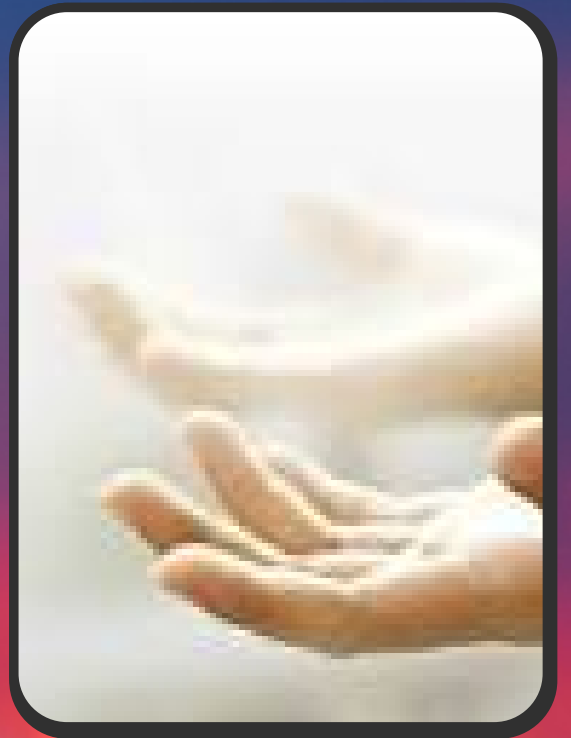


21 Days of Breakthrough Prayer and Fasting Week 3



One person fasting is powerful. It will affect that individual.

But when a group of people begin to fast, it is multiplied strength and power.



P.U.S.H

Luke 18:1 One day Jesus told his disciples a story to show that they should always pray and never give up.

P.U.S.H stands for "Pray Until Something Happens". In Luke 18, Jesus told his disciples a parable about an unjust judge who neither feared God nor cared about people. A widow came to him **repeatedly**, saying, "Give me justice in this dispute with my enemy." The judge ignored her for a while, but eventually granted her request because of her persistence.

Isaiah 62:6-7 "O Jerusalem, I have posted watchmen on your walls; they will **pray day and night, continually**. Take no rest, all you who pray to the Lord. Give the Lord no rest **until** he completes his work, **until** he makes Jerusalem the pride of the earth.

The time to stop praying is "until". We need to keep persevering in our prayer until we see the breakthrough.

Prayer

Father, give me the grace of supplication, that I would have the fervency and persistence to pray until I see the breakthrough.





War

1 Timothy 1:18 This charge I commit to you, son Timothy, according to the prophecies previously made concerning you, that by them you may wage the good warfare.

Prayer is primarily about conflict; a conflict between the Kingdom of God and the Kingdom of Satan; a conflict between the flesh and the spirit.

Paul exhorted Timothy to war in prayer to have his life lined up with the prophetic words he has received. Paul was reminding Timothy that the prophetic destiny that God wills for our lives, our church and our city will not happen automatically. They will not happen without prayer. The enemy will use every strategy and scheme to derail, distract and devastate our prophetic destiny.

Today, revisit some of the prophetic words that you have received over your life and the church, and pray over them fervently.

Prayer

Lord, thank you for the prophetic destiny you have for me (list some of the prophetic promises). Lord, quicken the fulfilment of those words right now in Jesus' name.





Altar at Bethel

Genesis 28:16-18 Then Jacob awoke from his sleep and said, "Surely the Lord is in this place, and I wasn't even aware of it!" But he was also afraid and said, "What an awesome place this is! It is none other than the house of God, the very gateway to heaven!" The next morning Jacob got up very early. He took the stone he had rested his head against, and he set it upright as a memorial pillar. Then he poured olive oil over it. He named that place Bethel (which means "house of God"), although it was previously called Luz.

An altar is a place of encounter. In 2 Kings 2, before Elijah was taken up to heaven, he and Elisha visited several places - Bethel, Gilgal, Jericho and Jordan. Each of those places was significant because an altar was established there.

Abraham, Jacob's grandfather, first set up an altar at Bethel. Years later, Jacob found himself a fugitive, running away from Esau, whom he cheated. He was resting in this place. That night, he had a dream of a stairway from earth up to heaven and the angels of the Lord going up and down the stairway. He got up and proclaim, "This is the house of God, the very gateway into heaven" and he built an altar there, and named it Bethel, the house of God.

