

INSPIRED WORD
October 11, 2017

SHARING / PRAYER

...He said, "May there be repeated thus in Christian families the spectacle of the apostles gathered together at Jerusalem after the Ascension of Jesus to heaven, when the newborn church was completely united in forming a prayer with Peter and around Peter, the shepherd of the lambs and of the sheep. And may the divine Spirit deign to answer in a most comforting manner the prayer that rises daily to Him from every corner of the earth." We can pray this together: Divine Spirit, renew Your wonders in this our age as in a new Pentecost, and grant that Your church, praying perseveringly and insistently with one heart and mind, together with Mary the Mother of Jesus, and guided by Blessed Peter, may increase the reign of the Divine Savior, the reign of truth and justice, the reign of love and peace. Amen.

PRAYER - Litany of the Holy Spirit:

Lord, have mercy on us (have mercy on us).
God the Father of heaven (have mercy on us).
God the Son, Redeemer of the world (have mercy on us).
God the Holy Spirit (have mercy on us).
Holy Trinity, One God (have mercy on us).
Divine Essence, One true God (have mercy on us).
Spirit of truth and wisdom (have mercy on us).
Spirit of holiness and justice (have mercy on us).
Spirit of understanding and counsel (have mercy on us).
Spirit of love and joy (have mercy on us).
Spirit of peace and patience (have mercy on us).
Spirit of kindness and goodness (have mercy on us).
Spirit of generosity and gentleness (have mercy on us).
Spirit of faithfulness and modesty (have mercy on us).
Spirit of self-control and chastity (have mercy on us).
Love substantial of the Father and the Son (have mercy on us).
Love and life of saintly souls (have mercy on us).
Fire ever burning (have mercy on us).
Living water to quench the thirst of hearts (have mercy on us).
From all evil (deliver us, O Holy Spirit).
From all impurity of soul and body (deliver us, O Holy Spirit).
From all gluttony and sensuality (deliver us, O Holy Spirit).
From all attachments to the things of the earth (deliver us, O Holy Spirit).

From all hypocrisy and pretense (deliver us, O Holy Spirit).
From all imperfections and deliberate faults (deliver us, O Holy Spirit).
From our own will (deliver us, O Holy Spirit).
From slander (deliver us, O Holy Spirit).
From deceiving our neighbors (deliver us, O Holy Spirit).
From our passions and disorderly appetites (deliver us, O Holy Spirit).
From our inattentiveness to Your holy inspirations (deliver us, O Holy Spirit).
From despising little things (deliver us, O Holy Spirit).
From debauchery and malice (deliver us, O Holy Spirit).
From love of comfort and luxury (deliver us, O Holy Spirit).
From wishing to seek or desire anything other than You (deliver us, O Holy Spirit).
From everything that displeases You (deliver us, O Holy Spirit).
Most loving Father (forgive us).
Divine Word (have pity on us).
Holy and Divine Spirit (leave us not until we are in possession of the Divine Essence)
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world (send us the Divine Consoler).
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world (fill us with the gift of Your Spirit).
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world (make the fruits of the Holy Spirit increase within us).
Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful (and kindle in them the fire of Your divine love).
Send forth Your Spirit and they shall be created (and You shall renew the face of the earth).
Let us pray: O God, Who by the light of the Holy Spirit did instruct the hearts of Your faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever rejoice in His consolation, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER

We can say melt us, mold us, fill us, use us, and just be open to Him tonight. Lord, here we are. We want You here. We want you to touch us in any way You want to, and we pray for a tremendous outpouring of Your holiness and Your love and Your holy presence here in this place, here in Your church, here in our hearts. Come, Holy Spirit. And we ask in Jesus' name.

PRAYER

Thank You, Jesus. It truly is amazing grace. O Jesus, present here among us, we love You. Walk among us tonight, Lord, walk among us. Shepherd us. Shepherd us. Send forth Your glory here. Change this place and change all of us, that we might look and think more like You. Come, Lord.

