



SOTERIA

ARE YOU LISTENING?

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Prayer

I resist the temptation to settle into religious complacency - that place where I am satisfied with what I already know.

Lord, You have much more to teach me. Lead me by your Holy Spirit on an adventure of fresh excitement in obtaining a greater measure of spiritual reality and a closer relationship with You. I refuse to get stuck in a rut. Therefore I will keep on asking, seeking and knocking, and I will keep on moving.

I press on to lay hold of, and make my own that which Christ Jesus has laid hold of me and made me His own.

Philippians 3:12

Your heart is a Garden

Proverbs 4:18-27

To keep your heart intact you have to protect **the gates** leading to your heart:

- **Mouth, ears - verse 24**

What are you listening to? What are you saying?

And He said to them, Be careful what your are hearing. The measure of thought and study you give to the truth you hear will be the measure of virtue and knowledge that comes back to you- and more besides will be given to you who hear.

Mark 4: 24

- **Eyes - verse 25**

What are you focusing on? Do you still have a mental picture of your dream? Or have you started looking to the natural?

Different seeds enter your heart through these gates, what will it produce?

Matthew 13: 13-15

God gave us free choice from the beginning.

The question would be: Do we tend to choose our flesh?

If you *actively choose* to not see or hear, you are a VOLUNTEER.

To volunteer is to make a choice out of the soul/emotional realm that only benefits the flesh and not the spirit.

Any human consists of three parts:

- Spirit
- Soul
- Body

Which part should be in control?

If you choose to do... or not to do, you have to work out certain consequences. The power is completely in our hands!

Do not hear the Word-----^{Time}→dull-----^{Time}→Mentally Incapacitated (Paralyzed)

Hebrews 5:11-14

Tru's Conclusion:

The spiritual condition you are at is determined by the sum total of the mental decisions you have been making.

The spiritual outcome of many mental decisions is spiritual immaturity which is directly linked to being mentally immature.

Hebrews 13:5 calls this immaturity **unskilled in the doctrine of righteousness**.

A person unskilled in righteousness does not:

- **Know how to exercise his right as a son of God**
- **Walk in authority**
- **Walk in anointing**
- **Execute the will of the Father on the earth (Man exercising his legal authority on earth to invoke heaven's influence on the planet)**

Anointing only comes through the process of practicing authority or dominion that comes through obedience to righteousness.

The power is in our hands

We have the power to complete our own cycle by free will.

Are we at the place where we need to be taught the first principles of the gospel?

Psalm 106:25-40

Have we become so blinded that we blame God and Moses (Stephen), or even start questioning the Word for our condition?

Deuteronomy 30:10-20

If we do the Word, we will reap the harvest of the Word.

The question would be:

Is your MIND at the state where you can still HEAR (discern) the voice of God? Or have you incapacitated (paralyzed) it to the extent where you have become dull in your senses, and your heart is waxed?

Matthew 13:15

If we turn, we will be healed!

That will be the ultimate starting point: to TURN!

How do I start exercising my Rights in this Kingdom?

We operate in this Kingdom of seed, through a culture of love; in an atmosphere of hope ; executed by the currency of faith.

Behold, a sower went out to sow.

The sower sows the Word.

Mark 4: 14

The Kingdom of God is based on the principle of **seed**. The Word is incorruptible seed, seed that **always** works.

We were created to carry out God's purposes in the earth through dominion.

God said, Let us (Father, Son and Holy Spirit) make mankind in Our image, after Our likeness, and let them have complete authority... over all the earth...

Genesis 1:26(Amplified)

God said, Let us make man in Our image, in our likeness, and let them rule...

Genesis 1:26 (NKJV)

Amazingly, man was created not only to have relationship with God, but also to share God's authority.

You made him ruler over the works of Your hands; You put everything under his feet.

Psalm 8:8

The highest heavens belong to the Lord, but the earth He has given to man.

Psalm 115:16

We were created out of God's very essence, His Spirit, manifested in bodily form to rule in the physical realm of earth. However, the **relationship of love** that God established with mankind is not separate from the **purpose** God has for mankind. Rather, the relationship is foundational to the purpose.

God didn't create man for heaven. He created man for the earth.

- Myles Munroe

So:

We are **a creative force** backed up by **the speaking Spirit!**
The WORDS we use are SEEDS, incorruptible seed that cannot ever fail!

The dominion we execute through our living depends completely on the seeds we are willing to plant from our rightful place as sons of God.

We can function in the purposes for which we were created only as we are **connected** to our Source. Our dominion is based on our relationship with God.

For if because of one man's trespass death reigned through that one, much more surely will those who receive God's overflowing grace and the free gift of righteousness (putting them into right standing with Himself) reign as kings in life through the one man Jesus Christ (the Messiah, the Anointed One.)

Romans 5:17 (Amplified)

Behold, I have given you authority and power to trample upon serpents and scorpions, and (physical and mental strength and ability) over all the power that the enemy (possesses); and nothing shall in any way harm you.

Luke 10:19 (Amplified)

BECAUSE OF JESUS:

...I have to start using my authority
...whatever I need, I command it to come!
...I don't have to go through anything!
...there will not be any authority in any situation except the one I have!
...I have power over **ALL** the ability of the enemy!
...walking on serpents is my birth right secured in the blood of Jesus
...like Adam I will make the devil kiss the dust!
...**supernatural power is breaking out** through trained sons of God!
...the adversary is completely under my feet!
...I will come out victorious because of Your blood
...I will fight the good fight of faith!

Having dominion means that we need to spread God's presence, light and truth throughout the world.

Until:

The earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea.

Isaiah 11:9

Praying is one way to sow seeds of light and truth

Prayer is the earthly license for heavenly interference.

- **Myles Munroe**

*Our Father in heaven,
Hallowed be Your name.
Your kingdom come.
Your will be done
On earth as it is in heaven.*

Matthew 6:9,10

It is essential for God's will to be done in the earth, thus prayer is mandatory (not optional) for spiritual progress and victory in our individual lives and in the world at large. God's plan is for man to desire what He desires, to will what He wills and to ask Him to accomplish His purposes in the world so that goodness and truth may reign rather than evil and darkness.

To know God's plans and purposes, we have to maintain oneness of heart with God. We represent God's interests only when we have a close relationship with Him.

Our assurance in prayer is based on our **knowing and doing** God's will:

This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us- whatever we ask- we know that we have what we asked of Him.

1 John 5:14-15

We must always **seek** to be in agreement with God's will so that His purposes can reign in the earth. This is the essence of exercising dominion.

When we stop praying, we allow God's purposes for the world to be hindered.

Jesus taught his disciples:

...that they ought always to pray and not to turn coward (faint, lose heart, and give up)

Luke 18:1

He also said:

I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; and whatever you bind (declare unlawful) on earth must be what is already bound in heaven; and whatever you loose (declare lawful) on earth must be what is already loosed in heaven.

Matthew 16:19 (Amplified)