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# Dedication



*To all believers all over the world who are passionate about changing their lives and their world through prayers.*



## Introduction

**N**o one wakes up 100% of the time bursting into prayer, it happens either very occasionally or as a product of a continuous lifestyle of prayer. No matter what the motivation behind it is, we cannot just rely on being supernaturally moved to prayer... **ESPECIALLY WHEN YOU ARE TO WAKE UP FROM SLEEP IN THE MORNING TO PRAY.**

To maintain a consistent prayer lifestyle, you must understand the power in your ability to **SPEAK** and keep **SPEAKING** in tongues **IMMEDIATELY** your prayer alarm ticks off.

Once you wake up, **GET OFF YOUR BED** irrespective of how you feel and just start **SPEAKING** in tongues. The emphasis is on **SPEAKING!**

Don't think the tongues, don't murmur the tongues, **SPEAK** it, **ROAR** it, don't stop, even though it might seem mechanical, keep going until you get into the flow...

You must be deliberate in building up a New Testament prayer routine!

Never forget this: YOUR EDIFICATION IS IN YOUR SPEAKING; for he that SPEAKETH in an unknown tongue edifieth himself and we build up ourselves on our most holy faith PRAYING IN THE HOLY GHOST that's SPEAKING IN TONGUES!

Build Prayer consistency; stir up your spirit man!

In this book, my goal is to shed light on the subject matter of prayer.

Be blessed as you read.

# Prayer; Not Optional

**1** Thessalonians 5:17 says, *“Pray without ceasing.”*

I learnt from a mentor, and thank God I did, that THE BIBLE IS NOT A BOOK OF SUGGESTIONS, ITS A BOOK OF INSTRUCTIONS. It is filled with several instructions on walking in love, forgiveness, studying the word, prayer, how to relate, etc

Speaking of prayer, its instructions in scriptures are very glaring. We are to pray. We must pray. It's a necessity, a constant and not a variable. It's an inseparable and non-negotiable part of our lives as believers.

Replete in the scriptures are verses that lend credence to this truth:

Luke 18:1 *And he spake a parable unto them to this end, that MEN OUGHT ALWAYS TO PRAY, and not to faint.*

1 Peter 4:7 *But the end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and WATCH UNTO PRAYER.*

Colossians 4:2 *CONTINUE IN PRAYER, and watch in the same with thanksgiving...*

Romans 12:12 *Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; CONTINUING INSTANT IN PRAYER..*

1 John 5:14 *And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, IF WE ASK ANY THING according to his will, he heareth us...*

Jude 1:20 *But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, PRAYING IN THE HOLY GHOST.*

These are not suggestions to pray, THEY ARE ACTIVE INSTRUCTIONS TO BE GIVEN TO PRAYER and to despise instructions is to meddle with destruction and regrets.

Prayer is NOT debatable, prayer is NOT negotiable, prayer is NOT an activity left to choice, prayer is NOT subject to our feelings. WE PRAY, PRAY AGAIN and PRAY SOME MORE.

## Prayers & Human Limitations

**R**omans 8:26 *Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.*

Knowing that prayer is an instruction and not a suggestion is of utmost importance to the believer in Christ Jesus. It helps him readjust his mindset and realign his attitude to the very fact that he just has to pray because he is wired for it.

Nevertheless, the issue of human limitations and weaknesses sets in which brings us to the point where we must answer the question: HOW SHOULD WE PRAY?

Weaknesses and limitations are signs of our humanity but the believer is spiritual and not merely human because he's got the spirit of God in him. He is born of the spirit, he walks in the spirit, he lives in the spirit, he is spirit!

When we choose to live as mere men, we are hindered, we become limited. We could become confused on what courses to study, who to marry, where to live, where to work etc.

We tend to be in a fix on what to choose; since we do not know what the result of our decisions could be in the long run.

Limitations could manifest in not being able to change situations, get a sick person healed or raise the dead simply because as humans, we seem not to have such abilities. Well, not if you realize that the spirit at work in us specializes in helping our human weaknesses and limitations.

It's important we understand this so as to be effective and productive in the place of prayer.

Since the spirit helps our human weaknesses and limitations, the best way to say all our prayers is **IN THE SPIRIT, BY THE SPIRIT, and THROUGH THE SPIRIT.**

This simply means we are to pray in unknown tongues!

Ephesians 6:18 *PRAYING ALWAYS WITH ALL PRAYER AND SUPPLICATION IN THE SPIRIT, and watching there unto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints.*

1 Corinthians 14:14 *FOR IF I PRAY IN AN UNKNOWN TONGUE, MY SPIRIT PRAYETH, but my understanding is unfruitful.*

1 Corinthians 14:2 *For HE THAT SPEAKETH IN AN UNKNOWN TONGUE speaketh not unto men, but unto God: for no man understandeth him; howbeit in the spirit he speaketh mysteries.*

When we pray in tongues, not only are we able to pray correctly, we are also renewed and rejuvenated in our spirit man. We feel alive. The more we go, the more energized we become.

It may not always feel that way in the process of speaking, but the end proves that our spirit man is super-duper charged, ready to walk, talk and demonstrate kingship and dominion.

I PRAY IN TONGUES BECAUSE IT'S MY WAY TO PRAY, I COMMIT TO IT, I PRACTICE IT CONSISTENTLY!

What of praying in my understanding as a believer who speaks in tongues?

Stay with me...

## Is Speaking in Tongues Biblical

**B**efore we jump right to seeing the beauty of interpreting tongues as believers, I think we should get more insight into this subject of tongues.

Tongues is one bible subject that SHOULD NOT be controversial in the body of Christ yet it is. It should be well understood by EVERY BELIEVER IN CHRIST because scriptures abound that can be studied to arrive at the truth that tongues is biblical and for the benefit of all believers.

Tongues as an act of God yet to come had a mention in the Old Testament by Isaiah:

Isaiah 28:11 *For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people.*

Jesus talked of tongues as a sign among other signs freely given to anyone who has believed or will believe the gospel:

Mark 16:17 *And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues...*

The book of Acts, as a narrative, houses records, accounts and witnesses of tongues and people who spoke with tongues:

Acts 2:3 *And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.*

In the Epistles, Paul a major new covenant spokesperson spoke with tongues very plenty and even thanked God for the ability.

1 Corinthians 14:18 *I thank my God, I speak with tongues more than ye all:*

THEREFORE, the subject of tongues isn't abstract; it's biblical, can be studied and SHOULD be studied! IT'S AMAZING ADVANTAGE TO US AS BELIEVERS IS MIND BLOWING.