PRAYER

O Lord, let our hearts burn for You tonight, in this place tonight, Lord. Let them make sweet music to exalt You. O Holy Spirit, give us the gift to be able to enter into praise and worship

tonight. Come, O Fire of God, and touch every heart. Come, O Love of the Father and the Son. Permeate this place that we may exalt the Lord Jesus. No holding back.

SCRIPTURE / PRAYER

In **Romans 8:1-11**: *There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit, for the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death. For the law could not do it in that it was weak through the flesh; God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh on account of sin, he condemned sin in the flesh so that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the spirit with the things of the spirit. For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. Because the carnal mind is enmity against God, it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can it be; so then those who are in the flesh cannot please God. If Christ is in you, the body is dead because of sin and the spirit is life because of righteousness. But if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.* Lord Jesus, we just thank You that You have raised us from death; You have raised us from the carnal body; You have raised us from the death of sin, the law of sin and death. We just praise You and exalt You and magnify Your holy name. For You alone are worthy, worthy of all honor and worthy of all glory and worthy of all praise. We do praise You and exalt You and magnify Your name. For You are the King of kings, righteous in all Your ways. We praise You and exalt You and magnify Your name. For the King of all glory has come, the King of all glory has come to set us free from the law of sin and death.

PRAYER

Mighty are You, Lord, and we're privileged to be here where we can lift high Your holy name. Jesus! You know the words of that song said 'grateful that You hear us'. Does he always hear us? Yes, He always hears us. Always, no matter what. So, Jesus, we stand here in confidence as we sing and exalt You, knowing that You hear us. You hear us even when we're not speaking, when our hearts are crying out to You. You hear us and You surround us with Your love. Glory to You, glory to You, glory to You.

SHARING

One more thing from that song, it says 'You are the one we are living for'. And when we sang that, Jesus asked me, "Am I the one you're living for?"

PRAYER

O Lord, You heard the words we just prayed to You in the song, that we'll follow You, follow You all of our days. Lord, make that commitment true for us tonight. Help us to say yes from

the depths of our being, to say, “Lord, I choose to follow You. I want to follow You. I want to be Your servant. I want to be Your emissary. I want to be a messenger of Your love and of Your truth. Help me. Help me to follow where You want me to go. Send me and give me the grace to say yes.”

SCRIPTURE / PROPHECY

The words of that song ‘Your praise will ever be on my lips, will ever be on my lips’ ... some of that comes from **Psalm 63:1-8**: *O God, you are my God, I seek you, my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you as in a dry and weary land where there is no water. So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory. Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you. So I will bless you as long as I live; I will lift up my hands and call on your name. My soul is satisfied as with a rich feast, and my mouth praises you with joyful lips, when I think of you on my bed and meditate you in the watches of the night; for you have been my help, and in the shadow of your wings I sing for joy. My soul clings to you; your right hand upholds me.* And with that song and with that Psalm, I just sense the Lord is saying to us: “Wherever you walk, wherever you go, be it joyful times or fearful times, let My praise be ever on your lips. Let My praise be ever on your lips. Even in the darkness, let My praise be ever on your lips. For I am the God of power and might; I am the God of power and glory; and I walk with you wherever you go.”

PRAYER

Lord, you call us to be people of praise, people trusting deeply in You. As You walk with us through all circumstances, we can rejoice in that knowledge that You are with us and that You love us and that You are powerful, strong and loving. Help us always, always to be people of praise. Glory to You.

IMAGE

‘Your praise will ever be on my lips.’ When we praise God with our lips, I had the image that we were kissing God, for we use our lips to kiss, and the kiss is for love. When we praise God, we are loving Him.

