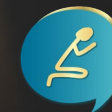


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DESPERATE PRAYER

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Prophetic Word 2024

Oh, I pray that the [cold] north wind and the [soft] south wind may blow upon my garden, that its spices may flow out [in abundance for you in whom my soul delights]. Let my beloved come into his garden and eat its choicest fruits.

Song of Solomon 4:16 AMPC



Current Challenges facing the Church

“The chief danger that confronts the coming century will be religion without the Holy Ghost, Christianity without Christ, forgiveness without repentance, salvation without regeneration, politics without God, heaven without hell.”

— William Booth



Season for Desperate Prayer

“God will not intervene until we come to a point of desperation.” - Derek Prince

“The best form of prayer is prayer that comes as a cry to God.” - Charles Spurgeon

“Desperate prayer is when there is no other option left but to call upon God and God alone.”



Season for Desperate Prayer

However, after a long time [nearly forty years] the king of Egypt died; and the Israelites were sighing and groaning because of the bondage. They kept crying, and their cry because of slavery ascended to God. And God heard their sighing and groaning and [earnestly] remembered His covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob. God saw the Israelites and took knowledge of them and concerned Himself about them [knowing all, understanding, remembering all].

Exodus 2:23-25 AMPC



Season for Desperate Prayer

What we learn from the prayers of Jesus

During the days of Jesus' life on earth, He offered up prayers and petitions with loud cries and tears to the one who could save Him from death, and He was heard because of His reverent submission (Hebrews 5:7).

Consider that Jesus' desperate prayer here goes hand in hand with obedience to the Father. O, how desperate are we sometimes for the help of God! Still, are we so desperate that we are even willing to obey God if His answers to our prayers are different from what we expect?



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From Moses we learn how he prayed for the nation:

“But now, please forgive their sin – but if not, then blot me out of the book you have written” (Exodus 32:32).

Think about what this really means. Are you willing to go to hell for the sake of your nation.



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Hundreds of years later, Paul prayed nearly the same prayer:

“I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were cursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, those of my own race” (Romans 9:2-3).

That which neither Moses nor Paul could do – to carry the curse of God for the nation on their behalf – Christ came to carry. Moses and Paul had the same attitude as Christ in prayer.



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Now, consider your nation...

If we want to pray for the world and its needs, we will need the same attitude, the same desperation, the same heart, the same tears as Jesus (Hebrews 5:7), the same birth pains and day-and-night prayer as Paul (Galatians 4:19), the same attitude as Moses who was, for 40 days and 40 nights, without food or water before the face of God, in prayer for the anger of God to subside against the Israelites.



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Amazing lessons we learn from Luke 18:1-8

Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. He said: “In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared about men. And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, ‘Grant me justice against my adversary.’ For some time, he refused. But finally, he said to himself, ‘Even though I don’t fear God or care about men, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won’t eventually wear me out with her coming!’ And the Lord said, ‘Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? I tell you he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?’”

When we pray like this there will be a breakthrough.



Three breakthroughs

- **Africa exporting the Gospel**
- **Food Security**
- **Increase in Bible Translation**



Three main challenges in Africa

- **Fatherlessness**
- **Mixed religion**
- **Salvation without transformation**



Vision 2033 (2012)

One 24-7 Prayer Watch in every country around the world praying for Revival among the nations in 2033

- **One Prayer Watch**
- **Seven Weeks**



Implementing Vision 2033

Three Leadership Keys

- **Visionary (Director)**
- **Implementer (Manager)**
- **Sustainer (Administrator)**



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