A CALL TO PRAYER

Matthew 21:21&22

Jesus answered and said unto them, Verily I say unto you, If ye have faith, and doubt not, ye shall not only do this which is done to the fig tree, but also if ye shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; it shall be done.

And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive.

Luke 19:45-48

And he went into the temple, and began to cast out them that sold therein, and them that bought;

Saying unto them, It is written, My house is the house of prayer: but ye have made it a den of thieves.

And he taught daily in the temple. But the chief priests and the scribes and the chief of the people sought to destroy him,

And could not find what they might do: for all the people were very attentive to hear him.

Acts 1:14

These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication, with the women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brethren.

Psalms 116:1

I love the LORD, because he hath heard my voice and my supplications...

And I always go to a little place up there on top of the mountain, and I have a little prayer up there and offer God my thanksgiving for a good wife. My wife has been a darling to me.

64-0120

Keep your promise to God. Whatever you say to God, you believe it. Separate yourself from anything contrary to His Word. **God will hear and answer prayer.**

64-0121

Prayer changes things. If you lay your husband, or your unsaved one, before God, and then pray, God will make a way somewhere, 'cause He promised to.

64-03221

I've seen the time where twenty-five thousand, just think now, not twenty-five hundred, twenty-five thousand outstanding healings taking place with one prayer: Durban, South Africa.

64-0404

When you go to praying for somebody, something goes to taking place. There is where we fail, friends, not praying. **Prayer is the keynote.**

64-0620

Sweeten your temper with prayer.

64-0830E

No food should be received without it be received with thanksgiving, for it's sanctified by the Word of God and prayer. See? If you eat it, say, "Lord Jesus, You prepared the food for me. Now, with faith I sanctify this food to the strength of our bodies."

64-0830E

And David said, "If I hide iniquity in my heart, God will not even hear my prayer."

64-1212

God will answer every sincere prayer (I believe it.) In His own way.

50-0115

Lay aside everything. Just get as close to God as you can. Walk with Him, talk with Him. Let everything else be secondary but your prayer life. Stay right with Him all the time.

50-1814

There's nothing as great as prayer. God holds all the future in His Hands.

50-0816

I seen the time when people come to the platform with hanging cancers, hanging on their bodies. And while prayer was being made, their cancer white, dropping off, and rolling down across the floor while I was praying for them.

50-0816

And Cornelius, a righteous man, good man, was in prayer. And an

Angel came to him and said, "Send down to Simon the tanner, and ask for one Peter who will come, tell you all things."

50-0818

I'm just a mouthpiece for your prayer God. See? If your prayer has reached God, and He's told me that you're healed, then I believe it, and I speak it to you.

50-0821

I've never desired to be rich, I've...I—I believe Solomon, I believe, had the most level Prayer to God that I ever heard. He prayed that God wouldn't make him so rich that he would forget God, and yet, not to make him so poor that he would have to steal.

51-0506

Daniel prayed, but the Angel said, "That he had trouble there and couldn't get him for twenty-one days after he'd made the prayer." So don't be in a hurry; just believe; have faith.

51-0720

If God would hear Jonah's prayer, and Jonah praying like that; and God respected his prayer to an earthly temple, where an earthy man dedicated it, and a prayer of an earthy man.

51-1003

That makes me think of the Supreme Court's ruling on prayer and Bible reading in the schools. Who is behind it? Satan is. It is **just another angry outburst against God.**

Church Age Book

Columba planted seed with one hand while he held the other aloft in prayer. **Today the island is one of the most fertile in the world.**

Church Age Book

It's - it's prayer that I depend on. That's the secret of all the mysteries of God. That's the key that opens the door to everything of God, is prayer.

