Daily Dose of Power Pastor Sherry Gregory September 2 Part 6

> The Grace to Pray What, When, How, Where

Greetings again in the Mighty Name of and by the Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ! Have you begun to expand and grow in your prayer life upon reading and studying this series, "The Grace to Pray"? I want to encourage you again to re-read the first 5 teachings. It will allow the Lord to impart even more than you've ever realized concerning prayer and the communion and communication with the Lord that He desires to have with you!

For today, the Lord wants me to expound on Part 5: Supplication, Dedication, the Prayer of Agreement, the Prayer of Faith and the Prayer of Petition. I talked about how these and all prayer styles for the person who is <u>genuinely seeking God's fellowship must come organically</u> from the heart, they must have the confident basis of the God Kind of faith-knowing Who God our Father is and how much He desires to answer our questions, concerns, and how much Jesus absolutely loves our partnership as He intercedes for us as we pray. I talked about the fact that though these types of prayers have been documented in God's Word both Old and New Testament, they are <u>all from a basic and genuine fellowship with a Father Who Loves</u> <u>us!</u> Whether verbally (out loud), in writing, with our actions confirming and rehearsing His Word-saying the same thing God says, He hears us <u>and answers us when we are In the Spirit because He is a Spirit just like we are spirits.</u> In prayer and by our spirit, we are agreeing with 1) God's Word, 2) His Blood Covenant by Jesus the Christ and 3) His promises, humbly yet with confident boldness. It is the way God intends it. The Word of God says in <u>John</u> <u>6:63</u> (NKJV) "It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit, and they are life."

Being IN the Spirit and IN Faith, by Love, are the spiritual requirements in every type of effective prayer. I gave you Noah Websters 1828 Dictionary definitions of each of these 5 types of prayer, but God's way of fellowship supersedes everything, and our communication with Him must be by a pure heart and motive when we pray.

## <u>1 Peter 1:23</u> (KJV) "Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever."

Something I want to be sure to relay to you right now is that you have the LIFE OF GOD flowing though you! Even if you consider yourself to be an experienced prayer, and a long-term believer, up until now you've not estimated yourself rightly. You have more on the inside of your spirit. You must seek to realize fully with humility and confidence <u>Who You Are IN</u>

<u>CHRIST!</u> Then carry yourself in that attitude or should I say <u>"altitude"</u> without human pride or arrogance creeping in. Jesus did this perfectly, yet He was hated for this exact way of life. When He confirmed who He was to the rulers of His day, they were afraid of Him and they hated Him! But He walked through the crowd who wanted to throw Him off a cliff and kept on praying to His Father, getting instructions from His Father and as The Father showed Him, He kept on teaching and preaching!

The Lord has so much to impart to you in this study, but His way is to teach and grow me as I share what He has shown me! That's the way it works with our Lord. The person who is graced to pour His Word and His Covenant Blessings out to others is like a water hose, in that as the water pours through the hose, the hose gets wet! That goes for prayer and for your everyday life too! So, as I am moved by Him in the things that I say and do, I expect <u>His water of life not only flowing through me, but to me!</u> Likewise, as we pray, the Anointing (the burden removing, yoke destroying power of God) works to grow you and to grow others when you pray in His presence and moved by His Love.

## <u>2 Corinthians 3:18</u> (AMPC) "And all of us, as with unveiled face, [because we] continued to behold [in the Word of God] as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are constantly being transfigured into His *very own* image in ever increasing splendor *and* from one degree of glory to another; [for this comes] from the Lord [Who is] the Spirit."

That prompts a testimony I have been blessed to give many times before from my experience in Fort Worth at Jerry Savelle School of World Evangelism and Bible School. Bob and I had been in one of the powerful classes training ministers of The Gospel. At the end, the professor instructed everyone to pray for each other. One of my women sisters in the Lord and one of our friends asked me to pray for her. I'll refer to her by the first name Ann in this writing. That prayer request taught me something very valuable and pertinent which the Lord wants me to reveal to you right now. My friend was quite overweight, yet she shared with me that she had wanted to develop her ministry to help those who were overweight. But she stated she felt she had to lose weight before she could do that. I was quickened with her words, and I'll as closely to verbatim as possible write what the Lord said through me. "No, you don't have to wait until you've perfected your ministry to start it! Go ahead and by My Spirit, get started. Let me lead you, let Me flow through you, and as you do, you will lose the weight! My anointing will quicken your flesh!"

