

# UNBROKEN

*tapping into the power of Godly habits*



*Marcus Mecum*



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## Introduction

How often have you asked God for something and didn't receive it? In the context of unanswered prayer, Jesus says in Luke 11:

*“Suppose you have a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; a friend of mine on a journey has come to me, and I have no food to offer him.’*

*And suppose the one inside answers, ‘Don’t bother me. The door is already locked, and my children and I are in bed. I can’t get up and give you anything.’*

*I tell you, even though he will not get up and give you the bread because of friendship, yet because of your **shameless audacity** he will surely get up and give you as much as you need.*

*So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.”*

*~ Luke 11:5-10 (emphasis added)*

God doesn't answer prayer simply because you're friends. God responds to prayer because of **shameless audacity**. He responds to **persistence**. In the above text, the friend that knocked on the door essentially said, “I'm not going anywhere until I get my bread.” What if we approached prayer the same way? What if we approached prayer with shameless audacity?

*“This is the law of the burnt offering...the fire shall ever be burning upon the altar; **it shall never go out.**”*

*~ Leviticus 6:9, 13*

God supernaturally lit the fire on the altar. It was the priest's job to keep this fire burning.

So it is with our prayer life. God will often give us a spiritual spark. It is our job to make sure that fire never goes out.

I imagine an attic full of dusty boxes. And these dusty boxes are full of unanswered prayers. Prayers for loved ones to be healed, prayers for financial breakthrough, prayers for favor with an employer. A person that is shameless and audacious in their prayer will pull the unanswered prayers out of their dusty boxes and pray daily, “God here I am again. Day 72 of asking You for a breakthrough. I’m not going to stop knocking. I’m not going away until I get my bread.”

Over these next several weeks, I want to encourage you. Don't let the fire go out. Keep knocking. Keep seeking. Keep asking. Resolve in your spirit that you will approach your prayer time with shameless audacity. Tap into the power of Godly habits and an unbroken prayer life.

# The Three Laws of Unbroken Prayer

## **1. Prayer must be a priority in your life.**

Prayer must be number one in your life. I don't know about you, but my calendar drives a lot of my life. I schedule the things that are important to me, and I make time for them. If prayer is going to be a priority in my life, I have to make time for it. I have to schedule it. Or, I will never have a successful prayer life. Make prayer a priority over these next several weeks.

## **2. Establish your “cool place.”**

On a consistent basis, God would show up in the cool of the day and meet with Adam and Eve. One day, Adam didn't show up. When God notices Adam isn't present, He asks the question, “Where are you?”

You need a consistent place where you meet with the Lord. And just as He did with Adam and Eve, God will meet you in your cool place. Establish your cool place. Establish a time to pray and a place to pray.

## **3. Pray out loud.**

One day Jesus was praying. When he finished praying, one of the disciples said,

*“Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.’ He said to them, ‘When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be Your name, Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, for we also forgive everyone who sins against us. And lead us not into temptation.’”*

Notice the disciples asked Jesus to teach them how to pray after He finished praying. They were moved by

what He was saying. Then, Jesus told them,

*“When you pray, **say...**” Prayers are not meant to be **silent**. They’re meant to be **spoken**. Paul says, “Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.” (Romans 10:17)*

Faith comes by hearing the word of God that is spoken out loud. Pray out loud!

*Marcus L. Heum*

## 7 Things I'm believing God for:

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## My Commitment to Unbroken Prayer

I commit to enter 100 days of unbroken, shameless, and audacious prayer. I commit to the spiritual discipline of scripture reading and fasting throughout these 100 days. My goal is to establish my “cool place”, a time and place where I commune with the Lord each day. I also choose to fast one day a week. I believe that God’s word is true and that I will see Him do miracles in my life during these next 100 days.

I expect breakthroughs on days 3, 7, 14, 21, 30, 40, 100, and any other time that the Holy Spirit wishes to move. I give the Lord permission to wake me at least one night a week to pray unto Him. I begin this devotion today fully trusting that the Lord will change my life, in Jesus’ name.

**Signature**



# One

*May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.*

*Romans 15:13*

Have you ever received bad news, but somehow, deep down, you had a feeling that everything was going to be okay? It's almost like you have an overwhelming sense of peace, even when it isn't merited. Whether you knew it or not, that was the Holy Spirit working in your life.

When you don't have enough faith on your own, the Holy Spirit can provide you with the faith you need to make it through even the most difficult of trials. He will empower you and give you peace. Be open to receiving His help.

The only way you can receive the help of the Holy Spirit is by spending time in prayer. Prayer prepares you to hear from the Holy Spirit and receive His gifts. The more time you spend in prayer, the more clearly you hear His voice. The more clearly you hear His voice, the less often you mistake it for your own. Nothing is too difficult for the Holy Spirit. He wants to empower you daily. He not only wants to do great things for you, but He also wants to do great things through you.