50-0405

Does God answer prayer? Yes. Does He answer real quick? Not all the time, does He? No, **sometimes He makes us wait, is that right? But God answers prayer.**56-0513

I don't sleep very much at night, always in prayer. Nighttime, when all demon powers shut down towards morning. When they're not roaming, that's the time the Holy Spirit moves in and talks to me. **Go early if you want to pray; rise up early.**

50-0821

You may laugh too much: you may talk too much; you may walk too much; but you'll never pray too much.

50-0824

I'd rather have a church that had such a burden on their heart for prayer that they just stayed at this altar and would be here day and night, and everything else; and in their house, was constantly in prayer.

54-0103M

Get alone. You'll pray a different prayer when you're by yourself than you do when you're in the public. Slip alone, all of you; go out and just have a real secret meeting place where you and The Lord meet several times a day and pray.

55-0501

Prayer changes things. **Prayer changes death to life.** Prayer changes sickness to health, changes sinners to saints. It's prayer.

56-0427

And that's what prayer does for the believer. That's what you, **keeps the world out of you.**

56-0513

You know there's something about getting alone to yourself. Many people never pray until they come to church. Many people thinks that the only place to pray is at church, but The bible said for men to pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands.

57-0301

And now, and above all things, keep praying one for another, and never let the devil show any bitterness anywhere. See? **Keep your souls pure in this hour.**

60-1207

All the church has to pray, and all the laity has to pray, the deacons

and the trustees and the pastor; then altogether we come into the Presence of God like that, as one great unit.

61-0215

Read at least one chapter in The Bible every day and pray. See? Always do that.

52-0713E

God can move on a man when his wife will pray for him, or vice versa.

58-0517

You could beat her till she didn't have any clothes on her; she'd do it anyhow. But you just lay before God and claim that child's soul for God. Just stay right there with it. I believe it's the best thing that I know of. Yes sir. **That's the best remedy I know of, is prayer.**

59-1223

And it's through prayer that I live today. I live by the grace of God through prayer.

61-1015M

Prayer is not exactly bringing God down to man. It's bringing man up to God. See? As you pray, you lose-- you lose sight of these earthly things. You sway out into somewhere else, way beyond, and on and on, till you be come into His Presence.

52-0716

Prayer from a saint will go a million times higher than an Angel (Yes sir.) because he's a son.

59-1223

But a real believer that's really spiritually built up, he reads his Bible every day and talks to The Lord. That's right. He has to.

62-0204

And people can pray in such a way till the devil will have to give in.

59-0712

I believe that prayer changes things. I've seen death be drove back by prayer and life take its place.

I tell you, dear friend: the best way to find the Will of God in some important matters, is prayer. See?

6

61-1015M

We find one place there, where The Son of God spent so much time in prayer. And if Jesus had to spend much time in prayer to stay in fellowship with The Spirit that was in Him, how much more do you and I have to spend in prayer?

55-0227E

Get away from this old lukewarm, halfway, say a little prayer of a morning, little prayer at night, and go to bed and get up the next morning. **No wonder we're getting worldly.**

56-1002

There's going to be a great pressure come one of these days, till you're going to have to pray.

56-0406

Jesus never did tell His people to say a prayer; He said, "Pray."

60-1207

You like to pray through and get in the Spirit? That's the only way you can do it. Shut yourself off from the rest of the world and get alone with God.

56-0212

I believe that's why you can't pray and feel in the Spirit like you used to. It's because the revival fires has gone out.

64-0830E

And it's usually those who pray is the one who's got the burden, the one who get something. It's those who pray, that's ordained of God to do so.

61-1112

It's the secret prayer that Jesus spoke of, saying, "Enter ye into a secret closet, and close the door, and when you have did so, pray to your Father Who sees in secret; and he that seeth in secret shall reward thee openly."

There seems to be something to the prayer that takes all the hypocrisy out of it. It seems like that we get in a better connection with God, to get alone. You know there's something about getting alone to yourself.

57-0301

Christ gave us the authority with His Name by being Christians, the most powerful weapon the world has ever known: Prayer.

