

PRAYERMENTOR PHILOSOPHY OF PRAYER

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The Purpose of Prayer

The Christian leader prays so that he may come to a place of abiding in Jesus. In that place of intimacy and oneness, Jesus lives His life in and through the Christian leader. The Christian leader bears fruit and the Father is glorified.

The Christian leader prays so that he may advance the kingdom of God. As he exerts spiritual authority he gains a position of authority over the enemy and accomplishes the work Jesus has given him to do, thereby bringing glory to the Father on earth.

The Christian leader prays in the name of Jesus so that as Jesus answers his prayers the Father is glorified in the son.

The Christian leader prays so that he may take hold of heaven's resources to live a righteous life and overcome spiritual enemies of the world, flesh and the devil.

As the Christian leader seeks first the God's kingdom and righteousness through prayer he is promised God's provision for the things he needs.

Exerting Spiritual Authority

The Christian leader has a position of authority as a member of the body of Christ, being seated with Jesus at the right hand of the Father in the heavenly realms.

The Christian leader exerts spiritual authority in accordance with the work Jesus has given him to do. To exert authority outside of this work is a dangerous thing for him, his family and ministry.

The Christian leader gains a position of authority over the powers for darkness as he persists in a work of prayer by the revelation and power of the Holy Spirit.

Life of Prayer

There are five kinds of prayer in the life of the Christian leader:

Abiding prayer - daily spiritual disciplines whereby the Christian leader comes to a place of abiding/oneness in Jesus in order to bear fruit for the Kingdom and glorify the Father.

Covering prayer - regular prayer times whereby the Christian leader intercedes for the protection, sanctification, presence of Jesus and unity of those Jesus has entrusted to him.

Anointing prayer - regular prayer efforts where the Christian leader persists in prayer to gain a position of authority over the enemy to accomplish the work Jesus has given him to do.

Waring prayer - periodic prayer efforts to war in prayer against the powers of darkness for those in crisis or to bring spiritual breakthrough in ministry.

Bearings prayer - periodic drawing away from the busyness of life for a 24 hour period of silence to hear God's direction for life and ministry.

The Christian leader seeks the leadership of the Holy Spirit to develop a life of prayer in the flow of the leader's day, week, month, quarter and year.

The Christian leader seeks the leadership of the Holy Spirit to think strategically about prayer, factoring in prayer efforts to accomplish the objectives of his ministry.

Prayer Is Everyone's Job

The Christian leader mobilizes the entire body of Christ to prayer at their level of leadership, giftedness and maturity.

People are motivated to pray when they are in crisis or captured by a kingdom vision.

The leadership team is mobilized to pray strategically for the harvest through a variety of prayer efforts.

Intercessors are mobilized as prayer partners to pray for the Christian leader and his family's protection and empowerment so he can do the work of prayer.

Intercessors are mobilized as strategic prophetic intercessors praying for spiritual break through in the harvest.

Everyone prays for the protection, sanctification, presence of Jesus and unity of their family and those Jesus' has placed in their hands.

Everyone prays for their one to three people of peace following the five prayer points of Luke 10:1-9.