

Righteous Prayer

Chapter 14

JAS 5:12 “Above all, my brothers, do not swear--not by heaven or by earth or by anything else. Let your "Yes" be yes, and your "No," no, or you will be condemned.”

JAS 5:13 “Is any one of you in trouble? He should pray. Is anyone happy? Let him sing songs of praise. [14] Is any one of you sick? He should call the elders of the church to pray over him and anoint him with oil in the name of the Lord. [15] *And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well;* the Lord will raise him up. If he has sinned, he will be forgiven. [16] **Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.**”

The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective. Is that because for some reason he has magic? Is there a special formula between prayer and power? Many religions think so. They think that if you chant enough that their god will finally hear them and then realize that they want to talk to him and then expect him to do something, but because they only chant, How can god know what they want? Do they expect their god to be a mind reader? Well yes the true God is, but that is why He has the law that He will not do anything unless we ask in prayer.

In the other books, we have discussed prayer a lot: Volume 1, chapter 8; Volume 3, chapters 4 and 6.

In them we discuss what prayer is, generally how to pray, why we pray, and when we pray, but here we need to bring it all together and discuss the righteous prayer that moves mountains.

The Key to the prayer that moves mountains is the prayer that is in sync with God, the prayer that prays God's will be done, and the prayer that is from a clean, pure and holy person.

All of these writings are based on the Key verse in the bible,

**“Seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness
and all of these things will be yours.”**

As you read these books and the bible, you should be always be looking to see how they fit into this verse. Even the above verse, is pointing to this, “Therefore confess your sins” for in confession comes forgiveness, cleansing, purity and holiness. You

cannot seek God unless you have. This sounds like an oxymoron, but it is not. There are various stages in seeking God.

1. The sinner stage
2. The forgiven stage
3. The growing stage
4. The office/gifts stage
5. The enlightened stage

This directly relates to the other chapters on the Holy of Holies. In each of these stages we are seeking God, we are seeking His forgiveness, we are seeking His will, we are seeking the Kingdom of God and finally we are seeking His righteousness. In short, for the first 4 stages we are seeking God for us. We are seeking Him for what He can do for us.

And rightly so, for the bible says about us is:

MT 7:3 "Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? [4] How can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when all the time there is a plank in your own eye? [5] You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye.

MT 7:6 "Do not give dogs what is sacred; do not throw your pearls to pigs. If you do, they may trample them under their feet, and then turn and tear you to pieces.

MT 7:7 "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. [8] For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened. (another way to say seek).

So before we dare to help anyone else He demands that we first make sure that we can see clearly, and to that we must first not be hypocrites and be like Him.

For Jesus came to save the sinner, to heal the sick, to free the captives from their bondage—they did not realize it when He first said that, that He meant from sin and evil spirits—He came to bring salvation. And so He expects us to pray and seek how to live in the Kingdom of God and the first four stages do that. We were strangers to our own home, the home of our God, His Kingdom. He has adopted us into His family and all He asks is that we act according to the way one of His children should act. To do that we must learn how the Kingdom of God functions.

As sinner we are seeking to find God, we are seeking to believe in God. Then after we find God, we start to seek God for His forgiveness so that we can be “Born

again” and be saved. Then once we are saved we start to seek God and just learn everything about God, we start to drink milk and grow in His word. Then once we come to understand somewhat of God, we start to realize that there is a lot to God and so we start to seek the Kingdom of God to understand where we fit in and what we can do and how God wants to do it. So we seek Him to find our destiny, path and office that He has for us, for He has purpose for all of His children. See seek the Kingdom of God to find that purpose. Once we find that purpose we start to seek His righteousness. Once we have learned and know how the Kingdom of God functions, and we have learned about God to have faith in Him, we now need to follow our destiny—or path in Him.

Now that we have arrive to the final stage we need to discuss the seeking of His righteousness in prayer. In each of these previous stages we are seeking God through prayer for ourselves, for nothing happens unless you do. But here we are talking the the finals stage using the ultimate prayer, the prayer that moves other mountains. In all of these other stages, the mountain was you. It was the prayer for God to save, forgive, grow us and find your office, but now we are praying for others, for the world, for the revival, for the great commission. For ourselves, we know what we need to pray for—simply, help! Help Me Lord! Maybe more elaborate, but in the end the prayer was—Help!

There comes a time in our life when we are no longer sinners, no longer sick, we are healthy and free from bondage and being slaves of evil spirits. It is time to grow up and not be a self-pleaser, but we need to become a God pleaser. For as He says,

MT 10:5 “These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Do not go among the Gentiles or enter any town of the Samaritans. [6] Go rather to the lost sheep of Israel. [7] As you go, preach this message: 'The kingdom of heaven is near.' [8] Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons. **Freely you have received, freely give.** [9] Do not take along any gold or silver or copper in your belts; [10] take no bag for the journey, or extra tunic, or sandals or a staff; for the worker is worth his keep.”

