



STRATEGIC TARGETED PRAYER

PREPARE THE WAY

1. **Listen and obey:** In Rom 12:12, the Bible says we are "*Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer.*" In 1 Thess 5:17, the Bible says we are to: "*Pray without ceasing.*" In Eph 6:18, the Bible says we are to be: "*Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints.*" In Phil 6:6-7, the Bible says we are to: "*Be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Jesus Christ.*" In James 5:16, the Bible says we are to: "*Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.*"

2. **Arm yourself:** Eph 6:10-18 (we are to put on the full armor): "*Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rules of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all to stand. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the spirit, which is the word of God: Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints.*" 2 Cor 10:3-5 the Bible talks about (weapons): "*For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh; (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;) Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ.*"

3. **Repent and clean your slate:** Psalms 51:10: "*Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.*" 1 John 1:9-10, the Bible says: "*If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.*" In 1 John 3:20-22, the Bible says: "*For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things. Beloved, if our hearts condemn us not, then we have confidence toward God. And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight.*" In 1 John 5:14-15, the Bible says: "*And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask anything*

according to his will, he heareth us. And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him."

4. **Plead the blood of Jesus—over yourself & everyone else praying: over immediate & extended families: over your stuff** as in 1 Sam 30:24 "For who will hearken unto you in this matter? but as his part is that goeth down to the battle, so shall his part be that tarrieth by the stuff: they shall part alike" **over those that we pray for & their immediate families, activities, properties, etc.** Rev 12:11: "And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony: and they loved not their own lives unto the death." We are not to enter the holy place without the blood as stated in Heb 9:7: "But into the second went the high priest alone once every year, not without blood which he offered for himself, and for the errors of the people." We need Jesus' anointed blood as stated in Heb 9:12-14: "Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us. For if the blood of bulls and of goats and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh: How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God." **There is no remission without the shedding of blood** as stated in Heb 9:18, 22-23: "Whereupon neither the first testament was dedicated without blood...And almost all things are by the law purged with blood: and without shedding of blood is no remission. It was therefore necessary that the pattern of things in the heavens should be purified with these; but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these." **We enter in by or through the blood** as stated by Heb 10:4, 19-23: "For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins...Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the vail, that is to say, his flesh; And having an high priest over the house of God; Let 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. Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised.)" **Jesus' blood cleanses sin** as stated in 1 John 1:7: "But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin."

5. **Remember and know that you have an enemy**—1Pet 5:8 says that we are to: "Be sober, be vigilant, because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour." John 10:10 says: "The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they may might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." 1 John 3:8 says: "He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil."

6. **Bind the enemy and release the power of the Holy Spirit**—Matt 12:27-29 says that we are to "...first bind the strong man..." and Matt 16:19; 18:18 says that Jesus gave us "...the keys of the kingdom of heaven..." so "...Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven."

PREPARE THE GROUND

1. **Speak the Word of God—over the situation, circumstances, person, place, declaring things that be not as though they were:** as Paul says in Rom 4:17b: "...Even God...calleth those things which be not as though they were."

2. **Find your point of contact and agreement in/with God's Word; Claim the promise/word by speaking it forth, sending it out into the atmosphere with your mouth** according to Rom 10:10: "*For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation,*" and Mark 11:24: "*...What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them;*"

3. **Praise God in a Spirit thanksgiving** according to Phil 4:6-7: "*Be careful for nothing; but by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God...*" and Prov 18:21 we know that: "*Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof;*" and Rom 10:10 (mouth, confession, salvation); and Matt 8:8 says we are to **speak the word only**: "*The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof: But speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed.*" In Luke 8:50 & Mark 5:36, Jesus told Jairus **Fear not: believe only**: "*But when Jesus heard it, he answered him saying, fear not: believe only, and she shall be made whole;*" and in Mark 5:36: "*As soon as Jesus heard the word that was spoken, he saith unto the ruler of the synagogue, be not afraid, only believe.*" Mark 9:23-24 "*Jesus said unto him, if thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth.*" Mark 11:22-26 (speak to the mountain) "*Have faith in God. For verily I say unto you that whosoever shall say unto this mountain, be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith. Therefore I say unto you, what things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them. And when ye stand praying, forgive, if ye have ought against any: that you Father also which is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses. But if ye do not forgive, neither will your Father which is in heaven forgive your trespasses.*"

CLAIM THE GROUND

1. **Claim the ground that you put your feet on for Jesus**—both literal and spiritual ground: **Psalm 2:8** says "*Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession;*" **Joshua 1:2-9** says "*Moses my servant is dead; now therefore arise, go over this Jordan, thou, and all this people, unto the land which I do give to them, even to the children of Israel. Every place that the sole of your foot shall tread upon, that have I given unto you, as I said unto Moses. From the wilderness and this Lebanon even unto the great river, the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hitites, and unto the great sea toward the going down of the sun, shall be your coast. There shall not any man be able to stand before thee all the days of thy life: as I was with Moses, so will I be with thee: I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee. Be strong and of good courage: for unto this shalt thou divide for an inheritance the land, which I swore unto their fathers to give them. Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest. This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success. Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.*" **Deut. 11:25** says: "*There shall no man be able to stand before you: For the LORD your God shall lay the fear of you and the dread of you upon all the land that ye shall tread upon, as he hath said unto you.*"

THINGS TO REMEMBER

1. **Be organized and very specific in your prayer approach—IMPORTANT: Satan is a legalist. He *will* catch you on technicalities if he can successfully accuse you before the court of God.**