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Seven Aspects of Prayer

James 5:16 Says, Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working. (ESV)

I. Prayer of Supplication

A. In Hebrews 5:7 we see Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears.

*The Hebrew word for supplication is **Tachanun** it means supplication, supplication for favor.

*The action of asking or begging for something earnestly or humbly.

B. In I Timothy 2:1 We see supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people.

*The Hebrew word for prayer is **Tefilah** and it means to judge oneself.

*Another Hebrew word for prayer is **Techinnah** and it means favor, supplication, supplication for favor.

C. Phil. 4:6 do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

D. Eph. 6:18, Praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints.

II. Prayer of Intercession

A. In Genesis 18:22-33 We see Abraham Interceding for Sodom.

B. The Hebrew word for Intercession is Paga and it means to encounter, meet, reach, entreat, make intercession.

C. In I Kings 18:41-46 Elijah goes into intercession for it to rain again.

D. Acts 12:1-18 Intercession is made for Peter to be released from prison and the prayers are answered by an angel of the Lord released him.

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E. Hebrews 7:25 Consequently, He is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them.

F. Exodus 33:11-23 Moses's intercession is answered by God showing him His glory.

G. In I Timothy 2:1 We see supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people.

H. In Hebrews 5:7 we see Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears.

*** To truly intercede we plead or mediate on behalf of another person. We earnestly pray for the needs of others and God's will for their life. Jesus is our model of Prophetic Intercession.**

III. Prayer of Faith

A. In James 5:15 He says; And the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven.

B. Mark 11:20-25 As they passed by in the morning, they saw the fig tree withered away to its roots. 21 And Peter remembered and said to him, "Rabbi, look! The fig tree that you cursed has withered." 22 And Jesus answered them, "Have faith in God. 23 Truly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, 'Be taken up and thrown into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that what he says will come to pass, it will be done for him. 24 Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received[c] it, and it will be yours. 25 And whenever you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against anyone, so that your Father also who is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses."

C. The Hebrew words for faith are:

D. Aman means believe, trust in, rely upon, believe in, have faith.

E. Batah means trust in, trust or rely upon.

F. Mibtah means trust, confidence or confidence....security.

G. Hasah means seek refuge, flee for protection.

H. Galal means to commit...trust....roll. To roll oneself on the Lord.

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I. **Mahseh** means refuge, shelter or to seek refuge.

J. **Yahal** means wait, tarry for, wait for equalling hope for.

K. **Rechats** means to rely on, put one's trust in.

L. **Emunah** means faithfulness, trust.

*** In order for us to fully understand the prayer of faith we must first understand what faith truly encompasses and it's full meaning!**

M. **Matt. 9:18-26** We see the woman with the issue of blood for 12 years healed by her prayer of faith!

N. **Luke 7:1-10** We see the Centurion's servant healed because of the prayer of faith of the Centurion soldier.

IV. Prayer of Agreement

A. Genesis 11:1-9 the power of agreement is clearly seen at the Tower of Babel!

B. If nothing that they purposed would be impossible then think of the prayers of agreement of the saints when praying with one accord in the will of God!

*** The prayer of agreement is when two or more people come together and agree with one another and with the Word of God that something specific will be done.**

C. Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them." (Matthew 18:19, 20 ESV)

D. **Exodus 17:8-13** God taught the children of Israel the power of agreement through the holding up of Moses' hands!

E. Psalms 133:1-3 Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity! It is like the precious oil on the head, running down on the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down on the collar of his robes! It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion! For there The Lord has commanded the blessing, life forevermore.

F. **Acts 4:23-31** When Peter and John were released they went back to their friends and then all lifted their voice together to God and when they had finished praying the place they had gathered had shaken and they were filled with the Holy Spirit!

G. **In Hebrews 10:24-25** We are encouraged not to neglect the meeting together!

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H. Matthew 28:16-20 Jesus sends out the disciples on the great commission to make disciples.

V. Prayer of Thanksgiving and Praise

- A. Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name! For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations. (Psalm 100:1-5 ESV)**
- B. The Hebrew word for Thanksgiving and praise is **Yadah** and it means to throw; to give thanks, laud or praise; to confess something about God; to confess one's own sin.
- C. Another Hebrew word is **Towdah** and it means Confession, praise, thanksgiving; giving of praise to God; thanksgiving in songs of worship; thanks choir or procession; thank-offering, sacrifice of thanksgiving; confession.
- D. The Hebrew word **Huy'dot** means songs of praise and is only found once in scripture in **Neh. 12:8**
- E. Yet you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel. (Psalm 22:3 ESV)**
- F. About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them, and suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken. And immediately all the doors were opened, and everyone's bonds were unfastened. When the jailer woke and saw that the prison doors were open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, supposing that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul cried with a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." And the jailer called for lights and rushed in, and trembling with fear he fell down before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them out and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" And they said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." And they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. And he took them the same hour of the night and washed their wounds; and he was baptized at once, he and all his family. Then he brought them up into his house and set food before them. And he rejoiced along with his entire household that he had believed in God. (Acts 16:25-34 ESV)**

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- G. Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 ESV)**
- H. First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, (1 Timothy 2:1 ESV)**
- I. rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. (Colossians 2:7 ESV)**
- J. And let them offer sacrifices of thanksgiving, and tell of his deeds in songs of joy! (Psalm 107:22 ESV)**
- K. We enter into His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise means we open the door with thanksgiving and the secret place with praise!**
- L. give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. (1 Thessalonians 5:18 ESV)**
- M. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. (Colossians 3:17 ESV)**