If we care for God as He has cared for us, then we will want to please Him by caring about what He cares about. (That is a hard one) And what He cares about is His children.

MT 18:10 "See that you do not look down on one of these little ones. For I tell you that their angels in heaven always see the face of my Father in heaven.”

MT 18:12 "What do you think? If a man owns a hundred sheep, and one of them wanders away, will he not leave the ninety-nine on the hills and go to look for the one that wandered off? [13] And if he finds it, I tell you the truth, he is happier about that one sheep than about the ninety-nine that did not wander off. [14] **In the same way your Father in heaven is not willing that any of these little ones should be lost.**

This is why His finally command to the Disciples was this:

MK 16:15 “He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation. [16] Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned. [17] And these signs will accompany those who believe: In My name they will drive out demons; they will speak in new tongues; [18] they will pick up snakes with their hands; and when they drink deadly poison, it will not hurt them at all; they will place their hands on sick people, and they will get well.”

MK 16:19 “After the Lord Jesus had spoken to them, He was taken up into heaven and he sat at the right hand of God. [20] Then the disciples went out and preached everywhere, and the Lord worked with them and confirmed his word by the signs that accompanied it.”

This is often called the great commission. This is His final command to the 11. This is the purpose that He died for. So this is what He expects all of His children to complete. Now that you have matured, been healed, freed from evil spirits and saved, it is time for you to go do your part.

But do you know what others need? Do you know the plan God has in place for others? Do you know what God has planned for the World, or other countries? The answer is NO. You do not. And unless you do, how can you pray with God and in His will? What do you pray for?

For example, if you pray for God to heal, but God is using that sickness to get that persons attention and to build their faith, now can you pray for their healing, when God needs you to wait. He will not answer your prayer, for it is not in His will. But because you did not seek His righteousness you did not know this and then you will begin to doubt and your faith starts to weaken. If you did seek His righteousness, then you would know not to pray for healing, for healing is not God’s will, but you should be praying for that person to endure the sickness and for them to Seek the kingdom of God and then once they have learned God’s lesson, and then you can pray for their healing, and they will be healed.

And this is the whole purpose of first Seeking His righteousness. It is seeking what God is doing, seeking God’s will, it is seeking what you are to do, and then seeking how do to it.

After you have prayed and received the answer, and you do it, then you have found the Righteous Prayer that moves mountains.

The Righteous Prayer is one of circles; it is a prayer, on a prayer, on a prayer. When you first see the problem, you need to Seek His righteousness. Remember that to

be righteous is to be willingly obedient. So you need to find out what, when and how to be obedient. And it too is in stages.

Stage one

Find out or seek God to find out what God is trying to do. Find out who all is involved and what He wants, and most important, find out if He wants you involved. He might have others that He has planned for this and for you to either watch or stay away, and find out what else He has for you. We all have a purpose and things to do. Find it.

Stage two

Once you know that He wants you involved, seek to find out when He wants to do what He is doing or when He wants you to do it. His timing is perfect, so do not let time pressure you to prematurely act.

Stage three

This is the hardest to do. This is often why He does not tell us too much, so that we do not ruin His plans. This is often why He just wants us to act on faith in Him because many times telling us is the same as telling the enemy, which is why He tells us only what we need to know to act on faith for what He wants and needs. So you need to seek Him to find out what it is you are to do.

Stage four

Seek Him to find out how to do what He wants you to do. Do not assume that because it is similar to something else you did, that you should just do the same thing again. The enemy changes all of the time, but they use the same tactic, to draw you into a false sense of security, because you think you know it all, when in fact they are drawing you into a trap. Only God can see that trap, for He can see the spirit world. Therefore, you need to trust Him to guide you into how to do it.

Sometimes it takes many steps to get to where God wants you to be. So depending on the answers that you get from Him, you might need to start the stages over again and again, until you have completely found His righteousness in that situation. Then when you pray that will be the Righteous prayer.

But always remember, that this final stage of seeking, requires you to be pure, holy, and righteous for yourself first.

Always remember:

MT 7:1 "Do not judge, or you too will be judged. [2] For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.

Meaning if you always use the Righteous Prayer, then what you do you will never be judged wrongly for you if you do what He wants, then you will be judged righteous.

MT 7:3 "Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? [4] How can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when all the time there is a plank in your own eye? [5] **You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye.**"

So before you start helping anyone else, make sure that you are first pure, holy and righteous first; that is what removes the speck in your eye.