## Today's Point of Prayer and Intercession

### Pray for the power of the Holy Spirit

Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these because I am going to the Father.

*John 14:12*

All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

*Acts 2:4*

And he has filled him with the Spirit of God, with wisdom, with understanding, with knowledge, and with all kinds of skills—

*Exodus 35:31*

And the disciples were filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit.

*Acts 13:52*

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

*Romans 15:13*

But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

*Galatians 5:18*

The Spirit of the Lord will rest on him—  
the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding,  
the Spirit of counsel and of might,  
the Spirit of the knowledge and fear of the Lord—

*Isaiah 11:2*

## Two

*Call to me, and I will answer you and will tell you great and hidden things that you have not known.*

*Jeremiah 33:3*

You will often feel spiritual apathy when you are under a spiritual attack. You'll have this sense that you want to draw back from the things of God. You will become lazy and begin to lose your spiritual passion. You'll feel like you want to take a "spiritual vacation."

In these seasons, you must recognize that you are under a spiritual attack. When you are under these attacks, you must decide that you will do the opposite. Make the decision that you are going to dig deeper in your faith. Commit to prayer and ask God to turn you away from spiritual apathy. Open up God's Word and lean into the things of God like never before. Lean into prayer and worship like never before. Make the decision to seek God and pray against the spiritual attack!

## Today's Point of Prayer and Intercession

Ask God to help you bear fruit in the midst of a spiritual attack

He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful.

*John 15:2*

This is to my Father's glory that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.

*John 15:8*

If it bears fruit next year, fine! If not, then cut it down.

*Luke 13:9*

The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life, and the one who is wise saves lives.

*Proverbs 11:30*

For when I preach the gospel, I cannot boast since I am compelled to preach. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel!

*1 Corinthians 9:16*

But the word of the Lord endures forever. And this is the word that was preached to you.

*1 Peter 1:25*

He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation."

*Mark 16:15*

# Three

*Come in, O blessed of the Lord! Why do you stand outside? For I have prepared the house and a place for the camels.*

*Genesis 24:31*

In the verse above, Laban asks Abraham's servant, "why do you stand outside?" The servant had already received an invitation from Rebekah to come inside and enjoy the blessings waiting for him.

How many of us today are standing outside of God's blessing, outside of God's will, and outside of God's destiny for our lives? The invitation has gone out. We've been invited inside to receive all that we need and more! The Bible says you can boldly come to the throne of grace for whatever you need.

In Luke 4, Jesus was inside the house, but some were standing on the outside. They tore the roof off to get inside. Talk about push-through prayer! We stand outside because we spend all our time looking at the limitations. But if you'll take the ceiling off, take the lid off, take the limitations off and push through with prayer, Jesus can and will be there for you!

Whatever you're up against today, you need to push through with prayer.

If you're in a financial dilemma, push through in prayer.

If you have hit the wall spiritually, push through in prayer.

Everything begins to turn around when you push through in prayer with your job, your marriage, or with your children.

If you can push through with prayer, you can push through in every area of your life.



## Today's Point of Prayer and Intercession

**Declare that all your financial needs will be met**

That there were no needy persons among them. For from time to time, those who owned land or houses sold them brought the money from the sales.

*Acts 4:34*

Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.

*Joshua 1:8*

May those who delight in my vindication shout for joy and gladness; may they always say, "The Lord be exalted, who delights in the well-being of his servant."

*Psalms 35:27*

The blessing of the Lord brings wealth, without painful toil for it.

*Proverbs 10:22*

But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

*Matthew 6:33*

And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.

*Philippians 4:19*

## Four

*And for three days, he was without sight and neither ate nor drank. Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, “Ananias.” And he said, “Here I am, Lord.” And the Lord said to him, “Rise and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying.”*

*Acts 9:9-11*

Prayer is an announcement. Jesus announces, “Behold, Paul is praying.” Not only did Heaven notice Paul’s prayer, but Heaven announces, “Behold, Paul is praying.”

Also, notice the great detail that Jesus calls out regarding Paul’s prayer life. He tells Ananias to go to the street called “Straight” to the house of Judas. “When you get there, you’re looking for a man of Tarsus named ‘Saul’ for behold, he is praying.” Jesus knew the exact location Paul was praying.

You may be going through a season where God seems silent. May I remind you that Heaven notices your prayer and even announces your prayer? Heaven even knows your exact location, just as He did with Paul. Heaven notices when you pray and where you pray. Imagine Heaven announcing, “Behold, they pray.”

*Today’s point of prayer*



## Today's Point of Prayer and Intercession

**Pray that God would dispatch Angels to minister to you and your family**

For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways;

*Psalm 91:11*

In speaking of the angels, he says, “He makes his angels spirits, and his servants flames of fire.”

