG/Revival in every Church

-Transform hearts to live for Your Kingdom in the Image of Jesus; that the world would see You

-Transform every Community

- May there be 10’s of millions of new believers in 20 years

- That You would help us to fulfill Your desire to live holy, blameless, and pure lives, not out of human effort and perfection but by continually walking in the Spirit
- That we would demonstrate our transformation by lovingly serving our family, church, & community

Add your scriptural prayers:

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And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise him up. If he has sinned, he will be forgiven. Therefore, confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective. Elijah was a man just like us. He prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for 3 ½ years. Again he prayed, and the heavens gave rain, and the earth produces it's crops." James 5:15, 16

One of the conclusions that we draw from this verse is that our **prayers are to be powerful and effectual**, like Elijah's. As a result of being a righteous person, your prayers can be answered just as dramatically as Elijah's. Scripture gives us a model for effectual prayer:

"Therefore, I exhort you first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions and giving thanks be made for all men, for kings, and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceful life in all godliness and reverence. 1 Tim. 2:1

We also know that God desires us to:

"Pray in the Spirit on all occasions." Eph. 6:18

The goal of the Concert of Prayer is that we experience Revival in us, our church and our city. We would define **Revival** as being **Saturated with the Presence of God (SPG)**. Saturated means being full of the Spirit: pure, blameless, holy; and exhibiting godliness in all of our lives. When Saturated with His Divine Presence, we are different in the world, people are attracted and many will come to Jesus as a result of our lives and the power of the Holy Spirit drawing them. When we are in His presence and one with Him, He will reveal His heart to us so we can powerfully pray what He wants prayed. We know we can pray in scripture what He has already given us as His will and desires.

King David gives us understanding about praying because many of his Psalms are prayers. Remember David was the only man honored by God as "a man after God's own heart".

To have effectual prayer, it requires seeking God's own heart; an attitude that it is all about Him, not me. It's about His Kingdom and His will being done. It's about our relationship with the Lord, intimacy with Him, of being one with Him. Having a deep love for God and communing with Him, opens the door to effectual prayer as He cares for His child. Let's begin this prayer time by putting ourselves in His presence and entreating Him to come and manifest Himself.

Saturated with the Presence of God (SPG)

Saturated with His Divine Presence

God is calling us to a daily life of being full of His Presence, saturated, dripping, full of Him including overflowing. This means that we are so full of our God that we are full of His purposes, full of the Holy Spirit and thus full of His power, grace, faith, wisdom and love. As a result, we will exhibit His godliness to the full in us & through us.

PRAYER PROCESS: 1 Tim. 2:1

A. Make Supplication

1. Entreating the Lord
2. Thanks be to God for what He has done
3. Praise/Adore Him
4. Listening to what God wants us to pray



B. Prayers

1. Forgiveness
2. Praying Scripture
3. Concert of Prayer
4. Listening

C. Intercessory Prayer

- o Personal Prayer

D. Thanks be to God for what He will do

- That we would be full of good deeds and godliness
- That we would powerfully proclaim the Good News
- That we live humble lives before God
- That we crave God's Presence
- That we live out Your love and love others as You have loved us
- That we would love You Lord with all our heart, mind, soul and strength
- That our daily lives would be full of passion and purpose for Your Kingdom
- That we have one hope in us for the return of Jesus
- That we live daily for Your Kingdom and Your glory
- That we love one another deeply, not out of obligation but in unconditional love
- That the divorced and unwed mothers would be built up, served & cared for
- That the poor and downtrodden be served, developed and made strong in You
- That widows and single parents would be covered & cared for to fulfill their purpose in You
- That orphans would be shepherded and blessed
- That we live lives of mercy and peace
- That we make choices that leave margin in our lives to listen, obey and follow You
- That You would give strength to the persecuted, and multiply Your work, and free them according to Your will
- That we would bear Kingdom fruit: 30, 60, 100x's more
- That harvesters for the Kingdom be raised up in my community, including me.



You are now before God. He desires to hear your prayers and intercessions. Bow before Him.

Prayers - 2. Praying Scripture

Your kingdom come and Your will be done!



