

## **Prayer and Promises**

We all live in God's already fixed absolute "truth", and all peoples who believe Christ and are born again, when they accept Christ, already used Jesus' blood to establish "eternal covenant" with God. When a person receives this perspective of "truth and promises", he can then restore realistic communication in between with God.

### **1. The prayers of many Christians are casual requesting that are not in accordance to the principles of prayer**

- 1) Pray in the state of disbelief or doubts <Jas 1:6-8>
- 2) Is not on the basis of "truth", but pray in the state of superstition and blind faith <Jn 4:20, 5:7>
- 3) Cannot communicate two-way with God under the conviction of the Holy Spirit, but only do "one-way and repetitive" prayers <Mt 6:7>
- 4) Often do self-centered prayers, asking because of lust of the flesh, lust of the eyes and pride of life <Jas 4:3>
- 5) Praying without knowing how to discern between "those that has already received and those that will be received" <Mt 6:8, 33>
- 6) Pray for the self to get consolation or to let people hear <Mt 6:5-6>
- 7) Often bound by rituals and commandments
- 8) Because they have no way to see God's guidance and plan, they cannot receive power during prayers <Mt 26:36-46>
- 9) After prayers, there is no expectation and assurance towards receiving answers

### **2. Prayers should be established upon God's predetermined reality**

- 1) God is with all creation, and dominate all <1Ch 29:10-12>
- 2) Through "God's word" created all things, every jot and stroke of God's word must all be fulfilled <Mt 5:17-18>
- 3) All of God's mysteries and power are all in the "Name of Jesus Christ". <Col 1:15-22>
- 4) The Holy Spirit guides God's people twenty-four hours and gives power to them <Jn 14:26-27>
- 5) All these mysteries of God enters into my life <1Co 3:16>
- 6) The angels and the heavenly troops of God always protect, minister to me <Heb 1:14; Mt 18:10>
- 7) People of the world do not know God, was bounded by Satan because of sin, lead helpless and harassed living <Eph 2:1-3>
- 8) In my living fields, frequently carry out events of "saving God's people, establishing God's kingdom" <Ac 1:8>
- 9) My earthly days are already determined, and it carries eternal meaning in every moment of my daily life <Heb 9:27; Rev 22:12>
- 10) The eternal kingdom is already prepared for me, will enjoy glory together with God eternally in the times ahead <Rev 22:1-5>

### **3. Prayer should be established on "the covenant established between God and me (God's bestowed promises)"**

- 1) God establishes covenant with me saying, "God will be with you eternally through God's word and the Holy Spirit" <Jn 14:16-20>

- 2) God establishes covenant with me saying, “God guides you eternally in working all things for good” <Ro 8:28, Jn 14:26>
  - 3) God establishes covenant with me saying, “When you call upon me, I will answer; If you ask, it will be given to you” <Mt 7:7>
  - 4) God establishes covenant with me saying, “I have bestowed on you the authority and power that can certainly triumph” <Lk 10:19>
  - 5) God blessed me saying, “I will bless all peoples through you, making them receive life, receive healing, become disciples” <Mt 28:18-20>
- \* *We also establishes covenant with God saying, “I believe God’s bestowed promises, and will everyday discover God’s leading, willingly joyfully submit and follow, manifest God’s glory through my whole life, and to bless all peoples”*

**4. Prayers established on “truth” and “promises” are extremely clear-cut, and are concrete and practical**

- 1) Because the basis is on God’s word, the prayers possess extremely clear-cut and practical content of faith
- 2) Should not be asking “Lord, be with me”, instead believe and see “the reality that God is always with me”, and then converse with God on all occasions
- 3) Should not be asking “Lord, guide me!”, instead always concretely discover God’s guidance and joyfully submit
- 4) Because believing the eternal kingdom and the apportioned blessings of this era are already received, prayers should possess the content that matches this apportioned blessings
- 5) Not that after prayers and petitions, we still fear and doubt, instead firmly believe the promise that “prayers will certainly receive answers”, joyfully await
- 6) Prayers of “repentance and cleansing of sins” done in promises, will surely bring out power to overcome sin in the future
- 7) Knowing that I am a person who is greatly loved, will very naturally bring about great love towards parts of Christ’s body and the church, have power to forgive the weaknesses of parts of Christ’s body and often intercede
- 8) By believing that Christ’s already victorious authority is on me, therefore in any hardships and problems, confirm the “triumphant reason”, and proclaim freedom
- 9) Therefore during prayers, it is very natural to be Holy Spirit-filled, intellect-filled and power-filled
- 10) Because often experience the might and blessings of prayers, will thus like to pray very much