*Hebrews 1:7*

He makes winds his messengers, flames of fire his servants.

*Psalm 104:4*

Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing, some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it.

*Hebrews 13:2*

Praise the Lord, all his heavenly hosts, you his servants who do his will.

*Psalm 103:21*

“When he came near the den, he called to Daniel in an anguished voice, “Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you serve continually, been able to rescue you from the lions?”

*Daniel 6:20*

Then the devil left him, and angels came and attended him.

*Matthew 4:11*

## Five

*For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters.*

*Romans 8:29*

The Bible says we have been conformed to the image of His Son. Everyone has an “image” of themselves. Everyone sees themselves a certain way. And sometimes, we need to have a little “mirror offering” – we need to trade our image of ourselves into the image God has of us.

If you see yourself as an addict, failure, or a disappointment, I want you to give a mirror offering to the Lord and break that image over your life. In exchange, I want you to declare God’s image over your life. When you look at yourself, you’ve got to look at yourself through the water of His Word, the power of His Spirit, and the blood of Jesus.

You are more than a conqueror through Christ Jesus (see Romans 8:37). You can do all things through Christ who strengthens you (see Philippians 4:13). Not through your own might, not through your own image, but through His image, you can do things that you’ve never dreamed or imagined if you’ll look at yourself through the image that He has of you.

Declare God’s image over your life today. Ask God to help you see yourself how He sees you!

*Today’s point of prayer*



## Today's Point of Prayer and Intercession

### Repent of sins, unforgiveness, and bitterness

For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. 15 But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.

*Matthew 6:14-15*

He refreshes my soul.  
He guides me along the right paths  
for his name's sake.

*Psalms 23:3*

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!

*2 Corinthians 5:17*

God made him who had no sin to be sin for us so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

*2 Corinthians 5:21*

We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.

*2 Corinthians 10:5*

Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

*Acts 2:38*

*Three different times I begged the Lord to take it away. Each time He said, "My grace is all you need. My power works best in weakness." So now I am glad to boast about my weaknesses so that the power of Christ can work through me.*

*2 Corinthians 12:8-9*

We know in the verse above that Paul is in Heaven, and he's standing before the throne of God. He was taken up to the "third Heaven" – past the Earth's atmosphere, the clouds, and the sun, moon, and stars. And Paul asks the Lord three times to remove the thorn from his flesh. He says, "I've got this thorn in my flesh, and I want you to deliver me from it. I want you to help me in this area. It's creating pain; it's creating heartache; it's creating all these issues." God's response?

My grace is sufficient for you.

In other words, it's possible that some of the "thorns" in life aren't always removed. But this is encouraging! Because the great Apostle Paul had thorns that weren't removed! Some thorns can't be removed by reading your Bible more, by praying more, by being more spiritual. Some thorns are here to stay. But praise God that His grace is sufficient for you!

Here's the good news - for the believer, we have forever. God's kingdom will far outlive us - it's forever. Meaning, this is as bad as it gets for a Child of God. It only gets better for the believer because we live with a concept of forever, not just what's happening now. On the other side of the spectrum, if you don't know

Jesus, this is as good as it gets. It only gets worse. I want to encourage you today to say a prayer that includes forever. Say a prayer that doesn't just include the here and now. Instead, tell Him, "God, I want Your kingdom. Whatever I'm living for, I want to keep forever in mind." Then think about someone who doesn't know Jesus. Intercede and keep "forever" in mind for them. Pray for them!

## Today's Point of Prayer and Intercession

Pray for your nation

Pray for your president

Pray for revival to come to America

Pray for your local leaders

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:

May those who love you be secure.

*Psalm 122:6*

I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession, and thanksgiving be made for all people— for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good, and pleases God our Savior,

*1 Timothy 2:1-3*

Brothers and sisters, my heart's desire and prayer to God for the Israelites is that they may be saved.

*Romans 10:1*

Restore us, Lord God Almighty;  
make your face shine on us,  
that we may be saved.

*Psalm 80:19*

“The Spirit of the Lord is on me,  
because he has anointed me  
to proclaim good news to the poor.  
He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners  
and recovery of sight for the blind,  
to set the oppressed free,  
to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.”

*Luke 4:18-19*

# Seven

*“While Zechariah was in the sanctuary, an angel of the Lord appeared to him, standing to the right of the incense altar. Zechariah was shaken and overwhelmed with fear when he saw him. But the angel said, ‘Don’t be afraid, Zechariah! God has heard your prayer. Your wife, Elizabeth, will give you a son, and you are to name him John.’”*

*Luke 1:11-13*

In Luke 1, Zechariah and his wife, Elizabeth, were righteous in God’s eyes. They were careful to obey the Lord’s commandments. In other words, they seemingly “did all the right things” - they loved God, they read their Bible, they prayed... But, the Bible says they were unable to have kids, and they were getting older.