An altar that is built through consistent prayers and worship will open up a portal into heaven over that place.

Prayer

Father, I pray for a fresh hunger and desire to seek you and to study your word.





Altar of Gilgal

Joshua 4:20 It was there at Gilgal that Joshua piled up the twelve stones taken from the Jordan River.

Joshua 5:9 Then the Lord said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away the shame of your slavery in Egypt." So that place has been called Gilgal to this day.

The altar at Gilgal speaks of the rolling away of reproach. The word "reproach" means "ridicule, derision and shame". It refers to the shame and ridicule the Israelites suffered as slaves in Egypt. And now, through circumcision, God cut off and rolled away their past.

As we come before the altar (God's presence), we must remember Christ himself, the perfect lamb of God who was sacrificed for us. His blood cleansed us from all sins when we received Him as our Lord and Saviour. We are now a new creation in God - the past is gone and all have become new.

Hebrews 10: 19-25 (TPT) And now we are brothers and sisters in God's family because of the blood of Jesus, and he welcomes us to come into the most holy sanctuary in the heavenly realm—boldly and without hesitation. For our hearts have been sprinkled with blood to remove impurity, and we have been freed from an accusing conscience. Now we are clean, unstained, and presentable to God inside and out!

Prayer

Lord, thank you for the precious blood of Jesus that has cleansed me from my sins. I rebuke every voice of accusation from the enemy, knowing that your blood has cleansed me and made me acceptable before you.





Altar at Jericho

Joshua 6:15, 20 On the seventh day, they got up at daybreak and marched around the city seven times in the same manner, except that on that day they circled the city seven times. The seventh time around, as the priests sounded the long blast on their horns, Joshua commanded the people, "Shout! For the Lord has given you the town! When the people heard the sound of the rams' horns, they shouted as loud as they could. Suddenly, the walls of Jericho collapsed, and the Israelites charged straight into the town and captured it.

The battle at Jericho was indeed a battle won by faith and the power of God. There is no such strategy in any military manual - to send an army marching in silence around a heavily fortified city.

God instructed the children of Israel to march round the city once a day for six days and on the seventh day, they were to march round the city seven times. The number "seven" speaks of completion. When we pray, we must not give up at "six". The number "six" in the Bible speaks of "man's ways or methods". When we come before the altar, we must persist and not give up until total completion and breakthrough.

Prayer

Lord, today, I pray over every Jericho, every seemingly impossible situation in my life and surround it with prayer. I know that if I do not give up, I will see the fulfilment of your promises.





Altar at Jordan

Joshua 4:9 Joshua also set up another pile of twelve stones in the middle of the Jordan, at the place where the priests who carried the Ark of the Covenant were standing. And they are there to this day.

The altar at Jordan speaks of the miraculous power of God. That pile of stone will forever remind the children of Israel how God dried up the river the moment the priests stepped into the river.

It was the last place Elijah and Elisha visited before Elijah was taken up to heaven. After Elisha received the mantle from his master, he came back to Jordan and struck the water with Elijah's cloak. The river divided and Elisha went across. It is a place of supernatural manifestation.

We need to build an altar of supernatural encounters where we begin to see healings, deliverance and supernatural provisions taking place.

Prayer

Lord, I declare that nothing is impossible for you. You can make a way even where there seem to be no way.





Unity

Acts 2:1 When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place.

There is tremendous power when believers pray together in one accord. Psalm 133 says that there is a commanded blessing when brothers dwell together in unity. When it ceases to be about "me" and become "we", there is a special anointing released.

In John 17, when Jesus prayed his last prayer, Jesus prayed five times the same prayer request - make them one. He knows that if the Devil can divide us, he can conquer us. This is true in every marriage, family, church and nation.

Battlecry at the Suncorp Stadium is happening tomorrow, 14 June. Let us all come in unity to pray for our city and nation.*

As we come to the end of our 21 days of prayer and fasting, let us remind ourselves that prayer and fasting should not be a program, but a lifestyle, a discipline, a delight and a desire of all believers. We declare the "reward of God" to all those who diligently seek Him.

Prayer

Father, I pray for unity in my family, my church and in all churches even right now. I pray that through my words and actions, I can help build the unity in my family and church.

*Battlecry is an annual prayer rally held at Suncorp Stadium. The vision is to pray for revival in our city, state and nation.

Registration is required to attend the event. Tickets are free. For more information, check out the Battlecry website - www.battlecrybrisbane.org.

