



Topic: Praying Over Your Passion, Focus, Calling in
Support Raising

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Prayer



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Praying Over Your Passion, Focus, Calling in Support Raising

Overview-

- Why is prayer important?
- Why do we not pray during the support raising process?
- Three Areas Satan Targets while support raising!
- Plan to defeat Satan

The Importance of Prayer

- *I am the vine, ye are the branches:* He that abideth in me, and I in him, *the* same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing. John 15:5
- A portal that brings the power of heaven down to earth
- The divinely ordained mechanism that Leads you into the heart, the power and the victory of Christ.
- Reaching outward & upward to Jesus is the way His passion comes down.

Why do we not pray during the support raising process?

- Too Busy to take the time to pray
- Focused on I have to raise support
- Biggest reason of all- The enemy has attacked us intentionally disconnecting us from God

Let's take a look at three areas Satan attacks us during the support raising process.

Passion

If I were your enemy,

I'd seek to dim your passion, dull your interest in spiritual things,
Dampen your belief in God's ability and His personal concern for you, and
Convince you that the hope you've lost is never coming back –
and was probably just a lie to begin with.

Passion

- The fuel in the engine of your purpose.
- Keeps you going when mundane tasks bore you
- Difficult tasks dissuade you
- Keeps you moving in the direction you want/need to go.

Focus

If I were your enemy,

I'd disguise myself and manipulate your Perspectives so that you'd focus on the wrong culprit – your spouse, your friend, your hurt, your finances, anything or anyone except me. Because when you zero in on the most convenient, obvious places to strike back against your problems, you get the impression you're fighting for something. Even though all you're really doing is just...fighting. For nothing.

Focus

- Clears away dead space & clutter
- Sharpens images
- Captures detail
- Highlights items to remember
- Pushes less important things to the background or cropping them out altogether.

Calling/Fear

If I were your enemy,

I'd magnify your fears, making them appear insurmountable, intimidating you with enough worries until avoiding them becomes your driving motivation. I would use anxiety to cripple you, to paralyze you, leaving you indecisive, clinging to safety and sameness, always on the defensive because of what might happen. When you hear the word faith, all I'd want you to hear is "unnecessary risk."

Calling/Fear

- One of Satan's Primary Schemes for Crippling God's People: FEAR
- Fear can keep you from receiving everything God wants to give you.
- Fear can keep you away from some blessing or beauty from heaven God has just for you?
- Fear – the opposite of Faith
- Faith – Allows you to step foot on the soil of your destiny.

Plan to defeat Satan

- Strategic Prayer
- Focused Prayer
- Personalized Plan

Strategic Prayer

- We need a Personalized Strategy to DEFEAT the enemy at his own game
- The intentional, deliberate, Strategic kind of prayer that allows you to grab hold of Jesus and everything He's already done on your behalf.
- Be strategic in recognizing Satan is attacking and calling on Jesus to fight the battle.
- Praying specific is strategic- praying for prospective partners by name

Focused Prayer

- An eye-opening experience.
- A reminder to you.
- A declaration to the enemy you know he's there.
- Bringing your concerns, fears & irritations to the Lord
- Aligning your weaknesses with the full force of the Holy Spirit
- Joining with the power of heaven to take the fight directly to the source of the problem

Personalized Plan

- Prayer Journaling – So You Don't forget:
- Who the real enemy is
- The one in whom your hope lies
- Your real need & dependencies
- The record of how God responds
- Set a time and place to pray- War closet
- Get a prayer team and keep them informed of how to be specific in prayer

Conclusion

- Remember it is never too late to pray!
- Recognize we have an enemy wanting to defeat us; but that enemy is defeated by Jesus
- Be Strategic and Focused in prayer and follow your plan to pray!



Q & A