The Bible says that Zechariah is in the temple serving God one day, and an angel of the Lord shows up! The angel tells Zechariah, “Your prayer has been heard.” A Greek language specialist, William Barkley, translates that scripture from the original language to say, “The prayer that you no longer pray has been heard.”

Meaning, there are prayers that all of us have that maybe “we no longer pray” - perhaps we’ve given up and resolved in our hearts that “it will always be this way.” I want to encourage you today. The prayer you no longer pray has been heard! I’m praying for prodigal sons and daughters, prodigal moms and dads, prodigal friends, and coworkers this season. Invite someone to church this Sunday, and let’s love them back to life!

## Today's Point of Prayer and Intercession

Pray for your church family

Pray for your pastor

Pray for the pastoral staff

Pray for your church's finances

Pray for revival in the next gen ministries

Pray for revival in your city

Pray for revival in your school or workplace

As for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the Lord by failing to pray for you. And I will teach you the way that is good and right.

*1 Samuel 12:23*

So the word of God spread. The number of disciples in Jerusalem increased rapidly, and a large number of priests became obedient to the faith.

*Acts 6:7*

He replied, "Because you have so little faith. Truly I tell you, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you."

*Matthew 17:20-21*

The Lord is far from the wicked,  
but he hears the prayer of the righteous.

*Proverbs 15:29*

After Job had prayed for his friends, the Lord restored his fortunes and gave him twice as much as he had before.

*Job 42:10*

# Eight

*Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes.*

*James 4:14*

Our prayers need to be big enough to focus on future generations. Your prayers should be big enough that only future generations will get to enjoy its fulfillment. Be okay with the fact that there are some prayers that you pray that you will never see realized.

In Barcelona, there is a cathedral named La Sagrada Familia that was scheduled to take 200 years to complete. Antoni Gaudi, the architect for the structure, was once asked, “Does it bother you that you won’t be alive when this building is completed?” Gaudi responded by saying, “I don’t mind. My Boss isn’t in a hurry.”

What would happen if we approached prayer with the same mentality? God’s Kingdom far outlives us. James 4:14 describes our life as just a vapor. Our lives are brief. We blink, and then it’s gone. Our prayers need to be focused on more than just what happens in our lifetime. Our prayers need to be bigger than us.

Take some time to pray some big prayers today. Pray prayers today that you won’t even see realized in your lifetime and will echo out into future generations!

## Today's Point of Prayer and Intercession

### Pray for wisdom and direction

If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.

*James 1:5*

Solomon's wisdom was greater than the wisdom of all the people of the East, and greater than all the wisdom of Egypt.

*1 Kings 4:30*

The Queen of the South will rise at the judgment with this generation and condemn it, for she came from the ends of the earth to listen to Solomon's wisdom, and now something greater than Solomon is here.

*Matthew 12:42*

The beginning of wisdom is this: Get wisdom. Though it cost all, you have get understanding.

*Proverbs 4:7*

But they could not stand up against the wisdom the Spirit gave him as he spoke. We do, however, speak a message of wisdom among the mature, but not the wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are coming to nothing.

*1 Corinthian 2:6*

Wisdom makes one wise person more powerful than ten rulers in a city.

*Ecclesiastes 7:19*

# Nine

*When my soul fainted within me, I remembered the Lord: and my prayer came in unto thee, into thine holy temple. They that observe lying vanities forsake their own mercy.*

*Jonah 2:7-8*

Jonah is in the belly of a fish, and he prays to God, “I know you have heard me. Anything else is lying vanities.” Jonah prayed and had faith that God heard him. He prayed unto God with confidence that He would deliver him from his situation. He prayed that God would hear his prayer, and anything short of deliverance is lying vanities.

Even in the lowest place, Jonah decided that he wouldn’t take on a critical spirit. Jonah decided that anything short of God being with him and for him was a lie. Jonah decided that God was going to turn his situation around and that He was going to work everything out for his good.

Get that in your spirit today. Pray with confidence and expectation today that God is with you and for you. He is with you in your marriage. He is with you in your workplace. He is with you in your mistakes. He is with you in your failures. He is with you, and anything else is the lying vanities in your life!

## Today's Point of Prayer and Intercession

### Bind demonic spirits that are attacking your home

I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you.

*Luke 10:19*

“The Spirit of the Lord is on me,  
because he has anointed me  
to proclaim good news to the poor.  
He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners  
and recovery of sight for the blind,  
to set the oppressed free,  
to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.”

*Luke 4:18-19*

Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

*James 4:7*

The seventy-two returned with joy and said, “Lord, even the demons submit to us in your name.”

*Luke 10:17*

For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds.

*2 Corinthians 10:3-4*

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power.