MT 7:6 "Do not give dogs what is sacred; do not throw your pearls to pigs. If you do, they may trample them under their feet, and then turn and tear you to pieces."

Being obedient to God ensures that you do not throw away your faith, and prayers for swine. You need to know if that person or persons you are trying to help are Children of God. God does not want you to waste your precious time and faith on the children of Cain. See Volume 3, Chapter 12.

MT 7:7 "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. [8] For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened."

So as you see in this last one that God will not read your mind, you must ask. You must seek and you must knock. Do not take God for granted by expecting Him to do things just because you want it to be done, just because you think it and desire it. You must not take God for granted, you must pray, you must seek the knowledge on how the Kingdom of God works in that situation and you must use your faith to seek His righteousness in that situation.

If necessary, you must be persistent in finding the knowledge and understanding of God and the Kingdom of God so that you know what to do when He says to do it; so that you have the faith to act on His answers. You must be ready to do what He needs you to do, that means that you must have the faith to go along with the prayer of righteousness to move the mountains. It takes both to move the mountains. It all works together. One part by itself usually does not work, Because why? Because you do not have the magic saying, or the magic words or the magic formula to make it work?

God is like us, God has feelings and thoughts and desires. He is not mystical, or magical. He is alive with the power and authority of this universe.

He is like your daddy. For you daddy is the power and authority of the family and home. When you want to use the car to go to the store, you do not look up your special prayer formula to find out how many "Hail Mary's" and how many "Our fathers" you

have to say to get His attention. So you do not crawl up on your knees to him and start to pray over and over your 6 “Hail Mary’s” and 6 “Our fathers”. Of course you do not say anything about the real need, because you expect Him to read your mind for what you really want. You cannot expect that these prayers will tell him that you want to use the car, when and why. Many religions do. They expect that if they hit the magic mystical number of prayers that it turns on the magic and the mystic world will do as the command. And does it work, NO! God is not mystic; He is real, alive and has a logical mind too. He expects to be treated as you would your daddy, not some magical, mystical entity that as the law of special prayers, chants, customs, physical movements or music or any amount of other things, that must happen before the mystical entity moves and helps.

But I know that if I did that with my dad, he would be very disturbed with me. He hates games; he wants us to all come to the point and ask what we need, and to give a simple explanation as to why. Then if it is logical or reasonable, he will act on it, but not because of some kind of magical formula or prayer.

No our Father wants you to come standing boldly before His throne like a child of God and make your request, one with a sincere, earnest, pure and holy heart. If not then the first pray you do is to ask for forgiveness and repentance for what you have done, then once you are clean, you ask for what you need.

Which is to know what He is doing, to know what He wants, to know how to do it and to finally pray His will from this knowledge you just received. And as you treat Him as a living person with feelings, thoughts, and a heart too, then your daddy, if it is reasonable, and logical, He would be more than happy to act on it, to help you or who you are praying for. To move a mountain, you must first move God’s heart, with your love, sincerity, earnest heart and mind, with your grace, kindness, and selfless life.

The point is to learn how to please our Father in Heaven; to learn what you can do to please Him and how to make Him happy with you, just as He has made you happy with His joy, love and peace, mercy and grace. When He calls for help, we all should be running up to His and say like in Isaiah:

ISA 6:1 “In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord seated on a throne, high and exalted, and the train of his robe filled the temple. [2] Above him were seraphs, each with six wings: With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they were flying. [3] And they were calling to one another:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD Almighty;
the whole earth is full of his glory."

ISA 6:4 “At the sound of their voices the doorposts and thresholds shook and the temple was filled with smoke.

ISA 6:5 **"Woe to me!" I cried. "I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have seen the King, the LORD Almighty."**

ISA 6:6 "Then one of the seraphs flew to me with a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with tongs from the altar. [7] With it he touched my mouth and said, ***"See, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away and your sin atoned for."***

ISA 6:8 "Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?"

And I said, **"Here am I. Send me!"**

ISA 6:9 He said, "Go and tell this people:

" `Be ever hearing, but never understanding;
be ever seeing, but never perceiving.'"

"Here am I. Send me". Should be our slogan in our eagerness to please our Lord.

Remember:

MK 8:34 "Then He called the crowd to Him along with His disciples and said: "If anyone would come after Me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me. [35] **For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for Me and for the gospel will save it.** [36] What good is it for a man to gain the whole world, yet forfeit his soul? [37] Or what can a man give in exchange for his soul? [38] If anyone is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of him when He comes in His Father's glory with the holy angels."

To summarize all of this, the final stage is where we spend our lives seeking to please the Lord, for that is what "Seek first His righteousness" really means

And when you seek to please the Lord and act on it, He will be more than happy to work with you as you work with Him, and He will do whatever it takes to fulfill His will, even moving mountains.