Stay with me as we keep journeying in understanding this subject clearly!

## What Qualifies me to Speak In Tongues?

**C**an you imagine that some people still believe that the ability to speak with unknown tongues is an exclusive reserve for ‘the high and mighty believers’?

High and mighty? What does that even mean?

It sounds crazy right? Probably because you know better, but it's a fact that some people till date uphold such lies.

Let's debunk this fatal lie with scriptural truth!

The ability to speak with tongues is an **EXCLUSIVE RIGHT FOR ALL BELIEVERS!** Emphasis is on "ALL BELIEVERS"

1. Mark 16:17 *AND THESE SIGNS SHALL FOLLOW THEM THAT BELIEVE; in my name shall they cast out devils; THEY shall speak with new tongues;*

2. Acts 2:4 *AND THEY WERE ALL FILLED WITH THE HOLY GHOST, AND BEGAN TO SPEAK WITH OTHER TONGUES, as the Spirit gave them utterance.*

Who were the "they" in Acts 2:4? Those who were followers or disciples of Jesus. How can we be sure?

Acts 1:15 *And in those days Peter stood up in the midst of the disciples, and said, (the number of names together were about an hundred and twenty,)*

3. Acts 10:46 *For THEY HEARD THEM SPEAK WITH Tongues, and magnify God. Then answered Peter...*

Who are the "they" that spoke in tongues in the passage above? Believers! How can we be sure? Acts 10:44-45 clears that up!

Acts 10:44 *While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word. And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the Gentiles (who believed) also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost.*

So we can see that what qualifies all to speak with tongues is accepting Jesus by putting faith in the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross. If you are born again YOU ARE QUALIFIED TO SPEAK WITH UNKNOWN TONGUES because Jesus has qualified you by your faith in his once and for all sacrifice on the cross!

Hallelujah!

Spread the news, get baptized in the HOLY GHOST and help others get baptized too. Being born again is the qualification. Simple!!!

## What if No One Understands My Tongues?

**W**e've cleared a major wrong mindset about tongues being for a select few and not for all believers.

We have also seen that the claim is unfounded in the scriptures and how ALL BELIEVERS are entitled to speak with tongues because of their faith in the sacrifice of Jesus!

At this point, let's consider yet another unfounded claim that has hindered a lot of believers from tapping into the beauty and power of tongues and all it stands to help us achieve in the New Testament.

The question is, MUST I OR ANY OTHER PERSON FOR THAT MATTER UNDERSTAND WHAT AM SAYING when am praying in tongues?

The answer is No!

*“But Acts 2 says different nations heard their language spoken?”*

REALLY? Read CAREFULLY!

*Acts 2:5 And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven. Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own language. And they were all amazed and marveled, saying one to another, Behold, are not all these which speak Galilaeans? And how hear we every man in our own tongue, wherein we were born?*

ALL who heard them speaking in tongues were JEWS who were resident in other nations but came back for the feast of Pentecost. They couldn't have understood tongues except there was an interpretation BECAUSE TONGUES CANNOT BE UNDERSTOOD WITHOUT THE GIFT OF INTERPRETATION OF TONGUES!

*Isaiah 28:11 For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people.*

Stammering lips and another tongue speaks of a language that cannot be understood.

*Mark 16:17 And these signs shall follow them that believe; in my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues...*

*New tongues* here means a brand new, different kind of language yet to spoken by anyone.

*Acts 2:4 And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.*

Other tongues here means another form of communication.

1 Corinthians 14:2 *For he that speaketh in an unknown tongue speaketh not unto men, but unto God: for no man understandeth him; howbeit in the spirit he speaketh mysteries.*

NO MAN UNDERSTANDS TONGUES, THEREFORE WHEN YOU PRAY IN TONGUES YOU ARE SPEAKING TO YOUR HEAVENLY FATHER AND HIM ALONE UNDERSTANDS!!!

## Tongues, a Supernatural Language

**J**ust to dig in a little bit further on what we've been talking about, you must understand that no account in the entire Bible ever refers to tongues as someone else's language; so stop propagating that falsehood!

Tongues are addressed to God and never men; therefore there is no need for the hearer to understand because it's not addressed to man.

When we speak in tongues we speak forth spiritual mysteries that only God can understand and respond to.

1 Corinthians 14:2 *For he that speaketh in an unknown tongue speaketh not unto men, but unto God: for no man understandeth him; howbeit in the spirit he speaketh mysteries.*

The only way tongues can be understood by the hearer is through the gift of interpretation of tongues.

1 Corinthians 14:5 *I would that ye all spake with tongues, but rather that*

*ye prophesied: for greater is he that prophesieth than he that speaketh with tongues, except he interpret, that the church may receive edifying.*

1 Corinthians 14:13-15 *Wherefore let him that speaketh in an unknown tongue pray that he may interpret. For if I pray in an unknown tongue, my spirit prayeth, but my understanding is unfruitful. What is it then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also: I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also.*

TONGUES + INTERPRETATION OF TONGUES= PROPHECY and interpretation of tongues is to know by the spirit and express what was said in tongues in the language of the listener.

Tongues is foreign to man, known to God but made known to man through interpretation. Therefore, don't be moved when people complain you speak what they don't understand, YOU ARE SPEAKING TO GOD AND NOT THEM, BE GLAD YOU ARE COMMUNICATING DIVINE SECRETS TO GOD!

The sound of tongues sound like outright nonsense to the hearing of man but prophecy through interpretation of tongues gives man understanding.

## The Power of Interpreted Tongues

**W**e've established that TONGUES + INTERPRETATION OF TONGUES = PROPHECY and interpretation of tongues is to know by the spirit and express what was said in tongues in the language of the listener.

Therefore, if we pray in tongues and interpret we have prophesied. Notice how Paul interchanges the use of these words, 'prophesied' and 'interprets'.

1 Corinthians 14:5 *I would that ye all spake with tongues, but rather that ye prophesied: for greater is he that prophesieth than he that speaketh with tongues, except he interpret, that the church may receive edifying.*

Let it sink deep down and settle in your heart that any believer can flow in this gift. Paul teaches that he that prays in tongues should pray to interpret, that is to PRAY IN ORDER TO INTERPRET and not to pray for the ability to interpret.

It then means that the ability to interpret is in us already and we should position our hearts and allow ourselves to flow in it by the spirit.