We pray that we would be transformed into fulfilling what God intends us to be: the Body of Christ being holy, blameless and pure, full of the Spirit and overflowing with the Fruit of the Spirit, exhibiting the fullness of God within us!

- By the power of God, we would exhibit the Fruit of the Spirit most of the time:
 - having a joy & peace that passes all understanding, no matter my circumstance
 - having a love for God that is full of affection & passion for His presence
 - having a faith that moves mountains & heals my broken heart as well as others
 - having a patience that is long suffering & steadfast without selfish agenda
 - having a meekness/humility and mildness that cares for God's people naturally
 - having a goodness that comes from an upright heart
 - having a gentleness from moral goodness and integrity
 - having self-control [being without excessiveness in thought, action or feeling]
- We would experience every spiritual blessing.

A. Make Supplications

In 1 Tim. 2:1, our Lord exhorted us to first of all make supplications. Supplication means to make **petition**, and to **call**, to **ask**, to **plead**, and **welcome Him** to come and hear, listen, and answer His child – you. Making supplications will include Entreating Him, Thanking Him for what He has done & is already doing, Praise & Adoring Him for Who He Is, and Listening to what He is saying to us. Here are some verses that reinforce this idea from David's hand, our most prolific prayer model.

Supplication - 1. Entreating Him

Ps 4:3 Know that the Lord has set apart the godly for himself; the Lord will hear when I call to him.

Ps 5:2, 3 Listen to my cry for help, my King and my God, for to you I pray. In the morning, O Lord, you hear my voice; in the morning I lay my requests before you and wait in expectation.

Ps 17:1 Hear, O Lord, my righteous plea; listen to my cry. Give ear to my prayer — it does not rise from deceitful lips.

Ps 27:7 Hear my voice when I call, O Lord; be merciful to me and answer me.

Ps 28:1, 2 To you I call, O Lord my Rock; do not turn a deaf ear to me. For if you remain silent, I will be like those who have gone down to the pit. Hear my cry for mercy as I call to you for help, as I lift up my hands toward your Most Holy Place.

Psalms 30:1-3 I will exalt you, O Lord, for you lifted me out of the depths and did not let my enemies gloat over me. O Lord my God, I called to you for help and you healed me. O Lord, you brought me up from the grave; you spared me from going down into the pit.

Ps 55:2 hear me and answer me. My thoughts trouble me and I am distraught

Ps 55:16 But I call to God, and the Lord saves me.

Ps 69:16 Answer me, O Lord, out of the goodness of your love; in your great mercy turn to me.

Ps.86:1,3 Hear, O Lord, and answer me, for I am poor and needy...Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I call to You all day long. You are forgiving and good, O Lord, abounding in love to all who call on You.

Ps 86:6 Hear my prayers, O Lord; listen to my cry for mercy.

Please

Ps. 88:1,2 O Lord, the God Who saves me, day and night I cry out before You. May my prayer come before You; turn Your ear to my cry.

Ps 86:1, 3 Hear, O Lord, and answer me, for I am poor and needy... 3 Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I call to you all day long. You are forgiving and good, O Lord, abounding in love to all who call to you.

Ps 86:6 Hear my prayer, O Lord; listen to my cry for mercy.

Ps 119:145 I call with all my heart; answer me, O Lord, and I will obey your decrees.

Ps 141:1 O Lord, I call to you; come quickly to me. Hear my voice when I call to you.

Ps 143:7 Answer me quickly, O Lord; my spirit fails. Do not hide your face from me or I will be like those who go down to the pit.

Ps 145:18 The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

2 Tim 2:22 Flee the evil desires of youth, and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, along with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.



Take careful notice of your patterned sin and repent! (Repent means a commitment to “turn away”.)

Forgiving others:

Now consider forgiving anyone who has sinned against you.

“If you forgive anyone his sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven.” John 20:23

Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. Col 3:13

List those you are forgiving and for what you forgive them:

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Matthew 5:8

As you have sought forgiveness and have forgiven, the Lord has given you a pure heart. You now can move into the presence of God and He hears your prayers. Remember:

*“The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective”
James 5:16*



Thank you, Lord for dying on the cross for me, paying for and forgiving my sins.