*Ephesians 6:10*

*After Ehud, Shamgar, son of Anath, rescued Israel.  
He once killed 600 Philistines with an ox goad.*

*Judges 3:31*

Think about the idea of 600-to-one odds. The scripture says 600 people are trying to assassinate Shamgar. How did Shamgar pull this off? How did he beat the odds that were stacked against him?

It seems as though Shamgar started where he was. He was on a farm in a field. And he seemingly turns a cornfield into a battlefield. Wouldn't you agree that the temptation in life for most of us is to say, "If I was somewhere else. If I was in 'this' place or 'that' place, then life would be so much better."

But Shamgar simply started where he was. He didn't have a position of power. He didn't have a military background. He realized that if anything was going to change in his life concerning his future, concerning his destiny, and concerning his purpose, he couldn't sit around and wait for some big opportunity. He couldn't sit around and wait for some miraculous door to open up. He had to start right where he was.

Imagine what your life could be like if you could get ahold of that today. If you could begin to say, "I'm going to start right where I am. It's not desirable. It's not what I wanted. It's not what I hoped I would have. But here I am, as difficult as it is, I'm going to start right where I am."

Many people don't pray simply because they don't know where to start. Can I help you out? You don't

need a theology degree to pray to God. You don't need to attend a seminary school to commune with the Lord. I want to encourage you to take a page from the book of Shamgar today. Simply start right where you are!



## Today's Point of Prayer and Intercession

Pray for your church family

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Pray for revival in your school or workplace

Now my eyes will be open, and my ears attentive to the prayers offered in this place.

*2 Chronicles 7:15*

So Peter was kept in prison, but the church was earnestly praying to God for him.

*Acts 12:5*

While I was speaking and praying, confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel and making my request to the Lord my God for his holy hill—

*Daniel 9:20*

We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers.

*1 Thessalonians 1:2*

Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.

*1 Thessalonians 5:11*

Again, truly I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by my Father in Heaven.

*Matthew 18:19*

*Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the Lord God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the Lord God among the trees of the garden. But the Lord God called to the man, "Where are you?"*

*Genesis 3:8-9*

Jesus once described Himself as the vine and us as the branches. What is a branch without the vine? The vine is the source. A branch can't live when it's disconnected from the source.

In Genesis, when God created Adam and Eve, we see His original intent with humanity. He intended to have a consistent and ongoing relationship with His creation. He didn't want to be a distant creator or a far-off God. So, regularly, He would show up in the cool of the day and meet with Adam and Eve.

On one particular day, Adam and Eve didn't show up. When God sees that Adam and Eve aren't present, He asks the question, "Where are you?" He asked that question because Adam and Eve disconnected from the vine. They disconnected from the source.

The enemy deceived Adam and Eve, and they were told that if they ate the fruit from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, they would no longer need God. Eve reached for the fruit and disconnected it from the tree. The moment she pulls and disconnects the fruit from its source, Adam and Eve are disconnected from their source.

What was their source? Regular, consistent times where they would show up and commune with God. We need to establish our “cool place.” If you do not have a time and place to pray, you will not pray.

What is keeping you from a regular, consistent time and place to commune with God? Think of those things that keep you from your “cool place” and ask God to remove the “fruit” of the temptations that keep you from Him.

## Today's Point of Prayer and Intercession

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## Twelve

*So Eli told Samuel, “Go and lie down, and if he calls you, say, ‘Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.’”*

*So, Samuel went and lay down in his place. The Lord came and stood there, calling as at the other times, “Samuel! Samuel!”*

*Then Samuel said, “Speak, for your servant is listening.” And the Lord said to Samuel: “See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make the ears of everyone who hears about it tingle.”*

*1 Samuel 3:9-11*

God called out to Samuel specifically. He called out to Samuel personally. God’s voice is personal and specific. And, God wants to speak to you. One of the most important things I can do as your pastor is teach you that God wants to speak to you.

One of the saddest stories in scripture is when Israel looks at Moses and says, “Moses, you can go up the mountain and hear from God for us.” (see Exodus 20) Does God speak through His children to His other children? Absolutely! But God wants to speak to you personally and specifically.

Jesus said, “My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me.” (John 10:27)

Jesus is the Shepherd. If you’re following Him, then you are His sheep. And, what do sheep do? They hear the Shepherd’s voice. I know many people don’t believe God speaks. Who are you going to listen to? The unbeliever? Or Jesus?

“If God doesn’t speak today, then the greatest disservice we could ever do to people is to tell them that they can have a personal relationship with God”  
~ Dallas Willard

Take some time this morning and listen. God wants to speak to you specifically and personally. Don’t expect someone else to hear from God for you. Your story is your story. Your history is your history. Your intellect is your intellect. Your personality is your personality. You are His sheep, and you can hear His voice! Spend some time praying to the Lord today, knowing that no one can hear from God for you like you can!



