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LECTURE 7 – PROPHETIC PRAYING

MEMORY VERSE: Habakkuk 2:1- *“I will stand upon my watch, and set me upon the tower, and will watch to see what he will say unto me, and what I shall answer when I am reprov’d.”*

BIBLE TEXT: Psalm 5:3; Psalm 85:8; Galatians 2:2

INTRODUCTION: True prophetic praying is the sincere, sensible and affectionate pouring out of our heart and soul to God through Christ with the strength and assistance of the Holy Spirit for such things as God has promised or according to His word for the good of the church with submission in faith to the will of God.

The following are the seven pre-requisites of true prophetic praying:

1. It is the sincere pouring out of soul to God – Ps. 66:17, Jer. 29:13
2. It must be sincere and rational pouring out of soul to God – Ps. 103:1-5, Phil. 4:6
3. It is to be an affectionate pouring out of soul to God through Christ – Ps. 31:1, 42:1-5, Ps. 62:8, Ps. 71:1; John 14:13-14
4. It must be by the strength and assistance of the Holy Spirit - Rom. 8:26
5. It must be for things that God has promised which are made known in His word. The spirit and the word must both direct the manner and matter of prophetic praying.
6. It is to be for the good of the church, God honouring, Christ advancing and for the benefit of the people of Christ.
7. It must submit to the will of God - Matt. 6:10; 1John 5:14-15.

Holy Spirit and the word of God are very important means of prophetic praying Acts 2, Acts 6:4. Prophetic praying involves the use of

revelation given by the Holy Spirit at the place of prayer. It is prayer to God for His purposes and plan to come to fruition.

It involves waiting for direction of God before launching into dialogue with Him. It is more authoritative than standard prayer. Any Christians that is spirit filled can pray prophetically.

TYPES OF PROPHETIC PRAYER

1. The Holy Spirit may direct you while you are praying. The spirit guides and gives direction.
2. There may be prophetic insight before prayer - prophetic guidance or personal prophesy.
3. You can be engaged in listening prayer i.e. taking time to hear from God.
4. It can come during intercession on a matter or for a person.
5. It may come spontaneously as the Holy Spirit leads during prayer.

THE ROLE OF THE WORD OF GOD IN PROPHETIC PRAYING

1. The word of God reveals the heart of God over issues and can form basis of prayer.
2. The word of God reveals God and sheds light for praying.
3. The word of God purifies motives and thoughts in the heart of men and allows clear revelation.

4. The word of God emboldens the heart and energises faith in God.
5. The word of God ignites the spirit of God in the heart of the person praying.

TO DEVELOP THE POWER OF PROPHETIC PRAYING

1. Be a true child of God - John 10:15-16
2. Be diligent in searching the scriptures, obey and let your life pattern after them - John 5:38
3. Let the word of God dwell in you richly- Col.3:16, Heb. 10:16-17
4. Cultivate the habit of pray-reading the scripture
5. Cultivate intimate relationship with God, Jesus Christ and Holy Spirit through quality quiet time -John 17:3; Phil. 3:10
6. Renew your mind daily through the reading of the word of God -Rom. 12:2
7. Keep a daily journal of revelations and the results of the prayer
8. Be ready to see God glorified
9. Practice conversational prayer regularly
10. Learn to shut the world out and be silent before Him
11. Be patient for answer from God

BENEFITS OF PROPHETIC PRAYING

1. It strengthens the faith of the person involved
2. It can be used in spiritual warfare by Christians

3. Fosters intimate relationship with God -2 Cor.13:14

4. Helps to pray with authority and faith -1 John 5:14-15

5. Helps to pray in agreement with God's purposes- Matt. 6:10

6. It facilitate miracles - James 5:17-18; Luke 6:12-13; John 5:19.

7. It helps sharpen prophetic gift - John 10:27.

HINDRANCES TO PROPHETIC PRAYING

1. Dullness of hearing the voice and word of God - Heb. 4:7.
2. Lack of diligence in the reading, studying, meditation and doing the word of God - Heb.5:11-14.
3. Lack of obedience to the Holy Spirit
4. Living a filthy spiritual life.
5. Fear of men – 2 Timothy 1:7.

CONCLUSION:

It is important to be expectant and encouraged after prophetic praying and not be anxious or frustrated at all. We must never place our trust in man but in God at the place of prophetic praying. Prophetic praying is a gift for all true children of God and a weapon in spiritual warfare. It minimizes if not total remove dissipation of energy at the place of prayer. It is the basis of authority of ease in spiritual warfare.

PRAYER POINTS

1. Holy Spirit empower my prayer life afresh, in the name of Jesus.
2. Power to prevail at the place of prayer fall on me, in Jesus' name.
3. My spirit man receive the oil of revelational power, in the name of Jesus.