

40 DAYS OF PRAYER PART III
“POSITIONED FOR EFFECTIVE PRAYER”
OCTOBER 24-25, 2020

INTRODUCTION

- Our world is hurting and morally sick.
- The world needs healing; how do you pray for that?
- 3000 years ago God made King Solomon a promise in II Chronicles 7:14 and it is often misused.

I. A ROAD MAP FOR HEALING PRAYER

- II Chronicles 7:14, “If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.”
 - This is not a promise for everybody.
 - “If My people” - who are they?
 - Matthew 12:46-50, “...Anybody who obeys My Father in heaven and does His will...”
 - Four conditions that must be met:
Humility, praying (asking), seeking, turning
- 1st - Be real about your need.
- Be honest that you need help. Humble yourself.
 - Psalm 25:9, “God leads the humble in the right way, and He teaches them His will.”
 - Matthew 11:29, “...For I am gentle and I am humble...”

II. THE KEY TO THE KINGDOM IS ASKING

2nd - Ask and ask some more.

- Everywhere the Bible says ask.

- John 16:23-24, “...ask and you will receive, so that your joy may be made full.”
- Why ask? It all has to do with relationship.
- How do you learn to trust Him?
- I have a need and I express my need then He meets it and I learn to trust Him.
- Ask in Jesus’ name, it has to do with His character.
- Yeshua = God Yahweh saves
- John 14:12-15, “...If you ask Me anything in My name, I will do it...”

III. SEEKING GOD

3rd - Seek after God, chase after Him.

- Prayer is about relationship, asking is about relationship, drawing near to the Father.
- Humble yourselves, pray (ask), seek My face; not a miracle or an answer, but your Father’s face.
- Proverbs 8:17, “...those who seek Me find Me.”
- Hebrews 11:6, “God rewards those who earnestly seek Him.”
- Earnestly is crucial, with your whole heart.

IV. TURN TO HIM

4th - Turn to Him - “turn from their wicked ways”

- You don’t turn from something to nothing, but to Him.
- Isaiah 17:10, “You have forgotten the God who saves you...”
- New Testament - To turn is metanoia = turn your mind, your thinking, that is repentance.
- Acts 3:19, “Repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out so that times of refreshing may come from the Lord.”