We can hardly find anywhere in the *Book of Acts* where believers spoke in tongues and didn't interpret it.

*Acts 2:11 Cretes and Arabians, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God.*

*Acts 10:46 For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God.*

*Acts 19:6 And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues, and prophesied.*

So what's the essence of interpreting tongues, why is it even necessary in a believer's meeting?

*1 Corinthians 14:5 I would that ye all spake with tongues, but rather that ye prophesied: for greater is he that prophesieth than he that speaketh with tongues, except he interpret, that the church may receive edifying.*

WHEN TONGUES ARE INTERPRETED, THE CHURCH IS EDIFIED. Tongues alone cannot be a blessing to the church except the interpretation is given!

An individual can however enjoy the blessings of tongues in personal prayer with or without interpretation.

Let's explore deeper!

## Flowing in Interpretation of Tongues

**H**ow does interpretation of tongues really work? How can I flow in it? Is it translation of tongues? How do I know am already doing it?

Fundamental to be committed to memory is the fact that INTERPRETATION OF TONGUES like the name implies is INTERPRETATION and not TRANSLATION.

This means that you don't expect to have every single syllable you pray in tongues to have a meaning on its own so that when they are all put together, you have a sensible sentence.

NO, THAT IS NOT IT!

Praying in tongues is communication with the spirit while interpretation of tongues is simply delivering the content of the discussion in an understandable language of your listener(s).

This explains why it's possible for a believer to pray for 30minutes or more and the INTERPRETATION could just be 3 sentences and other times you pray for 5minutes or less and the INTERPRETATION could fill up pages.

I remember praying for a congregation I ministered to and after praying in tongues for about three minutes I felt a free flow of interpretation for more that fifteen minutes. Words I never ever planned to say were rushing into my mind and out of my mouth as words of knowledge, direction, edification and blessings!

Have you observed that words rush through your spirit whenever you are focused praying in tongues?

These are the interpretation of your tongues in bits. It's as though some words stand out amongst other words.

Next you start getting better grammatical placement for those words, better understanding, fuller comprehension and ultimately statements and sentences that pass across a comprehensible message to you and your listener(s).

Your part is to speak out those words rushing through your spirit, the more you speak them, the clearer it becomes and when it seems like there's a pause in the flow of words, pray some more in tongues for clarity and keep SPEAKING until the message is delivered.

There you have it... TONGUES AND INTERPRETATION OF TONGUES!

I remember praying with my wife one evening and I heard a name. In a pool of names it simply stood out for me. I didn't know what it was for

but I kept praying in tongues and then I heard, “he is a good guy.” Immediately, I told my wife what I heard and asked her like it was impressed on my heart to know if there’s such a person bearing the name I heard in her work place.

It so happened that the person applied for a job with her organization and even though there were better qualified candidates than him, there seemed to be something about him they observed. Well, a total stranger like me by the spirit of God had access to something I never knew was going on. Don’t you think it’s a confirmation to them already? And yes the guy got the job against all odds and without any human favoritism.

It came by tongues and interpretation guys!

We have amazing resources yet untapped residing inside us as believers.

Take out time, PRAY IN TONGUES AND INTERPRET. I didn't say you should TRY or STRUGGLE to interpret, JUST GO AHEAD AND INTERPRET BY THE HELP OF THE SPIRIT! LET THOSE WORDS RUSHING INTO YOUR SPIRIT THAT YOU DID NOT PRE-THINK AS YOU ARE PRAYING OUT.

Keep practicing; we get better in the things of the spirit with practice!

## Edification; Not Condemnation!

**1** Corinthians 14:15 *What is it then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also: I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also.*

In interpreting tongues, your part is to speak out those words rushing through your spirit, the more you speak them, the clearer it becomes and when it seems like there's a pause in the flow of words, pray some more in tongues for clarity and keep SPEAKING until the message is delivered.

Sometimes when you first open your mouth, you may not know exactly what to say; don't let your mind get involved. Don't!

The same way you don't think about tongues when you speak them, don't try to think this out. Just allow the word flow with the first word or phrase in your spirit.

These words can come as simple comforting words of edification and it in turn becomes prophecy! At other times it may contain facts and

knowledge formerly unknown to you (word of knowledge) or it will speak of the future (word of wisdom).

1 Corinthians 14:26 *How is it then, brethren? When ye come together, every one of you hath a psalm, hath a doctrine, hath a tongue, hath a revelation, hath an interpretation. Let all things be done unto edifying.*

The end product of every interpretation MUST BE EDIFICATION and NOT CONDEMNATION! That's bible standard.

Therefore, if your prophecy or interpretation of tongues glorifies satan through its *condemnative* content, you might need to reevaluate it so that you can stop partnering with *Satan's Condemnation Ministry International* in voiding the finished work of CHRIST!

Even corrections to the believer must be done in love and from the angle of his righteousness by faith in Christ. We are truly chastised as believers when we see, through the word, who we truly are as new creations. If it's not enough reason for you to change as a believer then probably, just maybe you aren't one yet.

Again I say, the product of every interpretation must be edification and not condemnation.

Lastly on this for now, you must not sound mysterious to show that God is speaking. Also, King James English version is not the language of heaven therefore there is nothing special or *heavenly loaded* in delivering a prophetic word with it, nothing has spoiled too if you do.

JUST COMMUNICATE and WELL TOO.

## Why Bother Speak in Tongues?

**W**hat is even in this *tongues-thing* that we've been talking about all these while?

Of what importance is it to the believer in Christ? As in, why should we desire to pray in tongues or keep at it relentlessly if we speak in tongues already by the Holy Ghost?

A number of biblical references exist to answer these questions, so let's dig in...

1 Corinthians 14:2 *For he that speaketh in an unknown tongue speaketh not unto men, but unto God: for no man understandeth him; howbeit in the spirit he speaketh mysteries.*

First, we decode from the passage above that when we pray in tongues we are not speaking to man but to God and then we are speaking forth mysteries into the spirit realm.

*Unknown Tongues* is a privileged communication language flowing from the believer to His father God. Through unknown tongues we speak the father's language PERFECTLY without mistakes. He hears us PERFECTLY without mistakes and He answers us PERFECTLY without mistakes!

We may not know what we are saying (except through interpretation) and people around us plus the devil most assuredly does not understand what we are saying but God himself who we seek to communicate to understands, and PERFECTLY too.

