

But prayer without passion is a mere religious exercise — Isa. 29:13

- ✓ **Passion is what empowers our fervency in prayer — Jms. 5:17-18/Rom. 12:11-12**
- ✓ **Passion is the missing link in the prayer of most believers today**

What is Passion as it relates to prayer? We must have to answer the following questions;

- **Do I really want what I am praying for? — Mak. 11:24**
- **How genuinely/heartily do I want it? — Isa. 26:9/2Chr. 15:12-15/Jer. 30:19-21**
- **And how passionate/desperate am I about having it — Gen. 32:24-28/ 1Kgs. 18:41-46**

While praying kingdom advancement prayer remains the priority in the prayer life of believers as taught by Christ. Our various intercessory prayer guidelines shall be most helpful in this regard.

However, this is without prejudice to making specific demands on subjects of interest to us such as help in time of need, light on the way forward, divine direction on the right way to go, divine wisdom on how to go about a given ask, increasing empowerment to ward off all oppositions of hell and access to divine encounters etc.

Remember, always that God is not looking for who to use, but who to bless and God who sees our commitment in secret has vowed to bless us openly.

Remain ever blessed

Jesus is Lord!



A call to **BUILDING A PRAYER CULTURE**

- **It is the platform for our Continuous Change of Story — Psa. 84:7/ Heb. 4:16**
- **Prayer does not only change things, prayer changes people — Exo. 34:29**
- **We must recognize that believers are God's building — 1Cor.3:9/16**
- **Every house of God is ordained a house of prayer — Matt. 21:30 / Mrk. 11:19**
- **This is why prayer is ordained the culture of every believer — Matt.6:6/ 9-13/ 43-45**
- **We all have a responsibility to build a prayer culture as individuals — Heb. 3:4**
- **The Prayer culture of the following caused them to excel supernaturally:**
 - ✓ **David — Psa. 55:17 / 1Sam. 30:6-9 / 17-18 / 2Sam. 5:18-26**
 - ✓ **Daniel — Dan. 2:6-19 / 23-30 / 46/ Dan. 6:1-3/10/20-23/28**
 - ✓ **Paul the Apostle — Rom. 1:19/ Gal. 4:19/ 2Cor. 6:5 / 2Cor. 11:27**
- **Here is the process that guarantees access on the prayer altar**

✓ **Prayer must begin with a desire** — *Mrk. 11:24 / Mrk. 7:7-11*

✓ **We must engage our hearts to secure audience in prayer** — *Jer.29:13/Jer. 30:19-21 / Isa. 26:9*

✓ **But desperation or passion is a must for delivery** — *Gen.32:24-28/1Kgs.18:41-46/ Luk.18:32-33*

➤ **From scriptures, we understand that the church is called to build upon the foundation of Apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the corner stone** — *Eph. 2:19-20*

➤ **We saw how the early church built a strong prayer culture and the gates of hell could not stop that church from growing** — *Act.2:46-47/ Act. 3:1/ Act. 4:29-33/ Act.12:5*

➤ **In addition, prayer and fasting was their culture** — *Act. 13:1-3/ 2Cor. 6:5/ 2Cor. 11:27*

➤ **The example of Paul on the subject of prayer culture. His personal testimony** — *1Thes.1:2-3 / Eph. 3:14-20/ Gal. 4:19*

✓ **He taught the church to pray without ceasing** — *1Thes 5:17/ Eph. 6:18-19/ Phil. 4:6-7*

➤ **Christ, our perfect example on the subject of prayer culture:**

✓ **Began His mission with prayer and finished His mission with prayer** — *Luk. 3:21-23/ Luk. 6:12-13/ Luk. 9:28-35/ Luk. 22:39-45*

✓ **Christ taught us to pray and fast as a lifestyle** — *Mat.6:6/9-10/17-18/Luk.18:1/8/Luk.5:33-35*

This is why everyone of us must endeavour to build a prayer culture in advancing the kingdom as a lifestyle — *Lev. 6:12-13/ Mat. 6:9-10*

Furthermore, we should all understand that:

1.As long as the kingdom of God must keep advancing, the prayer tempo of the church must have to be on the rise — *Mat. 16:18/ Mat. 6:33*

2.As long as the church must continue to grow, prayer must have to continue — *Act 6:4-7*

3.As long as the unsaved souls remain on our streets, intercessory prayers for their salvation must have to continue — *1 Tim. 2:1-4*

4.As long as there are still men and women yet to be established in the faith, our prayer must have to continue to go up — *Col. 4:12*

5.As long as the wicked is still holding some believers in captivity, prayer must have to continue for their release — *Phi. 1:19/ Act 12:5-11*

6.As long as word must continue to increase for sustainable growth and impact, prayer must have to continue — *Act6:4/7/Act.19:8-12 /20/ Act. 13:44*

7. As long as believers need healing and deliverance, prayer must have to continue for their rescue — *Jam. 5:14-16*

8.As long as believers are in need of breakthroughs in any area(s) of life, prayer must have to continue on their behalf — *Gal. 6:2/ Eph. 6:18*

9.As long as the wicked continues to do more wickedly, vengeance prayer must have to continue more fervently to stop the way against the devil and his agents — *Ps 7:9-13/ Ps. 94:1/ Ps 4:27/ Luk. 18:1-8*

10.As long as more labourers are required on the harvest field, our prayer must have to continue to go up — *Mat. 9:34-38*

11.As long as we must continue to have signs and wonders in the church, prayer must have to continue to keep it manifest — *Act 4:30-33 / Jhn. 4: 38*

12.As long as evil continues to abound in our various nations, intercessory prayer must have to continue to avert the wrath of God — *Gen. 18:20-32/ Mal. 3:6*