VI. Prayer of Contemplation or Soaking Prayer

- A. Over the centuries, one of the key ways that believers have sought to know God in a more intimate way was through this kind of contemplative prayer. In recent years this practice has come to be known as ‘Soaking Prayer’. According to the Miriam-Webster Dictionary, the word ‘contemplate’ means, “To view or consider with continued attention. To meditate on.” The word ‘meditate’ means, “A definite focusing of one’s thoughts on something so as to understand it deeply.” Soaking prayer is often referred to as an inward journey in the Spirit. In simple terms, it’s just ‘hanging out’ with Jesus, and letting Him do whatever He wants to do in our lives. In previous revivals believers referred to this intimate communion with God as ‘waiting on the Lord,’ or ‘tarrying’ as they lingered in prayer, expecting God’s revival blessings. Although ‘soaking’ includes waiting on the Lord, in this present move of the Spirit it means much more than that. To ‘soak’ in God’s presence is to rest in His love rather than to ‘strive’ in prayer.**
- B. Regarding contemplative or ‘soaking’ prayer, Andrew Murray wrote, "Here is the secret of a life of prayer. Take time in the inner chamber to bow down and worship; and wait on Him until He unveils Himself, and takes possession of**

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you, and goes out with you to show how a man can live and walk in abiding fellowship with an unseen Lord." 2

Bible reading and prayer are not enough to fulfill the longing in our soul for intimacy with God. Through soaking prayer we can take time alone with the Father, not asking for anything, but merely enjoying more of Him.

But soaking prayer is nothing new. In a Seventeenth Century monastery, a cook named Brother Lawrence gave his life to the art of “practicing the presence of God in one single act that does not end.” He learned to cultivate the deep presence of God so thoroughly in his own heart that he was able to joyfully proclaim, “I am doing now what I will do for all eternity. I am blessing God, praising Him, adoring Him, and loving Him with all my heart.” (Craig Von Buseck)

C. “Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!” (Psalm 46:10 ESV)

D. To still our hearts long enough to hear Him speak to us and actually have a two way relationship "This is apart of soaking prayer"

E. We should have regular times of being still and just waiting on The Lord!

F. Steps for soaking:

- **Establish a daily time**
- **Focus on Him**
- **Be Still and Listen**
- **Meditate on Scripture**
- **Be aware of your spiritual senses**
- **See**
- **Hear**
- **Feel**
- **Smell**
- **Taste**

*** Your five senses in the natural are also your spiritual senses as well!**

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*** Don't be afraid God will not give you a snake or a rock when you ask for bread and fish!**

- **Journal your prayers**

G. But solid food is for the mature, for those who have their powers of discernment trained by constant practice to distinguish good from evil. (Hebrews 5:14 ESV)

VII. Prayer of Declaration or Declarative Prayer

A. You will also declare a thing, And it will be established for you; So light will shine on your ways. (Job 22:28 NKJV)

B. Death and life are in the power of the tongue, And those who love it will eat its fruit. (Proverbs 18:21 NKJV)

C. The Hebrew word for Declare is nagad and it means: 1) to be conspicuous, tell, make known 1a) (Hiphil) to tell, declare 1a1) to tell, announce, report 1a2) to declare, make known, expound 1a3) to inform of 1a4) to publish, declare, proclaim 1a5) to avow, acknowledge, confess 1a5a) messenger (participle) 1b) (Hophal) to be told, be announced, be reported

D. When we pray prayers of declaration we are making known the truth of God's word, proclaiming His promises and power in our lives and our circumstances! We are confessing His names over our families and relationships proclaiming the advancement of His kingdom in us and through us! We are making known the counsel of God to any given situation! We are being messengers of His sovereign will to our towns, cities, states, and nations!

E. Here is a declarative prayer taken from Streams Ministries:

In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, in His authority, I cut off every curse that has been spoken against me to try to stop me from walking into God's purpose for my life. In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and in His authority, I cut off all bloodline and spiritual curses that any person or persons may have placed upon me, whether by their actions or by any form of verbal declaration at all, whatsoever.

Through the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ, I pronounce that, in His name, all these things are null and void as of this moment. Nothing that is against His purpose for me shall flourish. Nothing, in the name of Jesus, that is anti what He

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has created me to become will flourish from this moment on. And therefore, in His name, I declare that:

- my family will prosper,
- my children will prosper,
- my finances will prosper,
- my authority will prosper,
- my favor will prosper,
- my influence will prosper,
- my understanding of Scripture will prosper,
- my wisdom will prosper,
- my discernment and discretion will prosper.

The power of the Living God will flow in greater measure through me, unencumbered. It will increasingly become more unencumbered and flow at greater rates, greater speeds, to change people's lives and advance the glorious Kingdom of the Lord Jesus Christ within me.

I declare that God has determined the pre-appointed time for my life, the exact place that I would dwell, the exact time that I would be born, the exact location for my anointing. He has placed me where I am in order for me to touch and change that area, and that the enemy — the powers of darkness — would be broken because of the power of the Living God upon my shoulders.

He has done this, so that I would grope for Him, and that I would seek Him, and that in hope I might find Him, for in Him I live and move and have my being. As Paul wrote, "We are all His offspring," and therefore I declare that I am flesh of His flesh in the Kingdom of the glorious Lord Jesus Christ. I am bone of His bone. I was born for such a time as this. No matter what has happened in the past, or what has been happening in the present, I will walk in victory, and I will see the goodness of God in the land of the living! In Jesus' name, amen.

F. Declarative prayer will get you out of self-pity, anxiety, confusion and self-doubt. They will change your mindset and reorient your thinking.

G. So we need to come into agreement and declare who we are in Christ!