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# Thirteen

*You desire but do not have, so you kill. You covet, but you cannot get what you want, so you quarrel and fight. You do not have because you do not ask God.*

*James 4:2*

There is no such thing as a failed prayer in Heaven. Did you know that your prayers never die? When you say a prayer, it immediately becomes eternal. You have never prayed a prayer that God has not answered.

That doesn't mean God gives you everything you want every time you ask for it. He is a good Father, not an irresponsible Father. God knows that if He said "yes" to some of the things that we are praying for, it could be harmful to our lives. He knows that He can't give us everything we ask for. God always answers prayer, but sometimes His answer is "no."

Have you ever looked back on a prayer that God answered and been thankful that His answer was "no"?

Other times God's answer is "wait" or "not yet."

Seven times in John 15, Jesus tells the Apostles that it will be done for them if they ask anything in His name. Have you ever noticed how often Jesus repeats himself? To take it a step further, have you ever considered why Jesus said it repeatedly? The critical question is not, "Does God always answer prayer?" It's, "Are we praying?"

Are we taking the time to ask Him? The Bible says in James 4:2 that we have not because we ask not. God desperately wants to be in a relationship with you. Bring your requests to the Lord. The most important thing is that we are praying to our heavenly Father.

## Today's Point of Prayer and Intercession

Ask God for His love, favor, protection, and peace to rest upon you

“Great peace have those who love your law, and nothing can make them stumble.”

*Psalm 119:165*

Surely, Lord, you bless the righteous; you surround them with your favor as with a shield.

*Psalm 5:12*

And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and man.

*Luke 2:52*

Now God had caused the official to show favor and compassion to Daniel.

*Daniel 1:9*

Though he may stumble, he will not fall, for the Lord upholds him with his hand.

*Psalm 37:24*

For the Lord will be at your side and will keep your foot from being snared.

*Proverbs 3:26*

For I am with you, and no one is going to attack and harm you because I have many people in this city.”

*Acts 18:10*

# Fourteen

*And one thing more: Prepare a guest room for me because I hope to be restored to you in answer to your prayers.*

*Philemon 1:17-22*

There's a way to prepare for the miracles in your life. The story of Jesus' birth is somewhat famous for forgetting to make room for the miracle. The innkeeper said to Mary and Joseph that there was no more room. He didn't prepare a room; he didn't think that the miracle would look like a rugged carpenter or a teenage girl that was nine months pregnant. He didn't think the miracle could look like what it did or smell like the stench of a long journey. They showed up, and the miracle was right there at his doorstep! But, the innkeeper never prepared the room, so he missed out on the opportunity to experience the greatest miracle the world has ever known.

I don't know about you, but I want to make sure that I prepare my life for the miraculous. I want to make room for the miraculous in my life. I want to make room for my prayers to be answered. I want to make room for my relationships to be restored. I want to make room for God to be present in my home. Allow yourself to make room for the miracle in your life!

## Today's Point of Prayer and Intercession

Speak the healing hand of God and pray for a long life

Crowds gathered also from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing their sick and those tormented by impure spirits, and all of them were healed.

*Acts 5:16*

So they set out and went from village to village, proclaiming the good news and healing people everywhere.

*Luke 9:6*

But for you who revere my name, the sun of righteousness will rise with healing in its rays. And you will go out and frolic like well-fed calves.

*Malachi 4:2*

But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds, we are healed.

*Isaiah 53:5*

With long life, I will satisfy him and show him my salvation.

*Psalms 91:16*

You will come to the grave in full vigor, like sheaves gathered in season.

*Job 5:26*

You, however, will go to your ancestors in peace and be buried at a good old age.

*Genesis 15:15*

# Fifteen

*Then Peter came to him and asked, “Lord, how often should I forgive someone who sins against me? Seven times?”*

*“No, not seven times,” Jesus replied, “but seventy times seven!”*

*Matthew 12:21-22*

God’s forgiveness -

Not only frees you from your sin

Not only closes the distance and brings you near

Not only tears down the wall of hostility

But, in that and through that, God also enables you to give that forgiveness to others.

God calls you and me to tear down the walls of hostility between other people and us. These are the same walls He tore down when they existed between God and us.

Jesus called this “forgiveness multiplied.” Matthew 18 says, not only do you forgive, but you forgive seven times seventy. Seven, the number of perfection.

Will you grab hold of God’s perfect forgiveness today? Take it and multiply it, not by you, but by HIS perfect forgiveness. We’re not just called to forgiveness; we’re called to a type of forgiveness that’s visibly multiplied in our life. Pray to God and ask Him to reveal to you who you need to forgive today!

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# Sixteen

*He that believeth in me, as the scripture has said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.*

*John 7:38*

God has put something at the core of who you are that is more powerful and more supernatural than anything else on the planet. He has not given you a similar spirit but the same Spirit that raised Christ from the dead. God wants that divine life at the core of who you are to flow out and bring life to others.

