

Weekly of Prayer Strategy

29 January – 3 February 2018

This week's prayer strategy is based on the sermon by Tracy Nyamuda entitled: The Book of Galatians Pt 1

Prayer Point 1

- Pray that we will be a Church that embraces and teaches the Truth of the Word of God fully as it is, uncontaminated, uninfluenced by our culture, needs, passions, lusts, situations, emotions, family or preferences.

Prayer Point 2

- Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal to you any religious (dead works) tendencies in your life. Pray and uproot them out of your life. Ask the Holy Spirit to draw you closer to Jesus and to strengthen your relationship with Him.

Prayer Point 3

- Pray that during this series on Galatians, you would have a fresh revelation of the Gospel, and understand where you need to align your Christian life with the profound truths contained therein.
- Pray that this series will stimulate in you a desire to dig deeper into the word of God.

Prayer Point 4

Acts 9:1-20.

Then Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked letters from him to the synagogues of Damascus, so that if he found any who were of the Way, whether men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. As he journeyed he came near Damascus, and suddenly a light shone around him from heaven. Then he fell to the ground, and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me?" And he said, "Who are You, Lord?" Then the Lord said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. It is hard for you to kick against the goads." So he, trembling and astonished, said, "Lord, what do You want me to

do?” Then the Lord said to him, “Arise and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do.” ... And he was three days without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

Now there was a certain disciple at Damascus named Ananias; and to him the Lord said in a vision, “Ananias.” And he said, “Here I am, Lord.” So the Lord said to him, “Arise and go to the street called Straight, and inquire at the house of Judas for one called Saul of Tarsus, for behold, he is praying. And in a vision he has seen a man named Ananias coming in and putting his hand on him, so that he might receive his sight.”

Then Ananias answered, “Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much harm he has done to Your saints in Jerusalem. And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on Your name.” But the Lord said to him, “Go, for he is a chosen vessel of Mine to bear My name before Gentiles, kings, and the children of Israel. For I will show him how many things he must suffer for My name’s sake.” And Ananias went his way and entered the house; and laying his hands on him he said, “Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you came, has sent me that you may receive your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit.” ...Immediately he preached the Christ in the synagogues, that He is the Son of God.

- Think of the state you were in before you got saved and where you are now. Thank God for everything He has done in your life, how He has rescued you from the miry clay.

Prayer Point 5

- Pray that just as Paul was primarily addressing believers in the book of Galatians, we would be the type of believers who are continually prepared to learn the gospel and apply it to our lives.

Prayer Point 6

Galatians 1:1- 2

Paul, an apostle (not commissioned and sent from men nor through the agency of man, but through Jesus Christ—the Messiah—and God the Father, who raised Him from the dead), and all the brothers who are with me, to the churches of Galatia:

- Pray for a spirit of boldness to stand for what God has called you to, irrespective of what people may throw at you.

Prayer Point 7

- Take a moment to prayerfully consider the following questions:
 - Do you know that God has called you? Like Paul knew?
 - Can you define what He has called you to?
 - Are you constantly reliant on someone else's opinion, endorsement, recognition, praise?
 - Do you rely more on man's validation than God's calling?
 - How convinced are you about God's calling on your life?
- Ask the Holy Spirit to explore your heart and life and help you resolve the above questions.

Prayer Point 8

Galatians 1:3-5

Grace to you and peace [inner calm and spiritual well-being] from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave Himself [as a sacrifice to atone] for our sins [to save and sanctify us] so that He might rescue us from this present evil age, in accordance with the will and purpose and plan of our God and Father— to Him be [ascribed all] the glory through the ages of the ages. Amen.

- Pray for a heart that sees Jesus as your source of salvation or rescue. Pray that you will always run to Jesus in all circumstances: loneliness, despair, fear, pain.

Prayer Point 9

- Pray for a revelation that you were saved by grace and therefore you do not need to add certain works to gain God's favour and approval.

Prayer Point 10

Galatians 1:6-9

I am astonished and extremely irritated that you are so quickly shifting your allegiance and deserting Him who called you by the grace of Christ, for a different [even contrary] gospel; which is really not another [gospel]; but there are [obviously] some [people masquerading as teachers] who are disturbing and confusing you [with a misleading, counterfeit teaching] and want to distort the gospel of Christ [twisting it into something

which it absolutely is not]. But even if we, or an angel from heaven, should preach to you a gospel contrary to that which we [originally] preached to you, let him be condemned to destruction! As we have said before, so I now say again, if anyone is preaching to you a gospel different from that which you received [from us], let him be condemned to destruction!

- Pray that God will give you love, wisdom and alertness to be protective over those you are discipling when it comes to the pure Gospel.
- Pray that you will be extremely passionate about the purity and centrality of the Gospel.