

INSPIRED WORD

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PRAYER

Let's begin the night in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, amen. Lord, we just call You to come be with us tonight. Open our hearts, open our minds, open our ears. Help us to hear You; help us to speak to You, to see what You have for us and to be able to be present to You in a powerful way. We ask this in the name of Jesus, amen.

INSPIRED TEACHING

As we were doing that song there's a line that jumped out at me. It goes: Lift your voice; it's the year of jubilee. Does anyone know what the year of jubilee is all about? (Every 50 years.) Yeah, it's this period that was in scripture that says that at this point, like it was every seven or 50 or 40; it was a big number, we were going to call it a year of jubilee. And any debts are cancelled and any slaves are set free. Everyone gets a clean slate; we start over. But then others would say, "Well, jubilee is coming next year or maybe the year later." No one actually wanted to do a jubilee year because you had to get rid of your slaves and forgive debts, so they weren't too hip on actually doing that part of scripture. But it was built into this hope that we're going to have a jubilee year and that's what this song is talking about. When the Lord comes, that is the jubilee year. Everything in the past is wiped clean because the Lord has come and we get to celebrate that with Him. Out of Zion's hills salvation comes and our salvation is Jesus. So, amen!

PRAYER

O Jesus, let Your name bring down any barriers we might have here tonight, Lord. Jesus, mighty is Your name and we proclaim it here in this place tonight. Jesus, glory to You. You know, at the name of Jesus, the demons trembled, did they not? They tremble at His name.

INSPIRED TEACHING

Every time there was a crisis in the church, the church came together and prayed. And the way we responded to that crisis, be it a heresy, be it a change in just everything about the church, they responded with the creed, the Nicene Creed, the Apostles Creed, and there's other creeds that have been handed down through the church's life. Right now we're shifting from a Christendom to a mission-dom, where the comfort zone is not always around us. You may be the only Christian in the room who knows the Lord and that means that's not a place to fear. That's an opportunity to share but we share by going back to the basics, by going back to a creed. So as we worship tonight, let's just worship and believe in a God, the Father, believe in Jesus Christ, and believe in the Holy Spirit because He is life.

PRAYER

Dear God in heaven, I love You with all my heart. Lord Jesus, I love You with all my heart. Spirit of the living God, I love You with all my heart. I do, I do love the tripartite God. I love You; I love You; I love You. And I just praise You and exalt You and magnify Your holy name, dear God. I pray that everything will be done decently and in order as always. We just praise and exalt Your holy name. You are worthy, worthy, worthy; worthy is the Lamb; worthy is the Lamb of God who has taken away the sins of the world. We praise and exalt and magnify Your holy name. You alone are worthy, worthy, worthy, worthy of honor and worthy of glory and worthy of all praise.

IMAGE

I just had an image while we were sitting and praying. I just got to see Jesus in front of me, not only covering me and protecting me but then He just showed me my heart which was full of swords. And He asked me for it so I gave it to Him, and He gave me His heart and put it inside. And I just feel like He's got this invitation to everybody else in this room, and I wanted to share that. That's all He wants.

PRAYER

Lord, we just lay our lives before You. Make of them what You will. Bring us closer to You.

EXHORTATION / PRAYER

That song that we just sang – Jesus, bring new wine out of me. Jesus, I surrender. From our hearts, let's just do that tonight and say that I want new wine. I want to surrender, new fire, new love, new desire to spread Your gospel, new wine, Lord, new wine here, Jesus.

PROPHECY / PRAYER

I call you; I call you to let go. I call you to let go; I call you to open your hearts to the new thing that I am doing. I call you to let go of fear; I call you to let go of habit; I call you to let go of comfort; I call you to open your hearts to my Spirit. Let Him in. Come, Holy Spirit, come. Help us to release anything that prevents us from being open to You. Drop it, let it go.

IMAGE

I just got an image just when we were sharing. I was laying prostrate with the heavenly courts around me and I got to see, while I was laying prostrate, Jesus showed me I've got burns on my soul, and He shared with me that the Holy Spirit was hovering over me like gentle water. I actually got an invitation to let it settle and to just touch my soul to restore it. I just got up to share the invitation because He takes away all the burns even if they're on your soul. He takes them entirely away. He heals and restores you. You look like you're brand new. It will look like you're the most beautiful thing you could image.

