



CHURCH^{OF}_{THE} KING

Prayer Team Development 1.0

Student's Notes

INTRODUCTION

I. THE BUILDING BLOCKS OF A TEAM

A. Common Purpose – to fulfill the vision of the prayer movement at Church of the King.

“It is our desire that every individual encounter God in personal and corporate prayer for the primary purpose of getting to know Him.”

- _____ – we are incapable of setting others free or healing any hurts people may have.
“I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.” **John 15:5**
- _____ – the process of sanctification. We are all on the same journey recognizing our need of God.
“Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves.” **Philippians 2:3**
- _____ – effective ministry is always the result of teamwork. Be aware of the enemy’s scheme to divide us (offense, miscommunication, etc.).
“Therefore I, the prisoner of the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, being diligent to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.” **Ephesians 4:1-3**

Ministry impact is determined by what transpires in a person’s personal time with God. Before we dive into the training curriculum, please know that the most essential concept related to prayer ministry is a person’s prayer life. The quality of a person’s prayer life directly affects that person’s ministry effectiveness.

II. BASIC PRINCIPLES OF PRAYER

A. WHAT IS PRAYER?

- Prayer is a _____ with God for the purpose of getting to know Him.
- Prayer is an _____ of the realization that we need God.
- Prayer is _____ the word of God to accomplish the will of God.

B. WHY PRAY?

4 BIBLICAL RESPONSES

- It changes our personal _____.

“Open his eyes, Lord, that he may see.” 2 Kings 6:17 Story of Elisha and Gehazi

Prayer positions us to gain an eternal perspective.

- It is an _____ for God's power to be released into a hopeless situation.

"Your kingdom come..." **Matthew 6:10** The Lord's Prayer

Prayer aligns our condition with God's purpose and plan.

- It _____ an acute ability to hear God's voice.

"The friend who attends the bridegroom waits and listens for him and is full of joy when he hears the bridegroom's voice." **John 3:29**

Prayer increases our ability to hear the voice of God.

- It is the way we come to know God more _____.

"I love those who love me, and those who seek me find me." **Proverbs 8:17**

Prayer leads us into the very presence of God where we can draw closer to Him.

SECTION 1

DEVELOPING YOUR PERSONAL PRAYER LIFE

I. THE PRAYER LIFE OF JESUS

A. 3 Prayer Models

1. The High Priestly Prayer

John 17:1-26

- Jesus prays for _____. vv. 1-8
- Jesus prays for His _____. vv. 9-19
- Jesus prays for all who will _____. vv. 20-26

2. The Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13

- _____ "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name"
- _____ "Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven"
- _____ "Give us this day our daily bread"
- _____ "And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors"
- _____ "And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one"
- _____ "For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever, Amen."

For the Lord's Prayer taught by Pastor Steve Robinson go to:

churchoftheking.com/prayer

3. The Ask Approach

Matthew 7:7, 8

Picture prayer as a 3-story building. Each floor is unique in what it has to offer. Entrance into the building, of course, begins on the first floor. It is the entry point of prayer, but is certainly not the finality of prayer. Each floor progresses into a deeper level into the presence of God. Each floor presents a dynamic of God and reveals a perspective of God. The goal of prayer is to gain a greater revelation of God.

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SEEK
ASK

II. OUR AUTHORITY

A. THE SOURCE OF REAL AUTHORITY

- Our authority is based in Christ and Christ _____.

“Therefore I also, after I heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all the saints, ¹⁶ do not cease to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers: ¹⁷ that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him, ¹⁸ the eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that you may know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, ¹⁹ and what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power.” **Ephesians 1:15-19 (NKJV)**

3 things we need to know:

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| 1. | We are _____ (5) v. 18a | He called us. (His idea) |
| 2. | We are _____ (6) v. 18b | He resources us. (He determines) |
| 3. | We are _____ (7) v. 19 | His power towards us. (His power) |

And when He had called His twelve disciples to Him, He gave them power over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease. **Matthew 10:1 (NKJV)**

“Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy,

and nothing shall by any means hurt you.” Luke 10:19 (NKJV)

“And these signs will follow those who believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues; they will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover.” Mark 16:17-18 (NKJV)

“To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood, ⁶ and has made us kings and priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.” Revelation 1:5-6 (NKJV)

“You are of God, little children, and have overcome them, because He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world.” 1 John 4:4 (NKJV)

B. THE FLOW OF OUR AUTHORITY

- Our authority is a natural _____ of our position as children of God.
- The way in which you walk in your authority will be a natural reflection of your God-given _____. “Be yourself”

“It’s not the eloquent prayer that is effective it is the honest prayer that is.”