On the other hand, Satan does not want you to live this kind of life. He wants you to feel isolated and alone so he can eliminate the life flow that God has made available through relationships with other believers. The battle to connect with others is a battle that every believer must win.

I want to encourage you today to find people that have a close walk with God. Get around them and let the life in them begin to flow into your life. Paul said, "Follow me as I follow Christ." You need relationships with other Christians. You will face specific battles where you will need another believer to speak into your life.

Do you have relationships with other strong believers? How often do you meet with them? A good place to start is to pray that God will give you a Godly connection with a mature Christian to help you in your faith!

*Today's point of prayer*

## Today's Point of Prayer and Intercession

Pray for your church family

Pray for your pastor

Pray for the pastoral staff

Pray for your church's finances

Pray for revival in the next gen ministries

Pray for revival in your city

Pray for revival in your school or workplace

As for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the Lord by failing to pray for you. And I will teach you the way that is good and right.

*1 Samuel 12:23*

So the word of God spread. The number of disciples in Jerusalem increased rapidly, and a large number of priests became obedient to the faith.

*Acts 6:7*

He replied, "Because you have so little faith. Truly I tell you, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you."

*Matthew 17:20-21*

The Lord is far from the wicked,  
but he hears the prayer of the righteous.

*Proverbs 15:29*

After Job had prayed for his friends, the Lord restored his fortunes and gave him twice as much as he had before.

*Job 42:10*

# Seventeen

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*John 4:24*

We cannot see the Holy Spirit through our natural eyes, and we cannot hear Him through our natural ears. Consider the wind. You can't see the wind, and you can't control it. In the same way, you can't physically see the Holy Spirit, and you can't control Him. In order to get to know the Holy Spirit, you have to recognize He is a spirit, and you must communicate with Him through your spirit.

It is difficult for us to understand what a spirit is because we live in the natural. We are taught to trust our physical senses - what we can hear, see, smell, taste and feel. We fear anything we can't process through our five senses. But, if you want a relationship with the Holy Spirit, you must start developing and listening to your spiritual senses.

Only when you start spending time with the Holy Spirit will you start hearing Him clearly. Intimacy with the Holy Spirit only comes after communing with Him regularly. The Holy Spirit wants to pull the curtain back so that you can begin to see God. The Holy Spirit wants to lead you and use you to minister to each person you encounter today. He is speaking to you. Will you lean in and listen in your prayer time today?

## Today's Point of Prayer and Intercession

### Pray for the power of the Holy Spirit

The Spirit of the Lord will rest on him—  
the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding,  
the Spirit of counsel and of might,  
the Spirit of the knowledge and fear of the Lord—

*Isaiah 11:2*

I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you.

*Luke 10:19*

Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.

*John 14:12-14*

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

*Acts 1:8*

Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it. And God has placed in the church first of all apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, of helping, of guidance, and of different kinds of tongues.

*1 Corinthians 12:27-28*

# Eighteen

*I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand.  
Remember my chains. Grace, be with you.*

*Colossians 4:18*

In Acts 16, the Bible tells the story of Paul and Silas, who found themselves locked in a prison, bound in chains. Midnight rolls around, and Paul and Silas begin to pray, sing, and praise God amid their imprisonment.

As they were praising God, the earth began to shake. Every prison door opened. Every chain was set loose. Everyone was set free.

I want to encourage you today to praise God in the midst of your problem. Take a moment this morning – put on your favorite worship song and declare that God is greater than your chains. Just like Paul and Silas, I believe your praise will cause doors to open, chains to loosen, and freedom to come in Jesus' Name!

## Today's Point of Prayer and Intercession

### Praise and worship the Lord

I will sing of the Lord's great love forever;  
with my mouth, I will make your faithfulness known  
through all generations.

*Psalm 89:1*

Praise him for his acts of power;  
praise him for his surpassing greatness.  
Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet,  
praise him with the harp and lyre,  
praise him with timbrel and dancing,  
praise him with the strings and pipe,  
praise him with the clash of cymbals,  
praise him with resounding cymbals.  
Let everything that has breath praise the Lord.  
Praise the Lord.

*Psalm 150:2-6*

With my mouth, I will greatly extol the Lord;  
in the great throng of worshipers, I will praise him.

*Psalm 109:30*

Praise the Lord, my soul;  
all my inmost being, praise his holy name.  
Praise the Lord, my soul,  
and forget not all his benefits—  
who forgives all your sins  
and heals all your diseases,  
who redeems your life from the pit  
and crowns you with love and compassion,  
who satisfies your desires with good things  
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

*Psalm 103:1-5*

# Nineteen

*“When an impure spirit comes out of a person, it goes through arid places seeking rest and does not find it. Then it says, ‘I will return to the house I left.’”*

*Luke 11:24*

A generational spirit is a demonic spirit that will attach itself to a family. When these demonic spirits gain entrance into a family, they like to stay in that particular family. In the text we just read above, the Bible teaches us that when Jesus cast evil spirits out of a man, that the spirits cried out and said, “Don’t make us leave this region.” Pay attention to what they wanted. They wanted to stay in the same territory.

