



Stewarding His Presence





2 CHRONICLES 7:1^{ESV}

AS SOON AS SOLOMON FINISHED HIS PRAYER, FIRE CAME DOWN FROM HEAVEN AND CONSUMED THE BURNT OFFERING AND THE SACRIFICES, AND THE GLORY OF THE LORD FILLED THE TEMPLE.





Prayer is your natural and legal entrance to something that is already supernaturally manifested.





Prayer is not a reaction to a circumstance...

It's a discipline that we do every day.



The Prayer of...

1. Adoration





The Prayer of...

1. Adoration
 2. Lamentation
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2 CHRONICLES 6:19_{NIV}

YET, LORD MY GOD, GIVE ATTENTION TO YOUR SERVANT'S PRAYER AND HIS PLEA FOR MERCY. HEAR THE CRY AND THE PRAYER THAT YOUR SERVANT IS PRAYING IN YOUR PRESENCE.





Lament:
cry in pain, confusion, sorrow, or grief.





SOUND = QOL in Hebrew

Definition:

1. Voice
 2. Thundering sound of lamentation.
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Lamentation Prayers:

Becoming vulnerable with our pain in the presence of God.





If you don't give hurt and pain over to God, it will desensitize you to the presence of God.





If we don't lament our pain to God, it becomes our baggage...

And eventually our identity.





Until you develop a prayer life, you will constantly listen to the noise of your pain without lamentation.



PSALM 22:1-5_{ESV}

MY GOD, MY GOD, WHY HAVE YOU FORSAKEN ME? WHY ARE YOU SO FAR FROM SAVING ME, FROM THE WORDS OF MY GROANING? ² O MY GOD, I CRY BY DAY, BUT YOU DO NOT ANSWER, AND BY NIGHT, BUT I FIND NO REST. ³ YET YOU ARE HOLY, ENTHRONED ON THE PRAISES OF ISRAEL. ⁴ IN YOU OUR FATHERS TRUSTED; THEY TRUSTED, AND YOU DELIVERED THEM. ⁵ TO YOU THEY CRIED AND WERE RESCUED; IN YOU THEY TRUSTED AND WERE NOT PUT TO SHAME.





The prayer of lamentation is a pathway to deliverance.





1 PETER 5:7-8^{ESV}

...CASTING ALL YOUR ANXIETIES ON HIM, BECAUSE HE CARES FOR YOU. ⁸ BE SOBER-MINDED; BE WATCHFUL. YOUR ADVERSARY THE DEVIL PROWLs AROUND LIKE A ROARING LION, SEEKING SOMEONE TO DEVOUR.





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