Therefore with unknown tongues, we are not afraid that we may not be able to communicate with our father well the desires of our heart according to His will for us because IN TONGUES PERFECT COMMUNICATION ALREADY HAPPENED!

What a privilege to directly access our Abba, the God of all flesh, anytime we want without fear of not being heard or misunderstood.

With this knowledge, we pray even more boldly just like our elder brother JESUS, knowing that God hears us...

*John 11:41 Then they took away the stone from the place where the dead was laid. And Jesus lifted up his eyes, and said, Father, I thank thee that thou hast heard me.*

## Tongues Edifies the Speaker too

**W**hen the purpose of a thing is not known, not only will the user abuse the proper order of use of that thing, he/she will most certainly not enjoy using it wrongly because it's not being used for what it was designed to be used for.

We started looking at the "why of tongues", that is, why tongues is important to the believer in Christ and we saw that we are able to speak directly to our father God with it! What an awesome privilege!

Another importance of tongues is EDIFICATION!

1 Corinthians 14:4 *He that speaketh in an unknown tongue edifieth himself; but he that prophesieth edifieth the church.*

Edification here speaks of being emboldened, building up, charging up like you would a battery, it's more like stirring up the spiritual abilities resident on your inside as a believer.

The believer's spirit houses all he will ever need spiritually for his journey through this life. He has eternal life, wisdom, forgiveness, justification, love, direction, ideas, the gifts of the spirit, the fruits of the spirit, holiness, righteousness, power, and much more, locked up inside Him.

When we pray in tongues, we are able to edify ourselves by the stirring up of the spiritual intangible realities inside us being communicated to our human minds undergoing transformation and ultimately expressed in our speech, thoughts and actions.

With the edification comes exhortation and comfort and these when blended together births a spiritual man the world cannot deny his person as the new creation because he begins to manifest on the outside who he really is on the inside even though daily mind renewal and transformation by the word of God is always ongoing.

The power of praying in unknown tongues is such that till we return to heaven, the country of our citizenship, we won't be able to exhaust the possibilities inherent in praying in unknown tongues.

We have started though, and we will maximize as much as we can while we still can.

Jude 20 corroborates what we saw earlier in 1 Cor. 14:4 Jude 1:20 *But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost.*

## Prayer without Natural Impurities

**1** Corinthians 14:14 *For if I pray in an unknown tongue, my spirit prayeth, but my understanding is unfruitful.*

Have you ever being in a situation whereby you were very angry with your boss that all you prayed for was for him to be transferred, sacked or demoted?

There is a high possibility that your prayers at that point were emotional and not spirit inspired because you were angry (not holy anger now).

Have you ever loved a lady who is in another relationship? How do you start praying about her without being selfish... PRAYING for her to break up is selfishness especially when she is happy where she is. Praying for the man in her life to die so you take over is evil on its own, yet these are possible prayer options.

Have you ever being in a situation where you were to pray for two or more jobs, by the human mind, confusion sets in, especially where purpose isn't defined and money seems to be a major consideration above the will of God.

You get the gist now right?

The issue with this is that the involvement of our unrenewed human mind in prayer is a major limitation to our praying out God's perfect will. Our human mind can be biased in prayer because untrained emotions are involved. This is especially because, when we pray in a known language, we understand what we are saying.

That's where praying in the spirit come in, that's where tongues come in. When we pray in tongues, our minds are not involved therefore we pray out God's perfect will over situations and circumstances!

What an awesome way to pray aright! Before you take that step, make that decision or proceed with that investment, pray in the spirit and allow God lead you aright.

## Take Action; Pray!

**L**ike I said earlier, nobody wakes up 100% of the time bursting into prayer, it happens either very occasionally or as a result of a continuous lifestyle of prayer.

No matter what the motivation behind it is, we cannot just rely on being supernaturally moved to prayer; **ESPECIALLY WHEN YOU ARE TO WAKE UP FROM SLEEP IN THE MORNING TO PRAY...**

To maintain a consistent prayer lifestyle, you must understand the power in your ability to **SPEAK** and keep **SPEAKING** in tongues **IMMEDIATELY** your prayer alarm ticks off.

Once you wake up, **GET OFF YOUR BED, I REPEAT, GET-OFF-YOUR-BED** irrespective of how you feel, and just start **SPEAKING** in tongues.

The emphasis is on **SPEAKING!!!**

Don't think the tongues, don't murmur the tongues; SPEAK it. ROAR it. Don't stop, even though it might seem mechanical, keep going until you get into the flow...

You must be deliberate in building up a new testament prayer routine!

Never forget this: YOUR EDIFICATION IS IN YOUR SPEAKING; for he that SPEAKETH in an unknown tongue edifieth himself and we build up ourselves on our most holy faith PRAYING IN THE HOLY GHOST i.e SPEAKING IN TONGUES!!!

## Does Prayer Cancel Out Diligence?

**P**roverbs 22:29 *Seest thou a man diligent in his business? He shall stand before kings; he shall not stand before mean men.*

One thing prayer never ever cancels out is WORK! You must PRAY, You must also WORK!

Prayer is first and foremost our lifestyle. It is not primarily a tool for getting material things. It can however rightly position our heart to be sensitive to the promptings and leadings of the spirit on different areas of our life, including our careers, academics, businesses, ministry etc.

Diligence is scriptural and work is honorable. No amount of prayer can replace work and no amount of work can replace prayer.

Proverbs 10:4 *He becometh poor that dealeth with a slack hand: but the hand of the diligent maketh rich.*

Proverbs 12:24 *The hand of the diligent shall bear rule: but the slothful shall be under tribute.*

Proverbs 12:27 *The slothful man roasteth not that which he took in hunting: but the substance of a diligent man is precious.*

Proverbs 27:23 *Be thou diligent to know the state of thy flocks, and look well to thy herds.*

Even the Epistles teach us to work...

1 Corinthians 4:12 *And labour, working with our own hands: being reviled, we bless; being persecuted, we suffer it...*

1 Corinthians 16:10 *Now if Timotheus come, see that he may be with you without fear: for he worketh the work of the Lord, as I also do.*

Whether you are a minister of the gospel, a student, a business person or you are in any line of career, **YOU MUST PRAY AND YOU MUST WORK, YOU MUST WORK AND YOU MUST PRAY.**

I'll leave you with this... Proverbs 16:3 *Commit thy works unto the LORD, and thy thoughts shall be established.*

God will surely bless the works of your hands with favour, ideas, opportunities and productivity as you refuse to be idle this year and always.