- For not loving one another
- For living our spiritual life with our lips and not our hearts and lives
- For not seeking You with all of our heart
- For our self-indulgence
- Forgive our nation for not staying with our spiritual roots
- For Corruption
- For Co-habitation
- For Divorce

Have mercy on us!

Personal Forgiveness:

How can we think that the Lord will hear our prayers if we regard sin in our hearts?

If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear. Ps 66:18

If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and His word has no place in our lives. 1 John 1:10

We must seek sincere forgiveness not just give a casual apology. God hates sin. If we harbor sin, it will hinder His work in us, including hearing and answering our prayers. Stop right now and consider:

*Test me, O Lord, and try me, examine my heart and my mind
Psalm 26:2*

Rest before Him now and confess your sins! Record your sins and seek forgiveness. _____

*Remember: "No one who lives in Him keeps on sinning.
No one who continues to sin has either seen Him or known Him."
1 John 3:6*

Supplication – 2. Thanks Be to God for What He Has Done

We often find David’s prayers are “conversational” between he and God. One thing he declares is thanks to God, but not in a general way. He gives thanks for rescuing him, protecting him, saving him, delivering him and many other things. We often pray without carefully observing whether God has answered our prayers. To have this intimate relationship, it means that you are giving thanks for not only being saved, but how God has worked in you and what He has done for you & through you. Here are some verses that reflect this thankfulness idea. You will find in 2 Cor. 4:15 that thanksgiving is to overflow to the glory of God. May that resound from your heart. **At the end of these verses, please stop and give the Lord thanks for what He has done and is doing in your life, be specific.** Have a great time honoring the Lord.



Ps 107 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever...6 Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress. 7 He led them by a straight way to a city where they could settle. 8 Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for men, 9 for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things...

13 Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he saved them from their distress. 14 He brought them out of darkness and the deepest gloom and broke away their chains. 15 Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for men, 16 for he breaks down gates of bronze and cuts through bars of iron...

19 Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he saved them from their distress. 20 He sent forth his word and healed them; he rescued them from the grave. 21 Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for men. 22 Let them sacrifice thank offerings and tell of his works with songs of joy...

28 Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble, and he brought them out of their distress. 29 He stilled the storm to a whisper; the waves of the sea were hushed. 30 They were glad when it grew calm, and he guided them to their desired haven. 31 Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for men.

32 Let them exalt him in the assembly of the people and praise him in the council of the elders.

Psalms 118 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever...

4 Let those who fear the Lord say: "His love endures forever..."

19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter and give thanks to the Lord. 20 This is the gate of the Lord through which the righteous may enter. 21 I will give you thanks, for you answered me ; you have become my salvation...

28 You are my God, and I will give you thanks; you are my God, and I will exalt you. 29 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.

Isa 12:4 In that day you will say: "Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done, and proclaim that his name is exalted.

1 Cor 10:16 Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ?

1 Cor 15:57 But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

2 Cor 4:15 All this is for your benefit, so that the grace that is reaching more and more people may cause thanksgiving to overflow to the glory of God.

Phil 4:6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving , present your requests to God.

2 Cor 9:12 This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of God's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God.

We have so much to give thanks for: salvation, redemption, atonement, health, life, friends, family, protection, deliverance, freedom to worship. Thank you for being my Father, God, Savior and Helper! Add personal things the Lord is doing in your life.

THANK HIM!

Prayers – 1. Forgiveness

"This, then, is how you should pray:

*"Our Father in heaven,
Hallowed by Your name,
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.*

*Forgive us our debts,
As we also have forgiven our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from the evil one." Matt. 6:9-13*



Oh, most merciful Father, forgive us for we have sinned.

Forgive us Lord...our nation, city, church and myself:

- For how we have neglected You and not thirsted and hungered for You
- For not standing up for our faith and holding firm
- For not loving You the way You have loved us
- For our loving the world and allowing it to take Your place
- Forgive us Lord for embarrassing You because we exhibit so little of Your power, grace, peace and love
- For our lusts, envying, pride; living as though we don't need You
- For our lack of trust in You and not relying on You and Your power
- For our grieving and quenching the Holy Spirit because of our disobedience
- For our apathy and complacency
- For not loving and living the truth

REFLECTIONS: Transformation should be taking place in you as you are seeking Him. You must engage to be cleansed & filled.