This is for you right now! Stretch forward and take the time to get into His presence again and again so that He can grow you up, even more! There is much He has for you to do for Him that only you can do! <u>Isaiah 54:2</u> (AMPC) "Enlarge the place of your tent, and let the curtains of your habitations be stretched out; spare not; lengthen your cords and strengthen your stakes."

As you stretch your faith beyond what you've known before in the natural or even in Christ, know that God is a God of increase, of growth, and of maturing and equipping His people! As

in <u>Hebrews 11:6</u>, without Faith it is impossible to please Him. <u>John 6:63</u> "It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit, and *they* are life." Here's the same passage in The Message: <u>John 6:63b-64</u> "What would happen if you saw the Son of Man ascending to where he came from? The Spirit can make life. Sheer muscle and willpower don't make anything happen. Every word I've spoken to you is a Spirit-word, and so it is life-making. But some of you are resisting, refusing to have any part in this."

When we pray to the Father in Jesus' name, we are <u>"touching"</u> the situation or the person, in the Spirit. But if we don't approach the Father in Faith and in the Spirit, He cannot receive from us. <u>Matthew 18:19-20</u> (KJV) "Again I say unto you, That if two of you shall <u>agree on earth as touching any thing</u> that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven. For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

<u>As touching</u> is a term that can be thought of as "in contact with", or in the Spirt. It is like touching the situation or the person with God's Divine hand! Praying in DIVINE CONTACT with God and the situation or the person makes a supernatural door open for the manifestation of magnificent new things! You can touch any situation or circumstance or person or group of people with God's Will and His hand when you pray in the Spirit and in agreement with His Covenant Blessing! That is different than superseding a person's will. We cannot control the decisions of others; the choice is still theirs. But we can post Angelic protection around people and send others across their paths who can speak to them in the ways that will get Father God's Love and Will to them. John 18:6 (AMPC) <sup>6</sup> When Jesus said to them, I am He, they went backwards (drew back, lurched backward) and fell to the ground. Scholars say that the men who sought to arrest Jesus were more than 600 by number, and His "spirit words" had such power that they fell back from that power to the ground. That is why being born of Him, we must guard that our words are used for the Kingdom's sake.

<u>Psalm 24: 1-10</u> (NKJV) "The earth *is* the Lord's, and all its fullness, The world and those who dwell therein.<sup>2</sup> For He has founded it upon the seas, And established it upon the <sup>[a]</sup>waters. <sup>3</sup> Who may ascend into the hill of the Lord? Or who may stand in His holy place? <sup>4</sup> He who has clean hands and a pure heart, Who has not lifted up his soul to an idol, Nor sworn deceitfully. <sup>5</sup> He shall receive blessing from the Lord, And righteousness from the God of his salvation. <sup>6</sup> This *is* Jacob, the generation of those who seek Him, Who seek Your face. *Selah* 

<sup>7</sup> Lift up your heads, O you gates! And be lifted up, you everlasting doors! And the King of glory shall come in.<sup>8</sup> Who *is* this King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, The Lord mighty in battle. <sup>9</sup> Lift up your heads, O you gates! Lift up, you everlasting doors! And the King of glory shall come in. <sup>10</sup> Who is this King of glory? The Lord of hosts, He *is* the King of glory. *Selah*"

Receive The King of Glory, lift up your countenance and walk and talk with Him. Pray daily by Faith in the Father, Son and Holy Spirit and in the Love that never fails! Receive His unearned favor and unlimited ability to touch supernaturally, every situation in a major way for His Kingdom's sake!!!! He has been waiting to have a talk with you, to talk back with you, and to allow you to speak out His Will into the earth's atmosphere and into the nations of people! Get started and He will increase you and your abilities! He's looking for someone who will!

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