**GET A JOB OR BETTER STILL CREATE ONE!**

## Does Prayer Give You Power?

**T**he answer is a capital, outright and unshakable NO!

How then does the believer get empowered? The believer is empowered by the infilling of the Holy Ghost!

*Acts 1:8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.*

*Luke 1:35 And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God.*

Take note that the resultant effect of the Holy Spirit presence in the life of man is that the man is EMPOWERED!

*Luke 4:18 The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised...*

The Holy Ghost carries the needed power and anointing to preach and operate the Supernatural!

*Luke 24:49 And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high.*

Again we see that power is not gotten when we pray, it is gotten when the Holy Ghost indwells us. Therefore NO BELIEVER WHO HAS THE HOLY GHOST IS POWERLESS.

The fact that you don't manifest it does not mean you don't have it; it simply means you either don't know you have it, you don't want to manifest it or you don't know how to manifest it!

Dear believer, you are not powerless, STOP ACTING POWERLESS!!!

If we are powerful already by the Holy Ghost, why then do we pray?

Good question!

Stay with me as I answer this question.

## Why Pray Since We Are Already Powerful?

**I**n the last chapter, we established that the believer is POWERFUL because the spirit of God dwells in him. I hope it sank in but just for emphasis sake, consider this passage also...

1 John 4:4 *Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.*

The greater one lives inside you, His name is Christ Jesus and He indwells us through His spirit which is at work in us.

If the believer is POWERFUL already, then why does he need to pray? Good question, consider this scripture...

James 5:16 *Confess to one another therefore your faults (your slips, your false steps, your offenses, your sins) and pray [also] for one another, that you may be healed and restored [to a spiritual tone of mind and heart]. The earnest (heartfelt, continued) prayer of a righteous man makes tremendous power available [dynamic in its working]. (Amplified version)*

The power resident on our inside is made available when we pray.

Healing power flows through us, miraculous power flows through us, power to calm the storms of life are released, wisdom to make the right choices is sparked off, Supernatural ideas are revived, TREMENDOUS POWER IS MADE AVAILABLE TO SEE THAT ISSUES RECEIVE ADEQUATE TREATMENT AND SOLUTIONS!

We are to be excited each time we pray because apart from the very fact that in prayer, intimacy with the father is deepened, it's also a channel to make TREMENDOUS POWER AVAILABLE.

What a great motivation to pray! What awesome privilege we have when we pray to handle our situations.

So when next life throws its ugly stones at you, DON'T CRY!!!! I SAID DON'T CRY!!!! Generate power to lay that issue to rest.

Family issues, work issues, business issues, spirituality issues, academic issues, relationship issues, ministry issues etc can all be handled in the place of prayer.

Glory to God!!!!!!!!!!!!!!  
We are given to prayer!  
We are given to tongues!  
We are given to the word!  
And we are consistent in it!

## Who do We Pray for; Ministers of the Gospel

**I**t's quite a pity that the whole idea of prayer has been so *selfish-lized* and the content of most believers' prayers both in their personal prayers and cooperate prayers in their churches are purely self-centered, "all about me", "me myself and I" kind of prayers.

In the new covenant, evident in the Epistles, we are admonished to pray for others and one of the people we are to pray for are ministers of the gospel.

Meeting their financial needs are good , ensuring they are comfortable with the material things of life are also good; but nothing beats or can replace our prayers for ministers of the gospel. They need it much more than all the good things of life.

So what do we pray for them about?

**1. We must pray for their deliverance from wicked and unreasonable men.**

Romans 15:30-31 *Now I beseech you, brethren, for the Lord Jesus Christ's sake, and for the love of the Spirit, that ye strive together with me in your prayers to God for me; That I may be delivered from them that do not believe in Judaea; and that my service which I have for Jerusalem may be accepted of the saints;*

2 Thessalonians 3:2 *And that we may be delivered from unreasonable and wicked men: for all men have not faith.*

**2. We must pray that utterance may be given them that they will boldly declare the gospel as they should.**

Ephesians 6:19 *And for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the gospel...*

Colossians 4:2-4 *Continue in prayer, and watch in the same with thanksgiving; Withal praying also for us, that God would open unto us a door of utterance, to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am also in bonds: That I may make it manifest, as I ought to speak.*

**3. We must pray for them that their ministry will be accepted of the saints and that the word of God will have free course and go unhindered.**

2 Thessalonians 3:1 *Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may have free course, and be glorified, even as it is with you...*

Pray for your pastor and pray for other ministers TODAY and ALWAYS!

Using the scriptures and prayer points above, PRAY FOR THEM IN THE SPIRIT!

## Pray for Brethren

**A**nother group of persons we are instructed to pray for in the Bible are fellow believers.

Funny enough we are not asked to pray for the spirit possessing them to let go of them because NO BELIEVER IN CHRIST JESUS can be possessed with a demon!

Co-me-on, don't give me that look, that's basic Bible truth! Your body is the temple of the holy Spirit, God lives in you and the last I checked, he hasn't rented any compartments in his house (which you are) to demonic terrorists.

Actually in our kingdom, we don't harbor terrorists, we sack them:

*Mark 16:17 And these signs shall follow them that believe; in my name shall they CAST OUT DEVILS; they shall speak with new tongues...*

Back to praying for believers, what should we pray for them about? Good question; let's get right on to it!

**1. That the eyes of our understanding be enlightened that we may come TO KNOW the hope of His calling, the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, what is the exceeding greatness of His power towards us. What and where Christ is today and our identification with Him as His body the church in His Resurrection! (Ephesians 1:16-23)**

Now that's a whole lot to have the eyes of our understanding opened to and supernaturally through the instrumentality of prayer and diligent study we are able to see, know, unravel and enjoy these truths from the word of God!

**2. We also pray for the believer that he be strengthened within Him by the spirit of God and that he COMPREHENDS the love of Christ which will cause him to be filled with the fullness of God. (Ephesians 3:14-19)**

Are you a believer? Then these are the prayers you should focus on praying. Trust me, there's more to be prayed about for the believer.

Before I conclude, we'll consider New Testament stand on fighting and praying our enemies to death because IT SEEMS TO BE WHAT MOST BELIEVERS ARE PREOCCUPIED WITH these days while some on the other hand have grown to know it as the only existing points to be prayed during prayer sessions in church.

More on that later.

