### Prayer & Coffee (Week 5: Wednesday November 2, 2022)

#### **Scriptures:**

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"Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.""

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#### What is Prayer? What is Intercession?

**Prayer** is our open line of communication with God. The word of God, the Bible, tells us to pray without ceasing (1 Thessalonians 5:17). We are to pray frequently at all times. God desires for His people to communicate with Him, for He desires intimacy through relationship.

**Intercession**, is when we pray on behalf of the manifestation of God's intentions for His will to be accomplished in all things, including those things which pertain to His people, usually as it concerns a specific intention or outcome. This type of intercession is powerful, particularly when several people gather together lifting up the same intentions in prayer to God (Matthew 18:19-20).

#### What are God's Kingdom Intentions?

The will of God. His plans. His direction.

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#### **Purpose of Intercession**

God has ordained this to be His set time for prayer and intercession. For as He has ordained this time, the Holy Spirit has revealed various things in which the Father desires for us to lift up in prayer. The word of God says:

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## <u>Prayer Directives: Healing Amongst Families (God must come first, He must be a part of our family)</u>

God created the kingdom family structure, for first it was God, the Father, God, the Son, and God, the Holy Spirit. God created mankind as an extension of Himself, for there was no other creation that looked like God, except for mankind. God desires to dwell with mankind, for the bible references in the book of Genesis of how He was "walking in the garden in the cool of the day" (Genesis 3:8). God created family and created mankind to be a part of His family, and it is important that we, as believers remember to honor God and keep Him not only at the forefront of our family, but also to honor and recognize God as being a part of our family.

God's family structure has been under attack by satan from the beginning. When temptation drew near to Adam and Eve from the serpent, the enemy's goal was to bring not just division and confusion amongst Adam and Eve, but division between God and mankind. And, since then the enemy, satan, has been working in overdrive to divide mankind, using sin as a barrier to keep mankind away from God.

God is aware of the enemy's tactics and it is through Jesus Christ that we, as believers, especially our families, have access to the Father. For Jesus says that "No one comes to the Father except through Me" (John 14:6). Jesus said that anyone "who has seen Me has seen the Father" (John 14:9). We are able to go to the Father because of Jesus Christ, because He is the "propitiation for our sins."

Since God has laid the foundation and Jesus having came and fulfilled the law and God's promises, opens it up for we, His people, to have an intimate relationship with the Father. God desires for His creation to include Him in everything, including our family dynamics. The Father wants His people to submit their family dynamics, disagreements, and inadequacies to Him. God desires for families to be healed during this time and season. Some healing requires the breaking of generational curses and strongholds. God wants His people to lean on Him and to trust that He will break all generational curses and strongholds. Unity amongst families within their own households will bring an even greater unity to God's kingdom family, which includes the church body of Christ, the bride.

The steps to healing must start with Him, which requires submission to Jesus Christ, where we lay down everything and give it to God and expect Him, meaning we must have great faith to believe that God will move, to bring healing to our family dynamics and circumstances.

For the word of God says that by His stripes we are healed (Isaiah 53:5). Not just healed in our physical bodies, but healed of hurt, harm, and pain that may exist in certain family dynamics.

The Lord wants families to do this:

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# Areas of Prayer Focus: Healing Amongst Families (God must come first, He must be a part of our family)

- -Pray that families submit to God in all things
- -Pray that families receive spiritual, physically, and financially healing from the Lord, for by His stripes, families are healed in the name of Jesus
- -Pray that families honor and recognize God as being a part of their families, as God recognizes His people as being a part of His kingdom family

Prayer Request?

Pray Discussion/Testimony/Close Out