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# EFFECTIVE PRAYERS FOR BELIEVERS

— PART ONE —

*How to Bind and Loose with Ease*

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(Part One)**

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# Dedication

**T**o the Almighty God and to all members of House  
of Prayer Ministries for all Nations Worldwide.



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# Introduction

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his book of Prayer is the first in the series to come.

It explains how prayer can be effectively used by believers for fruitful life. Every believer has a life assignment, that is, the purpose for which he was created. Failure to meet the expected target of life is a sin. Prayer is the guide and the guardian that is required by every believer for a successful purpose driven life. It is hoped that this book will bless you, bless your ministry and your family.

# Chapter 1

## What is **PRAYER**







## What is prayer?

**P**rayer has been variously described as worship addressed to God, petition, supplication, request, entreaty, pleading, inquisition and others. Prayer is something more than all these. Indeed, prayer is like the gasoline and lubricant which power the spiritual vehicle of the believer towards his life assignment and destiny. The Holy Spirit directs our spiritual vehicle. Prayer unites and harmonizes us with the Holy Spirit. In other word, prayer is walking with God.

### Walking with God

In walking with God in prayer, the Holy Spirit...

#### i. **Directs our steps.**

*"O LORD, I know that the way of man is not in himself: it is not in man that walketh to direct his steps." (Jeremiah 10:23)*

**ii. Regulates the speed of the walk.**

*"I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with mine eye. Be ye not as the horse, or as the mule, which have no understanding: whose mouth must be held in with bit and bridle, lest they come near unto thee."*  
(Psalms 32:8-9)

**iii. Harmonizes our walk with those of other co-walkers with God.**

*"And five of you shall chase an hundred, and an hundred of you shall put ten thousand to flight: and your enemies shall fall before you by the sword."* (Leviticus 26:8)

Prayer can therefore be likened figuratively to the connection between the stem and the branches of a tree. Water and minerals pass to the branches through the stem while food are made in the leaves and sent through the branches to the stem. The branches are believers while the stem is Jesus Christ, also referred to as the Vine. Jesus is the believers' link or connection through whom they are spiritually nourished. Believers become spiritually starved once they are cut off or disconnected from Him. A prayerless life can be likened to the severance of the branch from the stem. David described his prayer life as follows:

*“As the hart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after thee, O God. My soul thirsteth for God, for the living God: when shall I come and appear before God?” (Psalms 42:1-2)*

Prayer is not a tool for occasional use. It is the “Jacob’s ladder” that links us through the heavenly realm to God.

Jesus presented himself as “Jacob’s ladder” when He spoke to Nathaniel as follows:

*“And he saith unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto you, hereafter ye shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man.” (John 1:51)*

### **Jacob’s Ladder**

Jacob in his days dreamt and saw the ladder that reaches up to heaven.

*“And he dreamed, and behold a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven: and behold the angels of God ascending and descending on it.” (Genesis 28:12)*

In actual fact, the Lord Jesus is the prayer, the very link that reconciles man with God (2 Corinthians 5:18a). It is upon Him that ‘Angels’ take our petitions to God.

When we have prayed and said Amen, it is the same thing as saying through our Lord Jesus Christ.

In prayer and with prayer, the believer governs the earth in accordance with the desires of the heavens. It is through prayer that the believer regains his divine authority of dominion and sovereignty over his environment and situations. With prayer, believers are in subjection to God while the world is in subjection to them.

## **TWO DIMENSIONS IN PRAYER**

A Believer's prayer has two parts; the first is the power-drawing otherwise known as *supplication*. It is the process by which the petitioner is energized and empowered with enough ability to prevail in an incoming spiritual encounter. The second is when the will of God is enforced and effected by the believer with divine authority otherwise known as *dominion*.

### **Power of Dominion**

What we exercise when we pray is the power of dominion that Adam and Eve lost in Eden. This power was fully restored to believers at Pentecost. Before Jesus ascended the heaven, He told the disciples about the power of dominion as follows:

*“But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me*

*both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.” (Acts 1:8)*

Upon receipt of this power, the Believer becomes a new creature with the power of attorney to execute the judgment of God as the authentic representative of Christ on earth. It is through prayer that the believer exercises his right and privileges over his situation and environment.

The superiority of God’s power over that of the world was demonstrated in the encounter between Elijah, the prophet and eight hundred and fifty prophets of Baal and Asherah. The process of prayer consisting of power-drawing and execution is also explained with the action of Elijah on the occasion. Elijah was alone with a bullock while the prophets of Baal and Asherah also had a bullock. Elijah first went through the act of worship where he repaired the Altar of the Lord after which he went ahead to draw the power and authority needed to prevail.

*“And it came to pass at the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice, that Elijah the prophet came near, and said, LORD God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, let it be known this day that thou art God in Israel, and that I am thy servant, and that I have done all these things at thy word. Hear me, O LORD, hear me, that this people may know that thou art the LORD God,*

*and that thou hast turned their heart back again.”  
(1 kings 18:36-37)*

Having drawn the authority this way, Prophet Elijah called down fire and prevailed. We should however notice that his motive was to demonstrate the superiority of the power of God over that of Baal and Asherah.

*“And when all the people saw it, they fell on their faces: and they said, The LORD, he is the God; the LORD, he is the God.” (1 Kings 18:39)*

Supplication consists of subjection, submission and obedience. What is received depends on what is needed at any given time to prevail. For example, what Solomon required was wisdom to be able to rule God's people successfully with the fear of God and in supplication, wisdom was released to him.

*“Give me now wisdom and knowledge that I may go out and come in before this people: for who can judge this thy people that is so great?” (2 Chronicles 1:10)*

Men of God like Hezekiah, Jehoshaphat and Joshua have done things that produced supernatural results after they have secured the needed authority and power through their supplications. It is when we are loaded with the authority from prayers that we can





## ABOUT THE BOOK

**E**ffective Prayer is the prayer that brings results. This book tells of the technique of prayer. Prayer is made on the understanding that every object or matter animate or inanimate has its spirit dimension. For example if I pray for my car against theft it implies that my car exist spiritually otherwise, prayer will not affect it.

We must also know that prayer could be a mere manipulation of spiritual forces for a desired result. That a prayer was answered is not an indication that the prayer is right in the sight of God. Sometimes prayers are answered to the detriment of the petitioner as it was in the case of Hezekiah.

Another fact is about the effort required for effective prayer. Our relationship with God determines the efficacy of our prayer and the effort we need to accomplish our desires. All the above and other principles of prayer will be learnt in this book.



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