“If you can’t?” said Jesus. “Everything is possible for one who believes. Immediately the boy’s father exclaimed, “I do believe; help me overcome my unbelief!” Mark 9:23-24

- Over time and with experience, you will grow more _____ with and confident in your God-given authority.
- Our ability to function ____ authority is dictated by your ability to function _____ authority. *As we submit to Christ and rely on Him, our authority is realized. I have no authority until I am under authority.*

God’s authority is limitless. Our authority is governed by the parameters of the role we have been assigned. In our case, our authority on this team is to pray for those God has entrusted to us.

SECTION 2

MANAGING IN THE MINISTRY OF PRAYER

"The level of _____ you walk in is determined by the level of _____ you engage in."

I. OUR ROLE

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to preach good tidings to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives; and the opening of the prison to those who are bound."
Isaiah 61:1

4 THINGS WE ARE ANOINTED TO DO

- _____ – to gladden with "good news." Speak life to people.
- _____ – to bind up what is broken. Partner with people.
- _____ – to call out by speaking into. Call the best out in people.
- _____ – to open the eyes wide for understanding. Create an environment for people to hear God.

II. OUR REPARATION

MAKE PREPARATION A PRIORITY

Take time to prepare your heart for what the Lord wants to do in and through you.

- _____ the Scripture.

"For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart." **Hebrews 4:12**

- _____ yourself with worship.

"God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth." **John 4:24**

"Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness." **Psalms 29:2**

- _____ God in prayer and fasting.

Prayer

"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer." **Romans 12:12**

Live a _____ of prayer.

Now when Solomon had finished praying, fire came down from heaven and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices, and the glory of the Lord filled the house. 2 Chronicles 7:1

Fasting

“So, I gave my attention to the Lord God, to seek Him by prayer and pleading, with fasting, sackcloth, and ashes.” Daniel 9:3

Fasting helps change your _____ and is useful in preparing yourself for ministry, especially when engaging in spiritual warfare.

➤ _____ yourself with Godly people.

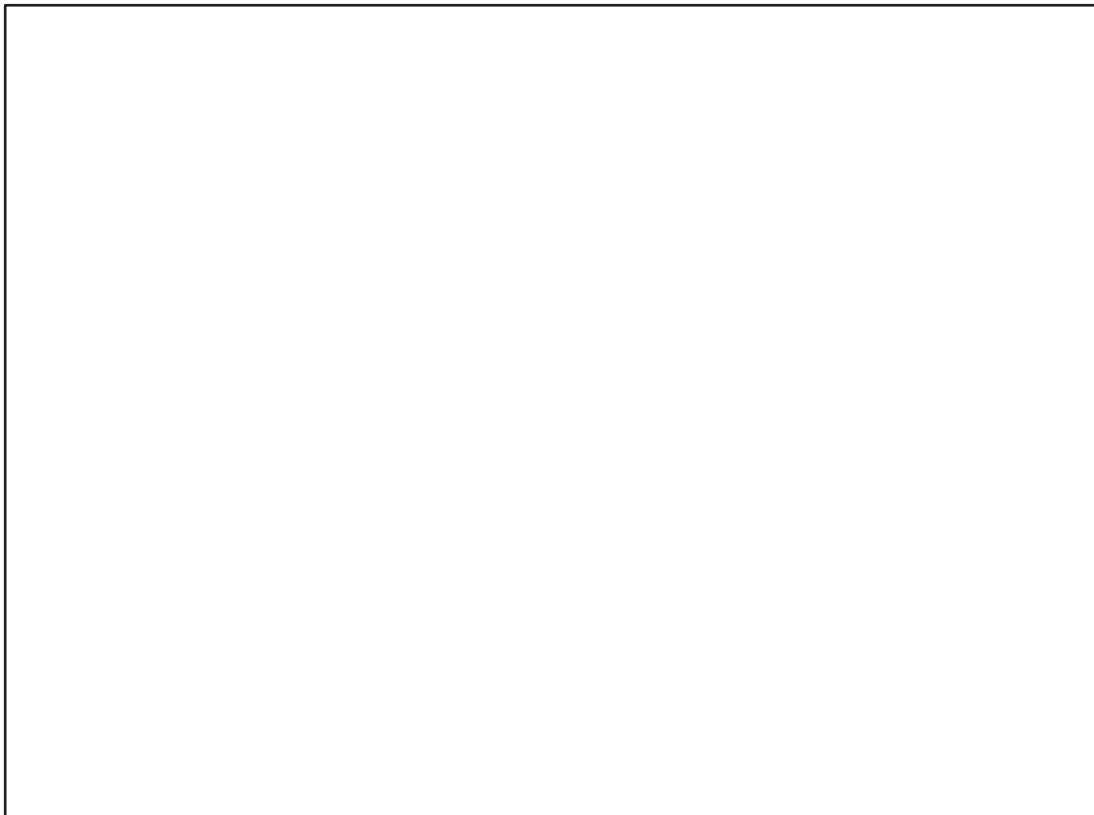
“And let us consider how we may spur one another in toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another – and all the more as you see the Day approaching.” Hebrews 10:25-26

III. THE MANAGEMENT OF THE MINISTRY OF PRAYER

God has entrusted us with the lives of people.