## Pray more for the Brethren

**P**raying for other believers is scriptural and you don't even need to bother your head on what prayer points to pray because the word of God is filled with enough of those prayer points for you to start and run with. We looked at a few of them in the previous part, let's look at some more.

**3. We are to pray that our fellowship becomes more effective through the increase in our knowledge of who we are and what we have in Christ. (Philemon 1:6)**

Philemon 1:6 That the communication of thy faith may become effectual by the acknowledging of every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus.

**4. We also pray that believers be full of knowledge in order to appreciate and walk in God's plan and purpose for them and to please God producing fruits and are strengthened. (Colossians 1:9-11)**

Colossians 1:9 *For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding; That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God; Strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness;*

**5. We also pray for the believer that his love walk abounds more and more in knowledge and in all judgement and that he will be sincere and without offence until the day of Christ and that he'll be filled with the fruits of righteousness. (Philippians 1:9-10)**

Philippians 1:9-10 *And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and in all judgment; That ye may approve things that are excellent; that ye may be sincere and without offence till the day of Christ;*

Learn to pray these prayers for yourself and the brethren. The more reason to just keep praying is first found in the instruction to pray and then in the resultant effect of these prayers in your life and that of the believers.

## Some More Prayers for Believers

**S**till on praying for believers, we will examine a few more Bible passages and their inherent prayer points for the believer. Prayer Points 1-5 can be seen in the previous chapters..

**6. We pray for the believer for strengthening by the spirit of God within him and a comprehension of the love of Christ that causes us to be filled with the fullness of God.(Ephesians 3:14-19)**

*Ephesians 3:16 That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man; 3:17 That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, 3:18 May be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; 3:19 And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.*

**7. We also pray that the believer stands perfect and complete in**

**all the will of God. (Colossians 4:12)**

*Colossians 4:12 Epaphras, who is one of you, a servant of Christ, saluteth you, always labouring fervently for you in prayers, that ye may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God.*

**8. We pray also that we will be worthy of our calling and fulfil all the good pleasure of His goodness and that Jesus will be glorified in us for all to see. (1 Thessalonians 1:11-12)**

*2 Thessalonians 1:11-12 Wherefore also we pray always for you, that our God would count you worthy of this calling, and fulfil all the good pleasure of his goodness, and the work of faith with power: That the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you, and ye in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.*

Do you see embedded in these prayers serious mindedness, growth thoughts, responsibility, awareness and the desire to both maximize our inheritance in Christ and make impact for the kingdom here on earth?

This is what the prayers of a BELIEVER who is ministry, growth and impact minded looks like.

**COMMIT TO MINISTRY AND GROWTH, PRAY THESE PRAYERS, PRAY FOR OTHER BELIEVERS, SEE THE RESULTS!**

## Pray for Deliverance from Adversaries

**I**n continuation of this teaching on prayer, consider this sweet passage below.

*Philippians 4:6 Be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.*

The word everything in verse 6 above was translated from the Greek word "pas" which implies, "all these". It refers to specific things.

Worthy of note is that Paul wrote them in the midst of persecutions as we see in his letter to the Philippians.

*Philippians 1:28-30 And in nothing terrified by your adversaries: which is to them an evident token of perdition, but to you of salvation, and that of God. For unto you it is given in the behalf of Christ, not only to believe on him, but also to suffer for his sake; having the same conflict which ye saw in me, and now hear to be in me.*

His admonition in *Philippians* chapter four, contextually, was for them to pray concerning adverseries, sufferings for Christ's sake and conflict and the result of that prayer was to be *Philippians 4:7*:

*And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.*

As believers we are bound to encounter challenges. We are to pray concerning adversaries, conflicts and sufferings that we be delivered from them. The result is a peace that transcends understanding. That peace guarantees that the issue is handled!

Add this to your prayer cart. You'll be glad you did.

## Pray for People in Authority

**1** Timothy 2:1 *I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; for kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour; who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.*

The word "all" used in the above passage was also translated from the Greek word "pas" which means "all these referring to specific things.

Clearly the instruction to pray here was for all men in position of authority. The focus of our prayers is not to harm, kill or have them removed from office. Not at all.

1 Timothy 2:2 *For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty.*

*We pray for them so that as believers we can lead a quiet and peaceable life*

*and under this atmosphere the gospel can be preached to the unsaved and the reality of what God has accomplished for us in Christ can be freely taught to the believers.*

By so doing, God's will, plan and purpose for all men (which is salvation and coming into the knowledge of the truth) including those in position of authority is fulfilled on the earth.

In a country where most of our leaders are not saved, our prayer is first and foremost for their salvation and not for godly wisdom because their carnal, ungodly and unspiritual nature cannot receive godly things. They are mutually exclusive and incompatible but in getting saved wisdom inhabits them and is stirred up in them.

Pray brethren, pray for all those in positions of authority, pray for our leaders. We are enjoined to do so for our own peace and the peace of the land.

## What About Praying For Needs?

**I**t's been an exciting journey looking at what we are to pray for as believers.

We have learnt that we are to pray for ministers of the gospel. We are to pray for fellow believers. We are to pray to be delivered from adversaries, sufferings and conflicts for Christ's sake and we are to pray for those in authority.

Praying about our needs are not also left out. We are to pray about what we need but it must all be within the bounds of God's will as seen when the word is rightly divided.

1 John 5:14-15 *And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us: And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him.*

We are still in the flesh and still in the planet Earth and as long as that is

*the case we will encounter troubles and challenges that require us to seek help.*

*John 16:33 These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.*

Most people will rather talk to everyone about their needs apart from the God who can really help them with the need and that is very wrong.

Learn to talk to God first for any and everything you need no matter how big or small. He really cares about what you need and is more than willing to help you solve that issue

*1 Peter 5:7 Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.*

Stop complaining, Pray. Stop crying. Pray! Nothing you need is too big or too small for God to provide, PRAY!

## Dealing With Unclean Spirits in Prayer

**Y**our mindset when not aligned to true interpretation of scriptures will definitely birth erroneous teachings and lifestyle. Secondly it'll position you to not only struggle in the place of prayer but to also say unscriptural prayers.

Demons are not meant to die, they don't die, they cannot die or be destroyed yet, so IT IS FOOLISHNESS TO PRAY FOR DEMONS TO FALL DOWN AND DIE.

JESUS NEVER PRAYED LIKE THAT!

