



## THE MINISTRY OF INTERCESSION

*"THE PRAYER OF A RIGHTEOUS PERSON IS POWERFUL AND EFFECTIVE. Elijah was a human being, even as we are. He PRAYED EARNESTLY that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years."*  
James 5:16-17 (NIV)

**Our world will radically change when God's people get engaged in the \_\_\_\_\_.**

### WHAT IS THE MINISTRY INTERCESSION?

- **Intercession is \_\_\_\_\_.**

*"I urge you, first of all, to PRAY for all people. Ask God to help them; INTERCEDE on their behalf, and give thanks for them. Pray this way for kings and all who are in authority so that we can live peaceful and quiet lives... This is good and pleases God our Savior, who wants everyone to be saved and to understand the truth."* 1 Timothy 2:1-4 (NLT)

**Intercession is a unique "GEAR" of prayer that takes up the needs of \_\_\_\_\_.**

- **Intercession is the \_\_\_\_\_.**

*"During his earthly life Christ offered both requests and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death and he was heard because of his devotion."* Hebrews 5:7 (NET)

*"Therefore he is able, once and forever, to save those who come to God through him. HE LIVES FOREVER TO INTERCEDE with God on their behalf."*  
Hebrews 7:25 (NLT)

- **Intercession is spiritual \_\_\_\_\_.**

*"We're not waging war against enemies of flesh and blood alone. No, this fight is against tyrants, against authorities, against supernatural powers and demon princes that slither in the darkness of this world, and against wicked spiritual armies that lurk about in heavenly places."* Eph. 6:12 (TVT)

### INTERCESSION (Cont'd)

**Intercession is the key to \_\_\_\_\_ in your life.**

### HOW GOD CAN USE YOU AS AN INTERCESSOR

1. **Have a \_\_\_\_\_ for prayer.**

*"Before daybreak the next morning, Jesus got up and went out to an isolated place to pray."* Mark 1:35 (NLT)

*Now there was one, Anna, a prophetess... and this woman was a widow of about eighty-four years, who did not depart from the temple, but served God with fastings and prayers night and day..."* Luke 2:36-38 (NKJV)

2. **Depend on the \_\_\_\_\_.**

*"The Spirit helps us in our weakness, for we do not know how we should pray, but THE SPIRIT HIMSELF INTERCEDES for us with inexpressible groanings. And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because THE SPIRIT INTERCEDES on behalf of the saints according to God's will."* Romans 8:26-27 (NET)

*"Pray in the Spirit at all times and on every occasion. Stay alert and be persistent in your prayers for all believers everywhere."* Eph. 6:18 (NLT)

3. \_\_\_\_\_ **for the needs around you.** (Exodus 32:30-32)

FATHER GOD, I come into Your presence and ask You to give me the heart of the intercessor. Help me to be persistent in prayer until the breakthrough comes. Thank You for this powerful weapon and for Your faithfulness in my life. In Jesus' name, AMEN

### GATHER, GROW AND GO WITH US IN GROW GROUPS

**Open Up:** Have you ever known an intercessor? Describe their ministry.

**Share Scriptures:** Let different members share a verse or idea from this teaching that impacted them personally. What does it mean for them?

**Talk It Over:** Is every believer called to intercede, or just a few?

**Pray Together:** Pray for each person in the group to grow in intercession.