

# Intercession

*The Intercessors Handbook*, by Jennifer Eivaz

## HANDOUT #1

Intercession is standing in the gap, warring in the spirit realm to change the course of lives, nations and governments.

Intercessory prayer is a sacrifice of self, your time and even a meal two, or more as God directs us to intercede and stand in the gap. Intercession is critical, precise, and extremely important and necessary, as we are Kingdom priest with our Lord and Savior praying God's will on earth as it is in heaven.

Prayer, Intercession, and the Gifts of the Holy Spirit, is not gender related, nor is it gender specific.

### OUR RESPONSIBILITY

- We have the responsibility to pray and intercede corporately and individually
- To rule on earth by Christ's authority through prayer on earth
- To work together corporately to accomplish more faster, than left to do it alone
- To recognize our Kingdom call and purpose and be active in our part for the Kingdom of God

### INFILLING OF THE HOLY GHOST

- He will pray through us in the spiritual realm that is more than our mind and senses can comprehend
- He will pray through us when we don't have the language or understanding to speak it
- He will teach and guide us
- He empowers us and gives us boldness
- Prayer and faith moves mountains, but power comes from the Holy Spirit. Zac 4:6

### 3 MAIN TRUTHS FOR THE POWER AND EFFECTIVENESS OF PRAYER

- God has made us a kingdom of priest. Ex 19:6. We are to rule by prayer
- Effective prayers must be directed and empowered by the Holy Spirit. Rm 8:26-27
- The Spirit of God and the Word of God always work together

### My Lifeline To Victory

- Intercessors are often birthed in crisis
- Spiritual realm surrounds us at all times and we were meant to interact in the authority of Christ

### SOME THINGS TO LEARN THROUGH PRAYER

- Heb 6:1 To grow and mature spiritually
- Ps 18:6-7 Deliverance occurs through prayer
- 2 Cor 12:10 Prayer is the ultimate display of weakness
- Mk 9:29 We connect to God through prayer

- Hos 4:6 We cannot be ignorant of the spiritual realm

### **The Basics of Prayer**

#### **HOW DOES PRAYER BEGIN?**

- Begins with God's voice – communication Gen 4:26
- We respond, talk to God in conversation, praise, thanksgiving, singing, dancing, clapping, worshipping
- He is the Word and He connects to us through communication

#### **WAYS GOD CONNECTS WITH US**

- May be an audible voice
- A deep sense within our spirit
- By nature, a rainbow, an animal, anything in nature He will use to communicate
- Visions and dreams
- Directly from His Word
- By a person by action or word
- A deep thought or impression in its presence is known it's not of our own

#### **LEARN TO TRUST GOD'S VOICE**

Jn 5:19 Jesus spoke with His Father from a place of prayer. We too, must develop our prayer life experience. God continues to speak and never stops speaking. We must learn to trust His voice.

- Listening for and learning His voice takes practice
- Prov 3:5-6 Lean not to our own understanding
- Rm 12:2 our mind transformed understands the mind of Christ
- 1 Jn 4:1-5 Try the spirits, learning what is of God and what isn't
- 1 K 19:12 His still small voice. God doesn't yell, but speaks clearly.
- Individual ways God speaks to us, He is a personal God

#### **OUR RESPONSE**

- God wants to hear from us and interested in what we have to say
- He waits for our voice and He responds
- We have influence with God
- He restrains Himself until He's heard from us

Ep 3:20 He will do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think

Gen 18:20; Mk 7:24-30 God will consult with us. We shape our future by what we ask Him to do.

#### **PARTICIPATE IN GOD'S WORK**

- Ask of Him largely Lk 11:9 Ask, Seek, Knock
- God is looking for opportunities to show His goodness and mercy
- Ex 22:30 We stand in the gap for other to God

## **WHAT THE URGE TO INTERCEDE LOOKS AND FEELS LIKE**

- A strong impression or thought upon our heart or mind
- Feel a deep urgency in the gut of our spirit – sinking feeling
- See an image or face of someone or situation
- Experience a physical symptom that you know isn't yours. Someone is sick or injured, or a tingling, etc.

We learn to connect the dots. We understand that something is happening, and figuring out how are we to respond to what we are sensing.

## **INTERCESSION IS A MINISTRY**

It is an extension of Christ's ministry on earth. Heb 7:25; Ep 6:12

## **LET GOD PREPARE YOU**

- Nothing happens outside of prayer
  - "In heaven, God's power is unlimited. But on earth God's power is manifested to the degree that the church prays." Watchman Nee

Is 56:7 "My house shall be called a house of prayer for all nations."

- God cannot move in cities, or nations outside the cooperation of His church
- In the Old Testament prophets stood in the gap
- Now, the church has the mandate to stand in the gap through prayer
- A praying church is powerful and keeps us centered in God's will