Take a clue on how Jesus dealt with unclean spirits and we invariably have how to deal with them today:

Matthew 10:1 *And when he had called unto him his twelve disciples, he gave them power against unclean spirits, TO CAST THEM OUT, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease.*

Mark 5:13 *And forthwith JESUS GAVE THEM LEAVE. And the UNCLEAN SPIRITS WENT OUT, and entered into the swine: and the herd ran violently down a steep place into the sea, (they were about two thousand ;) and were choked in the sea.*

Luke 4:36 *And they were all amazed, and spake among themselves, saying, What a word is this! for with authority and power he commandeth THE UNCLEAN SPIRITS, AND THEY COME OUT.*

JESUS CAST THEM OUT AND EMPOWERED/ INSTRUCTED US TO DO THE SAME!

Mark 16:17 *And these signs shall follow them that believe; IN MY NAME SHALL THEY CAST OUT DEVILS; they shall speak with new tongues...*

The apostles heeded this instruction...

Acts 8:6-8 *And the people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did. For unclean spirits, crying with loud voice, came out of many that were possessed with them: and many taken with palsies, and that were lame, were healed. And there was great joy in that city.*

When we pray for spirits to die, WE SHOW FORTH THE HEIGHT OF OUR SCRIPTURAL IGNORANCE. PLEASE REPENT AND HAVE A CHANGE OF MIND then pray aright!

## What About Praying For My Enemies to Die?

**J**ust like praying for spirits to die so you can be free is a showcase of scriptural ignorance, the same can be said for "let my enemies die" kind of prayers.

First, the primary enemy we have is the devil. The human agents in question are just channels he uses to perpetrate his schemes. They are in bondage and need deliverance/ salvation too from the bondage of the devil.

*2 Corinthians 4:4 In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not (that's bondage), lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.*

God is not interested in the death or destruction of his creations...

*Luke 9:54-56 And when his disciples James and John saw this, they said, Lord, wilt thou that we command fire to come down from heaven, and consume them, even as Elias did? BUT HE TURNED, AND REBUKED*

*THEM, AND SAID, YE KNOW NOT WHAT MANNER OF SPIRIT ye ARE OF. FOR THE SON OF MAN IS NOT COME TO DESTROY MEN'S LIVES, BUT TO SAVE THEM. And they went to another village.*

*2 Peter 3:9 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, NOT WILLING THAT ANY SHOULD PERISH, BUT THAT ALL SHOULD COME TO REPENTANCE.*

God is not even a killer! He desires all men to receive the life he gives.

*John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.*

*John 10:10 The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I AM COME THAT THEY MIGHT HAVE LIFE, AND THAT THEY MIGHT HAVE IT MORE ABUNDANTLY.*

Does anyone need to die before we can claim true freedom and success?

THE ANSWER IS AN EMPHATIC YES!

Let me show you who...

## Who Should Die for Your Freedom?

**D**oes anyone need to die before we can claim true freedom and success? Yes!

The only person who needed to die has already died! Jesus Christ our Lord and savior who died for us, the just for the unjust!

**1 Peter 3:18 For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit.**

Our faith in Him already guaranteed our freedom!

*John 8:32, 36: And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.*

Because He died for our freedom, no other human being needs to die for us to have any freedom whatsoever.

His once-and-for-all-ultimate sacrifice is superior to whatever sacrifice we think should be done for us to be free, human, financial or material!

As a matter of fact, if you think anybody needs to die before you can succeed then in whose presence will God prepare a table before you?

*Psalms 23:5 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.*

Therefore, if you are born again, you are **COMPLETELY** delivered from any form of satanic rule and **YOU ARE NOT IN ANY FORM OF BONDAGE** because Jesus has set you free and as such no one needs to die for you to be free because you are not even in bondage.

This is a spiritual truth and reality we must deliberately imprint on our hearts irrespective of what we see or feel.

Again, you, the **BELIEVER IS NOT IN BONDAGE!!!**

It's an insult to the God who lives in you for Satan through a man or woman to determine your success or failure. You are too powerful for that.

I'll tell you more on this; just stay with me.

## The Name of Jesus!

**I**t's very saddening that most denominations have volunteered as the devil's unpaid promotion/advertising managers and they are really doing a good job at that.

It's also an insult to the God we carry for us as believers to think that the devil through a human vessel is powerful enough to distort our destiny.

We make a mess of the power at work in us as believers when we exalt the devil through our thoughts as they are laid bare in our prayer points across denominations.

Do you not know that there's a power at work in us? The power of the most High and that its potency is super higher than whatever powers that come at you?

Ephesians 3:20 *Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, ACCORDING TO THE POWER THAT WORKETH IN US...*

Do you not know that the greater one lives inside you and that He is so powerful that nothing or being can defeat Him!

1 John 4:4 *Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because GREATER IS HE THAT IS IN YOU, THAN HE THAT IS IN THE WORLD.*

See, OUR SUCCESS AND ACHIEVEMENTS ARE NEVER WITHOUT OPPOSITIONS, internal or external, WE SUCCEED IRRESPECTIVE OF OBSTACLES HUMAN OR DEMONIC.

No matter what happens, we are confident in the name of Jesus to sack any devil out of everything that concerns us. The name is ours for the use.

Philippians 2:9-11 *Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.*

Mark 16:17 *And these signs shall follow them that believe; IN MY NAME SHALL THEY CAST OUT DEVILS; they shall speak with new tongues.*

## No to Unbelief!

**J**ames 1:8 *If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him. But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord. A double minded man is unstable in all his ways.*

Prayer goes beyond making requests unto God to receiving answers to the prayers prayed. Therefore it's in line to say that receiving is part of prayer.

However many believers pray and do not receive answers to their prayers because of what James called out in James 1:6 concerning not asking in faith and wavering in prayer.

In a nutshell he was simply speaking of unbelief as the reason for not receiving when we ask.

UNBELIEF DOESN'T STOP GOD FROM GIVING US ANYTHING,

## IT ONLY DISTORTS OUR RECEPTION ALIGNMENT TO WHAT HE HAS ALREADY GIVEN TO US IN CHRIST JESUS!

If we read further down James chapter one, we discover that the double-mindedness, wavering and unbelief has to do with what we believe as the character of God.

Therefore to always receive answers, we must discover and get grounded in the truth that God is a giving God and that he gives all men liberally without blaming or finding faults including you!

We must also settle in our hearts that God does not tempt anyone with evil including you. Thus the circumstances that drive the believer to pray were not engineered by God in any way to test the believers faith.