SCRIPTURE

I'd like to share a word of the Lord from **Daniel 3**, and it just shows how three Hebrew men were thrown into the fiery furnace. And they were thrown in there because they went against King Nebuchadnezzar. And the point there is that they had such a great trust in our Almighty God and ever-loving Father. And then what happened is that the three were preserved from harm and then Nebuchadnezzar sees four men walking in the flames, the fourth like the Son of God.

SCRIPTURE / SHARING

Psalm 11:1-7: *In the Lord I take refuge; how can you say to me, "Flee to the mountain like a bird; for see, the wicked bend the bow, they place the arrow on the string to shoot in the dark at the upright in heart; when the pillars are overthrown, what can the just man do"? The Lord is in his holy temple, the Lord's throne is in heaven; his eyes behold, his searching glances on mankind. The Lord tests the just and the wicked, the lover of violence he hates. He rains upon the wicked fiery coals and brimstone; a burning blast is their allotted cup. For the Lord is just; he loves just deeds; the upright shall see his face.* I have been praying to see God eye to eye. So okay, the personal testimony is, there are different ways to bust free in the power of the Lord and for me it's clutter busting. And when I was clutter busting, I came across my husband's commentary, his poetic commentary on Psalm 11 and it spoke all the further to me and this is how I saw God eye to eye through my husband: I am frightened by the insecurities about me and am sorely tempted to run for my life to take refuge in foolish escapades that dim the vision and (...) the soul. There is no escape from the realities of this fractured world and we awaken from our stupor or the trenches of (...); they are ever present to haunt and oppress us. But there is a place of refuge. God is in our midst. He is aware of the fears and apprehensions of his beloved children. He may not always rid us of our fears; he does promise to face them with us, to make them stepping stones of faith, to use them to draw us closer to himself. I need not worry over much of the distortions and the lies of this world. I do need to be aware that God is here and allow him through me to reveal himself to his world.

PROPHECY

When I spoke to Peter I said, "Do you love me?" And again I asked, "Do you love me?" And a third time I asked, "Do you love me?" And now, my beloved, I say to you, "Do you believe the words that I speak to you? Do you trust in the words that I speak to you? Do you truly believe when I say to you, 'Do not fear. I am with you always and I love you'?" If you can truly answer yes to these three questions, my beloved, then I say to you, "Remember the vision. I will fill this room and I will fill this church and I will fill this city with people whose hearts are turned towards me." And if you can truly say yes to the questions that I have asked you, then I say to you, my beloved, "Go forth."

PRAYER

Lord, anoint us to go forth. Help us to love You with all our heart, our mind and our strength.

SCRIPTURE

So I was in the back and I was prompted to read this, and I said, "Well, I'm not going to get up there," and God said, "You better get up there." From the **Gospel of John 16:24-33**: *Until now, you have not asked anything in my name. Ask and you will receive so that your joy may be complete. I have told you this in figures of speech; the hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures but I will tell you clearly about the Father. On that day, you will ask in my name and I do not tell you that I will ask the Father for you. For the Father himself loves you because you have loved me and have come to believe that I have come from God. I came from the Father and have come into the world; now I am leaving the world and going back to the Father. His disciples said, "Now you're talking plainly, not in any figure of speech. Now we realize that you know everything and that you do not need to have anyone question you; because of this we believe that you came from God." Jesus answered them, "Do you believe that? Behold, the hour is coming and has arrived when each of you will be scattered to his own home and you will leave me alone. But I am not alone because the Father is with me. I tell you this so that you may have peace in me. In the world you will have trouble but take courage; I have conquered the world."*

SHARING

In the second or third song that was sung, I don't know which one, but there was a line that has stuck in my mind since we sang it, only it's long enough ago that I don't know if I can directly quote it but it said: I have life through God's grace.

PRAYER

We thank You, Lord, for Your holy presence here tonight and for Your word to us and for touching Your people through that word and through prayer. Send us forth; send Your Spirit upon us. We ask, we ask for it all, we ask for fresh fire, we ask for new zeal, and we ask that You pour forth every gift of the Holy Spirit that we need for ministry on each and every one of us and give us the courage to use them.