

THE 10:10 PROPOSAL

**A PRAYER CALL FOR WONDERFUL MERCY
FEBRUARY 19, 2017**

PRAYING TOGETHER

- **Matthew 18:19** NLT
“If two of you agree here on earth concerning anything you ask, my Father in heaven will do it for you.”
- Jesus is telling us that agreement-prayer is a higher form of communication than anything else we can do

WHY PRAY TOGETHER? GREATER PROTECTION

- **Ecclesiastes 4:12** NLT

“A person standing alone can be attacked and defeated, but two can stand back-to-back and conquer. Three are even better, for a triple-braided cord is not easily broken.”

- **Amos 3:3** NKJV

“Can two walk together, unless they are agreed?”

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- Jesus did not send out his disciples alone, but in pairs – because it's too dangerous alone
- **Matthew 10:16** GW
“I'm sending you out like sheep among wolves. So be as cunning as snakes but as innocent as doves.”

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- Jesus sets His seal upon the assembly of the faithful, even smallest kind
- Spurgeon: “Two believers united in holy desire and solemn prayer will have great power with God. Instead of despising the verdict of so small a gathering we ought to respect it as the Father does.”

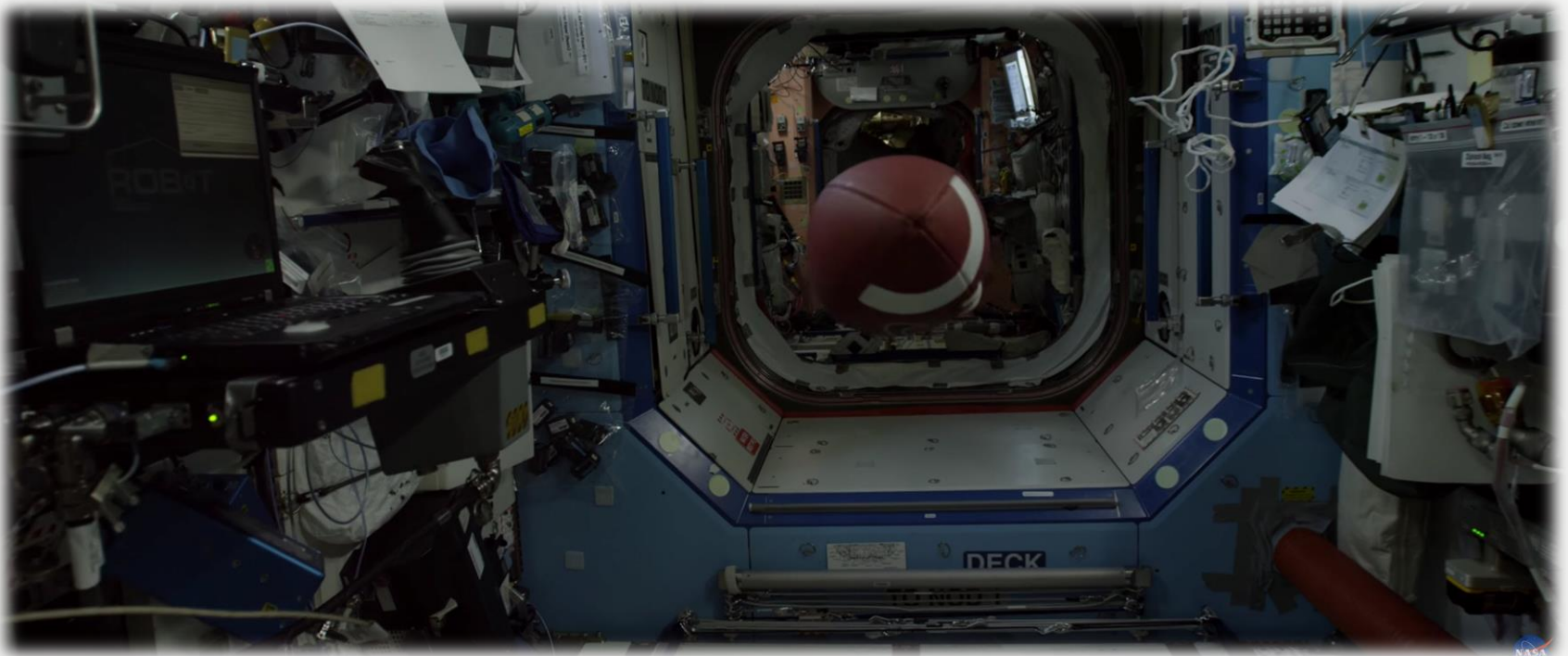
WHY PRAY TOGETHER? GREATER POWER

- **Leviticus 26:8** NIV

“Five of you will chase a hundred, and a hundred of you will chase ten thousand, and your enemies will fall by the sword before you.”

- The Greek word for “do” in Matthew 18:19 comes from a verb that means “to give birth”
- God will release power to create a new situation, a new reality

WHY PRAY TOGETHER? GREATER POWER



WHY PRAY TOGETHER? GREATER PRESENCE

- **Matthew 18:20** NRSV

“For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

- **John 14:14** NIV

“You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.”

- This is the fundamental power of agreement: it invokes the presence of God

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- **Jeremiah 6:16** NIV

“This is what the LORD says: ‘Stand at the crossroads and look; ask for the ancient paths, ask where the good way is, and walk in it, and you will find rest for your souls. But you said, ‘We will not walk in it.’”

- If INVITING depends on our power to persuade or motivate, we’re sunk; if the wellness of soul depends on our efforts, we’re in trouble

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- **Ecclesiastes 10:10** NASB

“If the axe is dull and he does not sharpen *its* edge, then he must exert more strength. Wisdom has the advantage of giving success.”

- **Ecclesiastes 10:10** MSG

“Remember: the duller the ax the harder the work...”

- We’ve been working with a dull axe

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- We are calling this faith family to prayer at 10:10 a.m. and/or p.m. for 10 seconds of prayer for Wonderful Mercy Church every day
- Imagine: what if you knew that almost everyone you know was praying for the same thing at the same time, with the same purpose?
- Henry Blackaby: “Some people believe prayer works. But it does not. *It* never works. God works.”

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