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This is a resource for you to take the word God gives us in His house to your house!

A **HELPFUL TIP**: RE-watch the sermon online (*available @ facebook.com/journeychurch.family*) by yourself or with others.

2020 VISION: PRAYER (PART 2 of 3)

Sunday, January 19, 2020

In this series, we're going to scripturally unpack what 'life' focuses need to be in your life in order to position yourself to receive all God has for you in 2020. Our heart is for you to arrive at the end of this year completely drenched in God's provision and power for your life.

OVERVIEW OF THIS PRAYER SERIES

The **NEED** to pray

HOW you should pray. ← *Today's message.*

The **RESULTS** that come **WHEN** you pray.

POWER THOUGHT —> Prayer provides preventative spiritual health to your life. BY PRAYING EVERY DAY, YOU ARE **GIVING YOUR LIFE STRENGTH** NOT ONLY FOR WHAT YOU'RE CURRENTLY IN...BUT ALSO YOU ARE EQUIPPING YOURSELF TO BE ABLE TO HANDLE **WHAT IS TO COME**. This is what's available to you when you spend quality time with the Lord in prayer!

PSALM 84:10 NLT

A single day in your courts is better than a thousand anywhere else! I would rather be a gatekeeper in the house of my God than live the good life in the homes of the wicked.

JESUS' TEACHING ON THE LORD'S PRAYER IS THE GREATEST GUIDE GIVEN TO US THAT SHOWS YOU HOW TO PRAY.

LUKE 11:1-4 NIV

2 "This, then, is how you should pray: 'Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. 3 Give us today our daily bread. 4 And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.'

"OUR FATHER" —> Your view of God affects how you APPROACH God. You're not praying to a distant being in the pavilions of outer space. When you pray, you are in the presence of YOUR FATHER.

"IN HEAVEN" —> God's perspective for your life is from HEAVEN and He offers that perspective to you every time you pray. (Read Hebrews 4:13; 1 John 3:20; Romans 8:28)

“HALLOWED BE YOUR NAME” —> The word “hallowed” means ‘set apart from all evil.’ This reminds us that God ISN’T the cause of evil in your life.

“YOUR KINGDOM COME, YOUR WILL BE DONE” —> We have to remember you are in God’s Kingdom, not yours when you pray. He is the King, not you. Your life is not all about what you want. God, the King has a will, plan, guide and map for your life. Use prayer to sync your will, plans and desires to His, every day.

“GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD” —> God endorses you asking Him to meet and provide for the needs of your life.

“FORGIVE” —> The context here is embracing the forgiveness of God and taking time to ensure you are receiving it as well as giving it out, especially those who may have hurt you. Scripturally, you cannot have a relationship with forgiveness if it’s not being given out to those who have caused pain to your life. (Read Matthew 6:15)

“AND LEAD US” —> A significant portion of your prayer time should be strategizing with God on how to overcome the traps and temptations the enemy has for your life.

IF YOU WANT RESULTS...HOW YOU PRAY MATTERS!

LUKE 11:5-8 NLT

Then, teaching them more about prayer, he used this story: “Suppose you went to a friend’s house at midnight, wanting to borrow three loaves of bread. You say to him, 6 ‘A friend of mine has just arrived for a visit, and I have nothing for him to eat.’ 7 And suppose he calls out from his bedroom, ‘Don’t bother me. The door is locked for the night, and my family and I are all in bed. I can’t help you.’ 8 But I tell you this—though he won’t do it for friendship’s sake, if you keep knocking long enough, he will get up and give you whatever you need because of your shameless persistence.

GOD ANOINTS ROUTINE. HE BLESSES PERSISTENCE.

LUKE 11:9-13 NLT

“And so I tell you, keep on asking, and you will receive what you ask for. Keep on seeking, and you will find. Keep on knocking, and the door will be opened to you. 10 For everyone who asks, receives. Everyone who seeks, finds. And to everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. “You fathers, if your children ask for a fish, do you give them a snake instead? Or if they ask for an egg, do you give them a scorpion? Of course not! So if you sinful people know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him.”

CLOSING THOUGHT —> MANY of the problems in our lives could very well be there NOT because of what we’re doing, but rather because of what we’re NOT doing. Take time routinely and allow yourself to pray under the scriptural guide provided for you in Jesus’ teaching in Luke 11. Make a commitment TODAY to begin praying like He taught which will put incredible intentionality in HOW you spend the quality you have with the Lord...and just WATCH the results that will follow!