This is the way the enemy works. When an enemy starts to work in an area, whether it’s a region or a family, they like to stay in the same territory.

The scripture also warns us that an evil spirit that leaves a home will go out into dry places and find a place to “rest” but eventually return to the house it left (see Luke 11). The enemy knows how to work on your home and your family. Maybe it was a spirit of adultery that hit your great grandfather, grandfather, or even your father. That same spirit can follow your family, but you have to be on guard for that familiar spirit. It’s looking to destroy your future in the same way it has affected the previous generations.

I’m not saying this to scare you or to evoke fear. These generational spirits have no power over the Holy Spirit that lives within you. There is a way to combat these generational spirits. James 4:7 says, “Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.”

I believe you are changing the narrative for your family and painting a new picture for your home in Jesus' Name! Submit yourself to God and break the generational curses over your family!



## Today's Point of Prayer and Intercession

### Bind demonic spirits that are attacking your home

The seventy-two returned with joy and said, "Lord, even the demons submit to us in your name."

*Luke 10:17*

For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds.

*2 Corinthians 10:3-4*

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power.

*Ephesians 6:10*

But I have raised you up for this very purpose, that I might show you my power and that my name might be proclaimed in all the earth.

*Exodus 9:16*

Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made your good confession in the presence of many witnesses.

*1 Timothy 6:12*

The Lord will grant that the enemies who rise up against you will be defeated before you. They will come at you from one direction but flee from you in seven.

*Deuteronomy 28:7*

*You intended to harm me, but God intended it all for good. He brought me to this position so I could save the lives of many people.*

*Genesis 50:20*

Enemies have a way of promoting you. God uses what the enemy meant for evil and turns it for your good. In fact, God is so good at bringing “good” out of “evil” that some people think God was the one that brought the evil in the first place.

For example, someone that has gone through a bad doctor’s report and comes out better and stronger because of it will often credit God for bringing the bad doctor’s report in the first place. They’d say, “God wanted me to get cancer because I wouldn’t be the person I am today if I didn’t go through that.” God didn’t want you to get cancer. He’s just really good at His job. He’s really good at turning an evil thing into a good thing. It was the ENEMY that meant evil...not God.

God will use your enemies. He doesn’t create them, but He will use them to take you to new levels. He’ll often use your enemies to catapult you to success. If you’re facing a bad doctor’s report right now, if you just lost your job, if you’re struggling right now, it’s a sign. It’s a sign that greatness is in your grasp. Any enemy you face, any battle you’re in, is just a sign that God is preparing you for something even greater.

David is who he is because of his enemy. Imagine David’s story if Goliath was just a small, tiny, little enemy. When we read David’s story, it was the size

of David's enemy that inspires us. God chooses an enemy to match the size of your destiny. God doesn't just look at where you are and give you an enemy to fit your current situation. No, God looks at where He wants to take you and often uses your enemy to get you there. He wants to do so much more with you! Don't quit! Don't give up! Fight the good fight! Pray that He would take what the enemy meant for evil in your life and turn it for your good!

## Today's Point of Prayer and Intercession

Pray that God would dispatch Angels to minister to you and your family

“In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

*Luke 15:10*

Praise the Lord, all his heavenly hosts,  
you his servants who do his will.

*Psalms 103:21*

He makes winds his messengers,  
flames of fire his servants.

*Psalms 104:4*

Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing, some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it.

*Hebrews 13:2*

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*Psalms 103:21*

When he came near the den, he called to Daniel in an anguished voice, “Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you serve continually, been able to rescue you from the lions?”

*Daniel 6:20*

Then the devil left him, and angels came and attended him.

*Matthew 4:11*

# Twenty One

*“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.”*

*Jeremiah 29:11*

There are a few things you should never compromise in your life. One of those things you should never compromise is God’s plan for your life.

Did you know God always has a plan? And often that plan starts with a little instruction:

- He tells Joshua to march around Jericho
- He tells Noah to build the ark
- He tells the disciples to throw out the nets one more time.

Jeremiah 29:11 tells us that God has a plan for you. Think about that. God has a unique plan for you. He knows the plan He has for you – but do you know it? One of the amazing things about God is that He had His plan for you in mind long before you were even born. Jeremiah 1:5 tells us:

*“Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you, before you were born, I set you apart...”*

Don’t compromise on the plan God has for you. Give your life to God’s plan. I promise you won’t regret it! Ask Him to reveal to you what His plan is for your life!

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