SCRIPTURE

Earlier when we were praying the prayer together and then coupled with Laura’s question, this scripture popped into my head and the word that connected it all together was ‘heart’, and trying to open our hearts, let our hearts be completely open. It’s from **Joel 2:12-13**: *“Yet even now,” says the Lord, “return to me with your whole heart, with fasting and weeping and mourning; rend your hearts, not your garments.” And return to the Lord, your God, for gracious and merciful is he, slow to anger, rich in kindness, and relenting in punishment.*

IMAGE / SCRIPTURE / SENSE

I keep getting the image of a stalk of wheat in a field of wheat, at that time right before harvest when it's so full, and the sun is so bright. And the scripture that goes with it is just "*Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat. But if it dies, it will yield a great harvest.*" (**John 12:24**) And the sense of it to me was that God is calling us to be fully ourselves, to grow and to soak up the water that's provided for us, the good experiences in our lives, to grow and be strong. But not to stay there, because there's that grinding piece too, that can turn it into bread or to seed for the next harvest. And a scrawny piece of wheat doesn't go very far. He wants us to grow strong in Him. And there's virtue in being all that He created us to be, but there's also glory in giving it all back to Him once it's there.

PROPHECY

The word that I was just receiving is not really connected to what we've been talking about so far tonight, but He insists that I speak it so... He says, "I will manifest Myself to You in a new way. Be open and vigilant. Only those who have open hearts will recognize Me, but it will still be Me, Jesus Christ."

SENSE

What I was hearing kind of follows along with what Peggy was just saying. But I was just hearing God saying for us to let ourselves be astonished by His love. I heard Him saying, "Be astonished."

PROPHECY

I just get the words: I am building a temple, a temple of praise, a temple for healing, a temple where My love will be made manifest, a temple that calls people to come to Me, a temple mighty and glorious, a temple built by My Spirit, a temple against which evil will not stand, a temple that will manifest My glory.

PROPHECY

Go into the temple to worship, go out of the temple to praise, that others may hear My voice through you, and come back with you to worship again.

PRAYER

O Lord, Your presence wraps us all right now. We give You praise for Your word and for Your anointing which is with us.

WORD OF KNOWLEDGE / CONFIRMATION

I'd just like to offer up an intention for the week that we just really pray for those with ALS, lupus, MS and migraines this week in a special way. I just have a strong sense that God wants to give special graces to the people who are fighting those diseases and are burdened by them

in their lives, that His presence may be made manifest to them in a unique and special way, through healing and through strength, that they know He's walking the journey with them this week. (I confirm that.) Thank you. I was reluctant to throw that out there so thank you for the confirmation. Even though I've been doing this a long time, I get nervous about throwing out random stuff. I just feel like that was on my heart.

SHARING

When we were sitting in silence, something told me to look at my email. I get this thing every day, *My Utmost for His Highest*, and yesterday was God's silence. The verses: *When he heard that he (Lazarus) was sick, he stayed two more days in the place where he was.* That's **John 11:6**. Has God trusted you with His silence? A silence that has great meaning? God's silences are actually His answers. Just think of those days of absolute silence in the home at Bethany. Is there anything comparable to those days in your life? Can God trust you like that? Or are you still asking Him for visible answers? God will give you the very blessings you ask if you refuse to go any further without them. But His silence is a sign that He is bringing you into an even more wonderful understanding of Himself. Are you mourning before God because you have not had an audible response? When you cannot hear God, you will find that He has trusted you in the most intimate way possible, with absolute silence. Not a silence of despair but one of pleasure because He saw that you could withstand an even bigger revelation. If God has given you a silence, then praise Him. He's bringing you into the mainstream of His purposes. The actual evidence of the answer in time is simply a matter of God's sovereignty. Time is nothing to God. For a while you may have said, *"I asked God to give me bread but He gave me a stone instead."* (**Matthew 7:9**) *He did not give you a stone, and today you find that He gave you the bread of life.* (**John 6:35**) God bless all of you.

CONFIRMATION / EXHORTATION

I want to confirm that to you. Earlier I guess I was supposed to say something. It was actually said last week. For anyone that's going through any darkness right now, or doubt or fear, in that darkness, go toward the battle. Don't be afraid and avoid it. It seems painful when you feel God calling you there, but when you go... My husband likened it to Afghanistan and the special forces, like when the battle would start and they'd get showered with everything under the sun, they would jump in their cars and run toward the battle. I just felt like I needed to reiterate that.