52-0224

The Christian doesn't realize what a force he has when he kneels on his knees before Almighty God in The Name of Jesus Christ. He doesn't realize what – what power that is.

53-0216

You can't hide a saint from his prayer. That's the powerfulest weapon that man ever had.

57-0610

And what produces faith is prayer. Prayer of faith shall save the sick. 57-0611

There's no atomic bomb, or no hydrogen bomb as powerful as prayer.

61-0207

Fast and pray to get away from it. More I fast, the uglier sin gets. See? Just makes it worse, till honest, you can't even go out.

62-0118

Apply the Token in prayer with—with consideration, with believing. Apply it with such love. **You create a spirit around you of power**, that when you say something to them. They believe your word; what you say.

63-0901M

Don't pray for yourself; pray for somebody else. God hears prayer. He knows what you're praying about. *59-1129*

A man nowadays, getting married... You young fellows, you better pray a long time. Ask God to give you a companion. You young women, the same way, 'cause it is so uncertain.

61-0315

A man should think and pray before he chooses a wife.

65-0429

When we choose our wife or husband, if we'd study it over ... A man

should pray earnestly, for he could ruin his entire life. Remember the vow is "Until death do we part" If the woman takes a husband and knows that he's not fit to be a husband to you, then that's your own fault after you know what's right and wrong. So you shouldn't do it until you thoroughly pray through.

65-0429E

Any woman that going to marry a man, and she's not certain of that man, she'd better leave him alone. And any man that's going to marry a woman and not certain, you'd better leave her alone. You'd better pray through on it, until God gives you the answer.

63-0114

Anybody who believes in praying for the sick, believes in Divine Healing anybody: woman, man boy, girl. I've seen my girl, that's only three years old prayed for a crippled child, and it was healed.

50-0822

If ever I had a time of success of praying for anyone, is when I could enter into the fellowship with them, feel their infirmities, feel their conditions.

57-0806

How a minister ought to always get alone to himself, even before he preaches, before he prays. Before he does anything he should get alone with God in that quiet place, hid away with God.

55-1006

Many times I've went into little old homes, and see them mothers and so forth come out of the bedroom with a little old checkered apron on, wiping her eyes, crying; praying, secret place, meeting place, **alone with God, isolated. Oh, it's a marvelous place to be.**55-1110

Go to the secret closet and close the door, when the kids gets at school. There get down on your knees. You've heard all kinds of voices everywhere, but just get down and stay there until those voices are silenced and you begin to lift up. It'll change you.

58-1005M

Do your praying in secret. Stay out in the place, and go into your rooms, hide out somewhere, and just kneel down, and just stay before God and stay there.

63-1226

The main thing now, your prayer is to be in secret, your main, long prayer. Pray all...enter into a secret closet, close the door. There's where you want to pray all day, all night, or two hours, pray there.

63-1226

Get yourself quiet before Him. **Don't let the washing hinder. Don't let the work hinder. Don't let nothing hinder. Don't let nobody know what you're doing. Just go before Him.** Get up in the woods somewhere. Get out on the side of the road. Go into the secret closet and close the door, when the kids get at school. There get down on your knees.

58-1005M

Don't you pray for yourself; you get somebody else on your mind and pray for them.

57-0518

The greatest time of anybody's life, is just to set down and meditate, take everything off your mind. If you would do that, **there wouldn't be so much nervousness around the country,** if we would just think on God. "Draw nigh unto Me, and I'll draw nigh unto you."

60-0311

Sacrifice your time for prayer. Sacrifice your life.

61-0207

We always try to make it a habit of praying of a night before we go to bed. I have that since I was first converted. I get up of a morning, and it's too dark and too misty for me to walk;

61-0101

If you turn Jesus down at your home, quit having family prayer, quit having Bible readings, and so forth in your home, **look for trouble to come in.**

53-0906

Any time the devil wants to gobble you up, he's got you under his control. **When he cuts your prayer life,** brother, you're gone. That's right.