Worthy of note too about God's character is that God is a good God. He is without variableness. He never ever changes from being good whether to you or to any believer!

Never forget He is not just God the Creator to us, He is our father and he is naturally caring and desirous to meet our needs when we ask him.

If these truths aren't in your heart always as you pray, the resultant effect is unbelief and where there is unbelief, we cannot receive from the numerous things God has given us already.

The cure to unbelief is found in GETTING GROUNDED IN THE TRUTH ABOUT GOD'S UNCHANGING CHARACTER as we see in scriptures, modeled by Christ.

GET TO THE WORD!

## You Have all You Need Already

**K**eeP this in mind when praying: THE BELIEVER IN CHRIST DOES NOT LACK ANYTHING! HE HAS ALL HE'LL EVER NEED STORED OUT IN THE SPIRITUAL REALM.

*2 Peter 1:3 According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue*

*Romans 8:32 He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?*

*Colossians 2:10 And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power:*

Since we have all we need, it's important to note that prayer is not a means for us to create what we need but a means of bringing into manifestation the things that are already ours besides it's intimacy and fellowship with God functions.

Therefore, the believer's greatest need is to know and not to have for by knowing all we have in Christ, we are better positioned to call into manifestation the things that have been freely given us.

I'll say it again: THE BELIEVER'S GREATEST NEED IS NOT TO HAVE ANYTHING (because he is complete already) BUT TO KNOW WHAT HE HAS IN CHRIST AND THEN CALL IT INTO MANIFESTATION.

Consider the Pauline prayers to the churches, they were predominantly prayers for them to know...

*Ephesians 1:17 That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him: 1:18 The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints.*

*Philippians 1:9 And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and in all judgment.*

AS MUCH AS YOU ARE GIVEN TO PRAYER, BE GIVEN AS MUCH TO THE WORD, FOR THERE IN WE DISCOVER WHAT TREASURES AND INHERITANCES THAT ARE OURS AND CONSEQUENTLY TAKE DELIVERY OF IT!

## Prayer Mixed with the Word

**W**e've established that prayer can only be effective when prayed in the knowledge of God's word. Praying in faith therefore is actually praying the word for faith comes by hearing the word of God.

Romans 10:17 *So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.*

The need arises for the believer to take feeding on the word seriously for by it we grow and by it our prayers are aligned to God's will.

Colossians 3:16 *Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.*

1 Peter 2:2 *As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby:*

Even the apostles understood the power in this combination of the word and prayer.

*Acts 6:4 But we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word.*

The more our growth in the word the more enjoyable our prayer times become. These two cannot be separated from each other.

THEREFORE PRAYER ALONE IS NOT AND CAN NEVER BE THE MASTER KEY LIKE WE SING IT TO BE SIMPLY BECAUSE ANY PRAYER NOT FOUNDED ON THE WORD CAN NEVER PASS AS EFFECTIVE!

WE ARE GIVEN TO PRAYER!  
WE ARE GIVEN TO THE WORD!  
WE ARE LED ACCURATELY BY THE SPIRIT and  
WE GROW IN EXPLOITS!

**I**n bringing this teaching to a close for now, I charge you to pray!

Dear BELIEVER, PRAYER IS NOT A SUGGESTION, IT'S A BIBLICAL INSTRUCTION, take it very seriously.

1 Thessalonians 5:17 Pray without ceasing.

I shared this at some point in this book and still feel the need to end with this same timeless charge:

No one wakes up 100% of the time bursting into prayer, it happens either very occasionally or as a product of a continuous lifestyle of prayer.

No matter what the motivation behind it is, we cannot just rely on being *supernaturally* moved to prayer... ESPECIALLY WHEN YOU ARE TO WAKE UP FROM SLEEP IN THE MORNING TO PRAY...

To maintain a consistent prayer lifestyle, you must understand the power in your ability to SPEAK and keep SPEAKING in tongues IMMEDIATELY your prayer alarm ticks off.

Once you wake up, GET OFF YOUR BED, I REPEAT, GET-OFF-YOUR-BED irrespective of how you feel and just start SPEAKING in tongues.

The emphasis is on SPEAKING!

Don't think the tongues, don't murmur the tongues, SPEAK it, ROAR it, don't stop, even though it might seem mechanical, keep going until you get into the flow...

You must be deliberate in building up a new testament prayer routine!

Never forget this: YOUR EDIFICATION IS IN YOUR SPEAKING...for he that SPEAKETH in an unknown tongue edifieth himself and we build up ourselves on our most holy faith PRAYING IN THE HOLY GHOST i.e SPEAKING IN TONGUES!!!

**W**ake up mighty man, wake up!

Tap into the potentials in you, wake up!

Stir up the gifts on your inside, wake up!

Harness the deposits of grace buried in you, wake up!

For nation's cry out for what you have, Kings long to tap from the wealth of your spiritual deposits.

Generations from the near and far future shout and scream to you saying: we are coming, don't leave us without footprints that suggest **NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE.**

They beg you to take that one or two or more steps that will cause ripple effects on others to take theirs.

They long for you to understand that destinies are tied to yours.

They wish you could quit living, thinking, speaking and acting selfishly.

They wish you can understand that there's a bigger picture of impact, a bigger view of possibilities, a better space for more results.

Oh! How they long for you to understand that you are in a competition with no one.

How they wish you can commit to becoming a better version of you today than you were yesterday.

How they wish you will stop merely existing and start living, they wish you can stop whining and start acting, they wish you can stop wishing and start implementing, they wish you will just for a second understand that **A MIGHTY GOD CREATED YOU MIGHTY AND YOU ARE BIGGER THAN WHO YOU THINK YOU ARE!**

**WAKE UP MIGHTY MAN, WAKE UP!!! GET TO PRAYER AND PRAY THINGS OUT. START TODAY, START NOW!!!!**

Destinies await your rising  
Nations need you like fresh air  
Kings look to the brightness of your rising  
Pray more ! Study more ! Evangelise more  
Take those courses! Join that forum  
Take that initiative!  
Wake up mighty man wake up!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



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## About KC EZE

KC EZE exists for impact through the teaching of, leadership, personal development and unapologetically the gospel of Christ.

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## About KC Eze Ministries

**KC EZE Ministries** is primarily geared towards impacting lives and raising men to do same.

In other words, we exist to positively inspire and influence lives to be the best that God has created them to be and in turn raise and motivate them to also impact their world in their various spheres of influence.



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