When you pray, do you seek a pure heart before entering prayer?

How would you change how you prepare to have effectual prayer and praying in the Spirit?

Is your heart prepared and longing to be in His Presence? _____

God is awesome & wonderful. How must your attitude about prayer change?

Are you praying about God's purposes and His direction?

What is your plan to have effectual prayer in your life?

Are you ready to make a commitment? _____

What does that commitment look like? _____

Supplication – 3. Praise/Adore Him

When we have love for someone, isn't it easy to praise them, adore them and honor them; telling them what they mean in our lives? That is true with the Lord as well. But, it shouldn't come from empty, memorized words but rather from your relationship with Him. Our Lord is magnificent, awesome, and personal. David does this wonderfully in Psalm 86:

"I am devoted to You... You are my God... You are forgiving and good, abounding in love to all who call to You...no deeds can compare with Yours...all the nations You have made will come and worship before You...they will bring glory to Your name...You are great and do marvelous deeds...You alone are God...for great is Your love toward me."



These are not empty words from David. They intensely walked together daily. We must understand that praise is an overwhelming principle in David's Psalms. Praise for God is mentioned more than 340 times in scripture. David's praise is personal, coming from the depths of his heart. As you consider the following verses, make it personal. At the end, praise Him beyond the verses you have seen.

Psalms 148 Praise the Lord. Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the heights above. 2 Praise Him, all His angels, praise Him, all His heavenly hosts. 3 Praise Him, sun and moon, praise Him, all you shining stars. 4 Praise Him, you highest heavens and you waters above the skies. 5 Let them praise the Name of the Lord, for He commanded and they were created. 6 He set them in place forever and ever; He gave a decree that will never pass away. 7 Praise the Lord from the earth, you great sea creatures and all ocean depths, 8 lightning and hail, snow and clouds, stormy winds that do His bidding, 9 you mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars, 10 wild animals and all cattle, small creatures and flying birds, 11 kings of the earth and all nations, you princes and all rulers on earth, 12 young men and maidens, old men and children. 13 Let them praise the Name of the Lord, for His name alone is exalted; His splendor is above the earth and the heavens. 14 He has raised up for His people a horn, the praise of all His saints, of Israel, the people close to His heart. Praise the Lord.

Psalms 150 Praise the Lord. Praise God in His sanctuary; praise Him in His mighty heavens. 2 Praise Him for His acts of power; praise Him for His surpassing greatness. 3 Praise Him with the sounding of the trumpet, praise Him with the harp and lyre, 4 praise Him with tambourine and dancing, praise Him with the strings and flute,

Ex 15:2 The Lord is my strength and my song; He has become my salvation. He is my God, and I will praise Him, my father's God, and I will exalt Him.

Ps 34:3 Glorify the Lord with me; let us exalt His name together.

Ps 99:5, 9 Exalt the Lord our God and worship at His footstool; He is holy... 9 Exalt the Lord our God and worship at His holy mountain, for the Lord our God is holy.

Ps 107:32 Let them exalt Him in the assembly of the people and praise Him in the council of the elders.

Ps 145:11 I will exalt you, my God the King; I will praise Your Name forever and ever.

Matt 15:8 "These people honor Me with their lips, but their hearts are far from Me.

1 Tim 1:17 Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

PRAISE HIM: Honor and remember God's characteristics

- You are magnificent and mighty, throughout all the ages
- You are light, love and life itself
- You are all powerful, all-knowing, everywhere at all times
- You are eternal, unchanging, and perfect
- You are infinite, 3 in 1, and majestic
- You are merciful, righteous, wrathful and just
- You are gracious, patient, tender and forgiving
- You are faithful and pure
- You are our Creator and Sovereign
- You are the Good Shepherd
- You are peace and loving
- You are holy
- You are full of glory
- You personally shepherd me
- You demand real relationship, thank you
- You are my hope of heaven

EFFECTUAL PRAYER

To have effectual prayer, you must be "in the Spirit", **in Him**. As a result of being in Him and thus communing, your heart and mind are transformed to be like His.

