

Restoration and The Power of Prayer

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Testimony Part 2 & Why Pray - 2018 Celebrate Recovery & Prayer Assignment

WHY PRAY?

1. Find a secret place to be alone with the Lord and begin to talk with Him.

Matthew 6:6

But you, when you pray, go into your room, and when you have shut your door, pray to your Father who *is* in the secret *place*; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly.

Video on the "Prayer that is Pleasing to the Lord" by David Wilkerson from Times Square Church in New York available on the Restoration webpage @ <http://bit.ly/2NvVve3>

2. Continue with Celebrate Recovery Book 1.

Bible Verses recommended as prayer and proclamation

Philippians 4:4-7 New King James Version (NKJV)

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say, rejoice!

⁵Let your gentleness be known to all men. The Lord *is* at hand.

⁶Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; ⁷and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

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Psalm 23 New King James Version (NKJV)

The LORD *is* my shepherd;
I shall not want.
He makes me to lie down in ^(b)green pastures;
He leads me beside the ^(c)still waters.
He restores my soul;
He leads me in the paths of righteousness
For His name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil;
For You *are* with me;
Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.
You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
You anoint my head with oil;
My cup runs over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
All the days of my life;
And I will ^(d)dwell in the house of the LORD
Forever.

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I. The Cornerstone (Ephesians 2:19-22)

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¹⁹Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, ²⁰having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief *cornerstone*,²¹ in whom the whole building, being fitted together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord, ²²in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

II. The Battle (2 Corinthians 10:3-5)

2 Corinthians 10:3-5 New King James Version (NKJV)

³For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh. ⁴For the weapons of our warfare *are* not ^[a]carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, ⁵casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ,

III. Our Inheritance by Way of the Cross (Hebrews 10:19-22)

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¹⁹Therefore, brethren, having boldness^[a] to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh, ²¹and *having* a High Priest over the house of God, ²²let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

IV. OVERCOMER

1 Corinthians 15:57 New King James Version (NKJV)

⁵⁷But thanks *be* to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

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a. THE WORLD

1 John 2:15-17 New King James Version (NKJV)

¹⁵Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

1 John 5:4

For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith.

b. THE FLESH

Galatians 5:16-17 New King James Version (NKJV)

¹⁶I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh. ¹⁷For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish.

c. THE DEVIL

Ephesians 6:12 New King James Version (NKJV)

¹²For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of ^[a]the darkness of this age, against spiritual *hosts* of wickedness in the heavenly *places*.