57-0630

They ought to had a prayer meeting. That's the best thing I know to quieten your nerves.

You consecerate it to God, every one of you with a holy life before God, watch what will take place. When that church binds itself and starts praying.

62-0117

And you know there's something about it, when you pray for someone real sincerely, you know, it—it kinda makes them restless. God begins to move in answer to prayer. Sometimes a husband becomes more irritable than ever, but just remember, God's answering prayer. He knows how to do it.

58-0517

He don't only make prayer, but He answers prayer. He...See, He is The One Who answers His own prayer.

54-1114

And just because everything's going wrong, that's no sign we should quit praying. We just pray on anyhow.

56-0513

Do you realize if we go before God in The Name of Jesus, it's just the same as Jesus Himself praying? It isn't me praying anymore. And then I go to The Father in Jesus' Name, it isn't me praying anymore; It's Jesus.

It's His Spirit praying through me.

55-0113

Thou art not a God that just can be in one place, but You can be everywhere answering prayer all over the world at the same time.

59-1124

If we have asked God anything, remember, God answers prayer. **He does** it in **His time**, the way it's best, makes it work just right for us.

60-0522M

And I'll say before God's Bible; I never did sincerely ask for anything but what God gave it to me or told me the reason why He couldn't. I say that as a servant of Christ.

61-0124

Have enough faith in God to believe for yourself, then believe for your children also. That same faith will save your children that saved you. If you just keep praying.

Jesus prayed that the church and He would be one like He and the Father were one. God in His church, till every member is just perfectly in harmony with each other and God. That's the church that Jesus is coming for. **That's when His prayer will be answered.**

62-0211

It's not how we pray in our lips; it's the motive or our heart is what God hears. He sometimes don't hear our lips; He hears our intention what—the motive of our heart.

57-0120M

And I have no fancy ways of —of doing things. I—I just....I've had a lot of answer to prayer, and that's about all I can say. Just..just..God has been good to me to answer my prayer.

59-0415

If we lose faith, then we will never get a prayer answered by God. For He that cometh to God must first believe that He is, and a rewarder of those that diligently seek after Him. So if we lose faith, our prayers are annulled; we get nowhere.

58-0720M

And may we not cease praying until we see our prayers answered.

61-0207

"But if I regard iniquity in my heart, then God will not hear my prayer," said David:

What is iniquity? Iniquity is something that you know that you're doing that you ought not to do and still won't repent of it.

62-0721

Praying for your children, and that's the reason your children has the..the manners, and the..the real and gentleman in this wild age that we're living in.

61-0808

Pray every day. **Don't make any decisions to harshly or too quickly, without first considering God about it.** Ask Him, "Shall I do this, Father?" Ask Him, "Is it Your Will for me to do this?"

The people won't read; they don't care to read. And they won't pray, because they're too... got other things to do. They can't take time to pray. And The Bible is boresome to them.

61-1112

Did you ever get down and pray until it come to a place that you felt like you was walking on clouds? That's when you're getting light.

56-0723

But from the time we pray until the time we get the answer we must learn to receive patience into our souls for only in patience do we possess life.

Church Age Book

They don't dig down deep enough to get into The Spirit of Revelation. They don't pray enough; they don't call upon God enough.

63-070M

If we fail to pray through daily, all the time, keep under The Blood, you'll wither up and die in your Christian experience.

50-0716

When you see these crowds gathering, that doesn't mean revival; that's just a gathering. But a revival is when people get really right with God, and pray through.

51-0718

When a little confusion comes in the church, you don't run over to one side and pout now. If you are, you sure ain't a priest. You pray through: spiritual sacrifice, the fruits of our lips giving Praise to His Name.

54-0512

Shut yourself off from the rest of the world and get alone with God. And the reason that you like to do that, because when the first couple came on earth, Adam and Eve, that's what they did.