What happens if I pray and I am not "in the Spirit"? We are praying our will, our thoughts, independent of God. He is telling us that to have effectual prayer; we cannot pray independent of Him. He wants us to pray this way on all occasions, with all kinds of prayers, and especially for other believers, the saints.

Let's look at the context of praying in the Spirit. It is putting on God's armor. Because the enemy is going to oppose us, hammer on us... we must remember in John 10:10, it speaks about satan's intention: to steal, kill & destroy. To live the life God desires, we will have on-going victory if we put on all the armor of God. The enemy can't penetrate this armor that covers the whole body. This armor, full of God's power, not only defends us (individually and our initiatives), but we can do battle offensively: the sword of the Spirit (Word of God) and praying in the Spirit. It is when we are wearing the armor of God and full of His Spirit that we are more than conquerors to defeat the enemy. (Rom. 8:37) The enemy will give you set backs in direct proportion if you don't have the full armor of God on. If you have God's full armor on, you are in the Spirit! Therefore, you can pray in the Spirit with God's thoughts, direction, and purpose, thus empowering God's army to carry your prayers to heaven.

Eph. 6:10 Our struggle is not against flesh and blood but against the evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against the mighty powers in this dark world, and against the evil spirits in the heavenly places.

The diagram is to help us understand the principles of effectual prayer. Immediately, this means that one must be "in the Spirit", "in Him". The goal of the diagram is to move into the Presence of God (triangle), but it won't happen just because we want it. His Presence is pure and holy; He desires that we gain a pure heart. Whether sin, woundedness, distractions, or anything else - these must be purified, hopefully healed. Then, you will meet with God and have effectual prayer. Carefully study this diagram to hear what God is saying and to gain His help. **Finally:** **when aligned with Him, you can count on His favor, not just answers to your requests.**

EFFECTUAL PRAYER

Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much. James 5:16

1. **Confess Your Trespasses to One Another**". Confess here means to acknowledge and agree fully with God regarding your sins. You are to speak of them with at least one other trusted person; this creates accountability as well as a partnership. As you are willing to confess to another person, you now have a Prayer Partner that is with you.
2. **Pray For One Another that you may be healed.**
You are pouring out to God for this other person: to be forgiven, freed of issues in their life, and to be healed.
3. This effectual prayer includes the **Fervent Person**. One who has passion and will prevail in prayer...one who has "force" and will "overcome" through prayer.

As a result of doing all 3 of these directives; more prayers get answered. If we combine the effectual prayer strategy above (James 5:16) with Praying in the Spirit (Eph. 6:18), you are following the **Lord's Prayer Strategy**.

This is where we get the **Effectual Prayer**. We have already addressed the significance of confessing and praying for one another...now we see the result. There is a difference here between praying and praying effectually.

Now, let us consider Praying in the Spirit.

Supplication – 4. Listening to What He Wants Us to Pray:

Before we launch into praying the things on our mind, we must seek to hear & understand what He wants us to pray about and how to pray it. Prayer is not a monologue to God but a **dialogue with Him!** In silence, ask the Lord what He has to say and focus on it. Ask Him how He would like you to pray. Now, **listen to Him** for you, your family, work, church, community & nation. Record what you hear:

To have effectual prayer, it requires **seeking God's heart**; an attitude that it is **all about Him**, not me. It is about His Kingdom and His will being done. It is about my **relationship with Him**.

You may find at this time, that the Lord desires for you to proceed differently than what is laid out in this booklet.
FOLLOW HIM!!