ILLUSTRATION

This illustration is what is literally transpiring as someone comes forward for prayer...



LESSONS OF HONOR FROM THE HOUSE ILLUSTRATION

- ⇒ Honor their _____. Never make light of their request or condemn them for it.
- ⇒ Honor their _____. Always ask questions, then manage the expectation.
- ⇒ Honor their _____. Prayers don't have to be everlasting to be eternal. Pray don't counsel.
- ⇒ Honor their _____. Move slightly to the side of a person, close to their shoulder.

IV. OUR APPROACH

BEFORE YOU PRAY...

On the day of your assignment, please meet the prayer team in your campus' designated area 15 minutes before service for final instructions and team prayer.

- Step 1 - Ask their _____ and then introduce yourself. Calling someone by name not only shows that you are interested in who they are, but also tells them that they are important.
- Step 2 – Ask them a question to _____ why they have come for prayer:

How can I pray for you?

What is God saying to you?

What is it that caused you to ask for prayer?

- Step 3 – Ask _____
For laying hands on them, ask them if you can lay your hand on their shoulder. If they respond "No," please honor their request.
For healing, ask them if you could anoint them with oil. If they respond "No," please honor their request.

AS YOU PRAY...

- When you pray, _____ the Holy Spirit at what He is already doing in the person you're praying for. Follow His direction as you pray.
- Pray the _____. There is no more powerful prayer than praying God's Word. You can have great faith knowing you're in agreement with Him.

"This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. And if we know that he hears us—whatever we ask—we know that we have what we asked of him." **1 John 5:14-15**

- Don't get stuck in repetitions. Pray from your _____.

*“And when you pray, do not use vain repetitions as the heathen do. For they think that they will be heard for their many words.” **Matthew 6:7***

- Pray _____ prayers. Don't focus on the need. Focus on the need meter.
- Take the _____ off of yourself and put it on God. He can handle it.

*“And looking at them, Jesus said to them, “With people this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.” **Matthew 19:26***

- Enjoy the _____. There is nothing more exciting than a transformed life.

*“Brothers and sisters, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth.” **1 Cor. 1:26***

- Be _____ to the situation. For many people, this is an intimidating, unfamiliar, and even scary experience. Engaging in conversation and prayer with you may be very difficult for them. So, meet them where they are, and be kind. Treat them with love and be willing to change your format to fit the flow of the Holy Spirit. In short: Ask God to allow you to see them as He sees them.
- It is easy to become so focused on the _____ that you forget you are dealing with a real person. The people matter, minister to each one individually.

AFTER YOU HAVE PRAYED...

- Make sure they are OK. Ask them how they feel or if there is anything else they _____. Also, if they are open to a follow up ask them for their contact information so that you can follow up with them in the next week.
- Provide _____ that may further assist them.

For **emotional, marital/parental, spiritual challenges** have them call the main church office at **985-727-7017** or go to the church website @ churchoftheking.com/care to fill out a Biblical Care Request Form.

For **financial needs** guide them to churchoftheking.com/care to fill out a Financial Assistance Request Form.

For **deep spiritual/emotional needs** call the church office at **985-727-7017** to set up an appointment for a personal ministry assessment.

V. ACTIVATION

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Have one person serve as the prayer team member and the other be the prayer recipient.
2. Find a place on the side walls and face each other.
3. Here is the scenario the person you are praying for is in need of:

SCENARIO #1

Physical Healing

- Ask their name
- Ask a question to identify their need
- Ask permission (oil/laying on of hands)
- Pray Scripture
- Ask for contact info to follow up

SCENARIO #2

Personal Struggle

- Ask their name(s)
- Ask a question to identify their need
- Pray Scripture
- Ask for contact info to follow up
- Provide resources call the church office 985-727-7017 (Biblical Care)

RESOURCES FOR THOSE NEEDING FURTHER ASSISTANCE

For Counseling

Fill out the Biblical Care Request Form at churchoftheking.com/care

or

Call Church of the King L.C.C. at 985-727-7017

For Financial Help

Fill out the Financial Assistance Form at churchoftheking.com/care

or

Call Church of the King L.C.C. at 985-727-7017

For Further Ministry

Call Church of the King L.C.C. at 985-727-7017 and ask for the **Care Dept.**

VI. WRAPPING UP

DOES PRAYER REALLY MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

The point of contact between human need and divine provision is prayer. It ushers in the power of God to accomplish the will of God by realigning earthly circumstances to what He has already established in heaven. Prayer not only moves mountains, it moves God. Prayer is the one thing that God has established to make connection with Him. It is the mechanism He has decreed that is absolutely essential in releasing what He intends. Most of us speak in terms of waiting on God, but just maybe, He is waiting on us? Never forget “Every prayer makes a difference.”