56-0212

You know when you pray through, you get an answer, you really get a lot of faith then.

You're commanded to pray for one another, not to talk against one another, but to love one another.

59-0712

Can you bear for someone to talk about you, and you love them so much, till in your heart you pray for them? For truly, we're in the battle and we need each other more than we ever did in all times.

62-06229

Don't never speak evil against one another, if somebody makes a mistake, pray for him, right quick.

63-0901M

If there's anything that somebody's done wrong, pray for them. And don't pray in a selfish way, say, "I .. I know it's my duty, I've got to pray for that brother." You take it to your heart.

63-0714E

If you see your neighbor's mistake, you see where they've went wrong, don't go wrong with them, but just pray for them. Just keep praying, and God will understand that. He'll make everything right.

61-1015M

And if you want to get somewhere with God, **never let an arrogant spirit ever come around you.** God loved you when you were in sin. And if The Spirit of God's in you, you love the other person when he's in wrong. See? Just pray for them and love one another.

63-0714E

Pray to God for a revelation by His Spirit. That is the first step.

Church Age Book

You know, the way to find God is to meditate upon God, think of God.

57-0127E

Don't just wait till you go to church, or some convenient hour; **just keep Him on your mind all the time.**

59-1126

That's the greatest time of anybody's life, is just to set down and meditate, take everything off your mind. If you would do that, there

wouldn't be so much nervousness around the country.

60-0330

I can't be a servant of Christ and a servant of man at the same time. So I have to keep myself away in prayer, and meditation, in order to be my best at the pulpit.

58-0625

That's why the preacher preaches. That's why he studies and meditates in the Scripture and seeks for inspiration, is because he is a public servant to God's people.

60-0925

I just wish you could just get together and pray, and...you... you could have the best church in the world right here, the best union of people.

47-1207

You know, the best armor that America has in this present crisis is God fearing, praying people. That's the best. It's worth more than all the bombs and tanks that we could produce.

50-0816

There it is; Abraham was tried AFTER he received The Word of Promise. Most think that as soon as we pray in Jesus' Name over the good promises of God that there could not be a trial. But here it says that Abraham was tried after he received the promise.

Church Age Book

While I was in prayer, I raised up to look up towards the east from here, and there was a vision. And standing just above me, many of you knows the vision, was The Lord Jesus.

65-0218

And then in Sabino Canyon, one morning like this, while in prayer, there had been a sword placed in my hand, and said, "This is The Word, and the Sword of The Word."

65-0418M

And a woman that'll cut her hair, dishonors her head. And it's not even...it's a sinful thing for a woman to offer prayer with short hair,

The Bible said so, pray in public with her head uncovered.

65-0801M

Higher you rise in God, the more sinful the whole thing looks. And then sometimes, in prayer, you can imagine, when The Holy Spirit takes you up into a sphere, then the whole thing looks chaos.

65-0815

Prayer should be, "Lord change me to fit Your Word." Not, "change", not let me change Your mind. You change my mind." See? "You change my mind to Your Will."

65-0822

As a woman has a sacred responsibility to her motherhood, to her virtues, to her husband, the Church has a sacred responsibility to prayer and to the Word and to Christ, just the same as the woman has.

65-1125

I had a-many little spastic child on my prayer list, praying for it, but when the vision come it was for a little ol'fish about so long, about two inches long or three. Looked like the hook was as big as the fish. **But what it was,** was to show you that God looks on the little things too. See?

65-1127E

Jesus only asked for one thing, in His prayer to The Father. You know what that was? One thing after all of His sacrifice that He did here on earth, the life that He lived, the path that He walked. He asked for one thing. "That where I am, they may be also." He asked for our fellowship.

65-1205

I remember the first prayer I ever tried to pray. The only thing I could say ... I--I've never told this before. I just feel I'll tell it right now. I was shot, laying there, dying in a field. And the only plea that I could have to God, I said. "You know Lord, I never did commit adultery."

