

Prayer Update 1046

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God's Word for this week ... Jesus said to His disciples,

- “Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.” For many people were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. (Mark 6:31)
- “Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.” (Matthew 11:28)
- “Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you.” (Luke 11:9)

The Presence of the Lord

It is relatively easy to pray, and especially to ask God for things we, or other people, need. But we also need to know the presence, and hear the words, of the Lord!

Where two or three people are gathered together in the name of Jesus, He is there among them. (Matthew 18:20)

Samuel, as a boy, was told by Eli that when he heard the Lord calling his name, he was to say, “Speak, Lord, for Your servant is listening.” And when Samuel did, God spoke to him. (1 Samuel 3:9-10)

Isaiah saw the Lord on a throne, high and lifted up ... And the angels cried, “Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty; the whole earth is full of His glory.” Later the Lord said, “Who shall I send, and who will go for us?” Isaiah said, “Here am I, send me.” And the Lord said, “Go...” (Isaiah 6:9)

Peter, James, John were led by Jesus up a high mountain, and there they had a revelation of His glory and majesty. Out from a bright cloud a voice said, “This is My Son, the Beloved; with Him I am well pleased; listen to Him!” (Matthew 17:1-8)

The disciples were given a prophetic promise just before Jesus ascended to Heaven – Go into all the world and preach the Good News to everyone, everywhere. I will be with you wherever you go. ... You shall receive power after the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you shall be witnesses to Me...” (Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 1:8)

The believers, at Pentecost, were filled with the Holy Spirit and went and proclaimed the Gospel to people of many nations, and many people came to the Lord. (Acts 2:1-11)

God was revealed to these people; they heard and obeyed!

Samuel **heard** the voice of the Lord. Isaiah **saw** the Lord. Peter, James, John had a **revelation** of Jesus. The disciples were given a **prophetic promise**. The believers were **baptised in the Spirit** and went out in His power to share the Good News – everywhere!

PRAY that Christians everywhere (including yourself and in your church) will have a revelation of God, His word, His Spirit, and His power to effectively pray and witness to the people He sends us to; to tell them of the love of God, His Son Jesus, and His Holy Spirit.

PRAY for a very needy and lost world, full of fears, sin and evil, ignorant of our Creator and Lord, and often not interested in Him, His Word or His ways. Pray against the deception and lies of the evil one who seeks to prevent their salvation.

PRAY for ‘labourers’ to go out, sow good seed in fertile soil, and reap a great harvest.

Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved. But how are they to call on One in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in One of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim Him? And how are they to proclaim Him unless they are sent? How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news! (Romans 10:13-15).