**IN THE FOLLOWING ILLUSTRATION OF EFFECTUAL PRAYER, one must begin at the bottom of the illustration. This will exhibit the choice you have between the SPIRITUAL PRINCIPLES FOR PREPARATION and the ACTS OF MAN!
Your Choice!!**

EFFECTUAL PRAYER

16 *Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective. James 5:16*

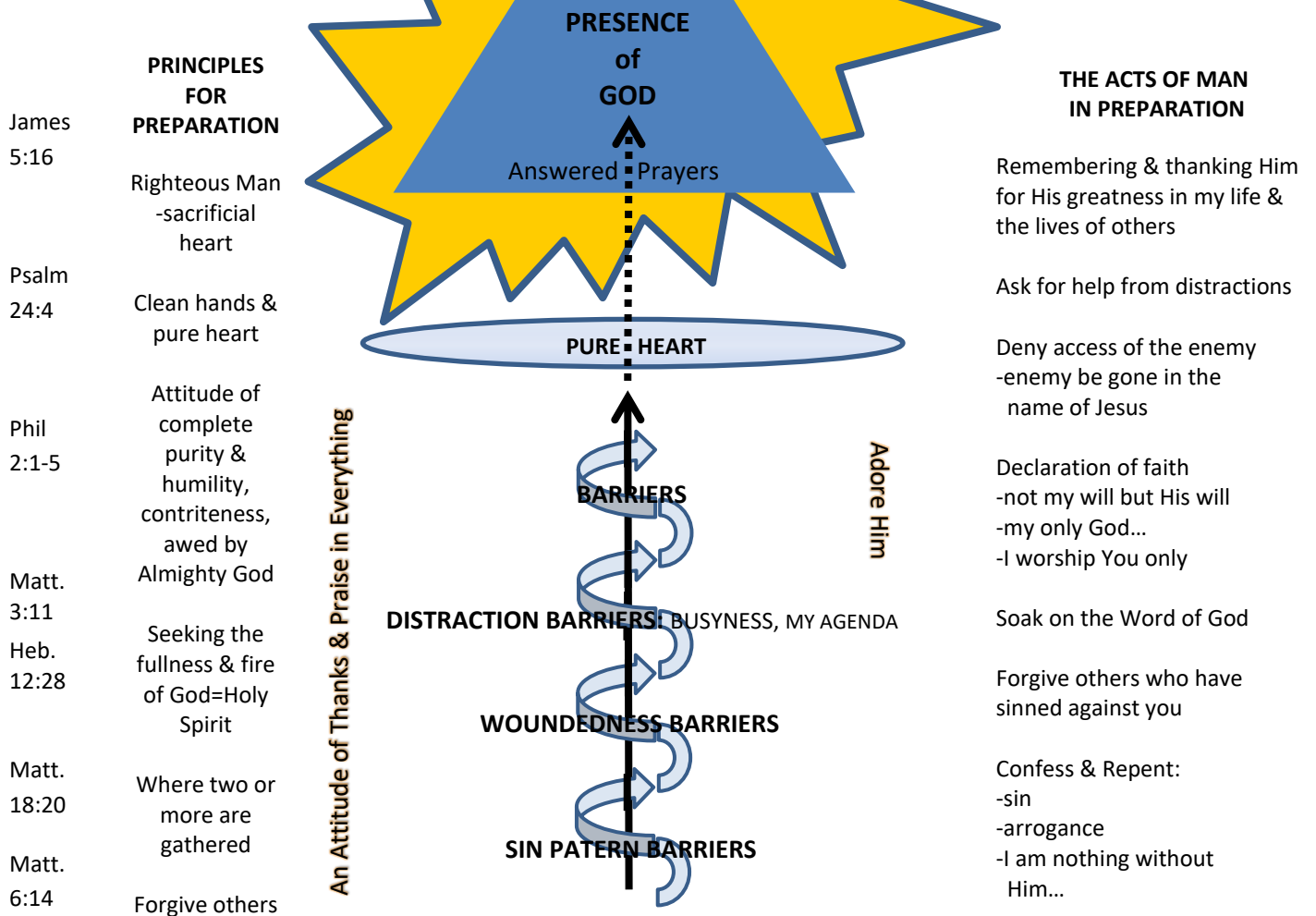
Moving **into** His Presence – PRAYING IN THE SPIRIT

“praying always with all prayer and supplication **in the Spirit...**” Eph. 6:18

Praying what the Spirit tells me to pray
Praying for all the saints

Praying all requests & prayers
Preoccupied about God:
His desires & thoughts

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A contaminated heart can't enter His Presence
- Aaron's preparation
to enter the Holy of Holies (Exodus & Leviticus)