65-1205

I have witness of doctor's statements of five people being pronounced dead, laid out dead, and come back to life again by prayer.

Jesse, a great man of God, no doubt gathered all those boys around at

night and had family prayer before they went to bed; probably read the scrolls, and talked about great Jehovah.

62-0520

Oh, I enjoy going, listen at a message or something. But when it really comes to taking time and loving to go out, and spend them hours in prayer with Him, and commune with Him, remembering Him.

63-0122

They formed a prayer meeting at John Mark's house. While they were praying, the Angel of The Lord went to the prison, and opened up the prison bars, and opened the gates.

63-0304

God heals by music. God heals by love. See? God heals by medicine. God heals by prayer. God has many ways of healing. Depends on what type that you need.

63-0428

God heals by medicine. God heals by love. God heals by understanding. God heals by care. God heals by prayer. God heals by miracles. **The whole thing, God heals.** That's all, all there is to it, He is The Healer.

63-0627

We want to constantly be in prayer. And above all things, watch your life: if your life don't tally up with God's holiness, then go back and start praying.

63-0707E

Amram's prayer was just exactly with the Scripture. **Their prayers was with the Promised Word.** God promised at that time to do it. They prayed for it, and here was a proper child born.

63-0714M

As I brought that statement this morning, the people was laying in the shadow of Peter, they never even asked for prayer. I've went into many homes, watching this. Pray before I go, and just go in there with the anointing, and don't even pray for the people, and walk out and they're healed.

63-0714M

Samson prayed the right kind of a prayer, "Lord let me die with this enemy." Oh, my!

63-0804A

Now, He gave us the strongest weapon that there is in all the world, and that's prayer. Prayer is what changes things. The Christian doesn't realize what a force he has when he kneels on his knees before Almighty God in the Name of Jesus Christ.

53-0213

Get back into the program of God and find out, after all, what God wants us to do. And the only way I know to do it is prayer. Prayer is the key.

61-0207

Father, it is the greatest privilege that a mortal ever had was to close his eyes, and open his heart, and speak to You. And we know that you hear, if we could just believe that you hear. For Jesus said, "If you ask The Father anything in My Name it'll be granted." That was on conditions if we wouldn't doubt it (Mark 11:24-25)

65-0124

I love The Word. Oh, I just wished I could express it. You know where I preach my best sermons? In my prayer room at home or somewhere, in the bed. I lay at nighttime and get anointed with The Holy Spirit; I preach a half a night to myself.

55-0501

You know, sometimes when we are praying for others, we are the one that gets the help many times, when you're praying for others.

61-0125

I want to give you a little secret. The Lord has blessed me greatly, and to Whom I give praise, for praying for the sick. And I have watched it through these years, and I have found it to be the absolute truth. I can never, never get my prayers through till actually I get right into the real fellowship with the person I'm praying for. You've got to get down and feel that person's condition.

56-0617

I get up real, real early and go to prayer before things stir and just keep on praying through the day.

Now, watch fully now. Fully obedience to the whole Word of God entitles us to the Token. Then when we pay--pray, we must have the Token to present with our prayer. If you say, "I pray, Lord, but really I haven't..." Well, there you go. You just might as well stop. See? Go in first and get the Token (See?), 'cause that Token's what He will recognize. See? Yes, sir. When we pray, then we must present the Token:

63-0901M

Confessing our faults one to another and praying one for the other... There you are. With love--love that I got confidence, I can confess to you my wrong. You can confess to me your wrong; I love you well enough that I will pray for you and you pray for me; and will stay with it with an effectual, fervent prayer until it's answered.

63-0901E

Lord Jesus, is my prayer, let me look away from the cares of life. Lord, I--I know we are just a common people, uneducated. We have not much of this world's goods, but we love You, Lord.

63-1229E

"We should be constantly giving ourselves to The Word of God and prayer, studying the Word."

W.M. Branham

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20 Notes