

**“THEIR”
CONVERSATION
WITH ME ABOUT
PRAYER**



“ In Your light,

we see the Light ”

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“THEIR” CONVERSATION?

How much of the Word of God, under Holy Spirit guidance, is in the **conversation** between **Father God** and you, between **Jesus Christ** and you, and also in the conversation that you have **with yourself**? **Let** the Word as **Truth speak** to you.

Heart to heart conversations through the Word of God, establish eternal quality and depth in your **relationship** with God.

The **Word of God** is the foundation for **communication**, **interaction**, **declaration** and **interpretation** in our **relationship** with Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Get **involved** in the conversation about **PRAYER!**

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May God minister to you in a very special way as you take **time** with His Word and **walk** with the Holy Spirit through this “**study guide**” about “**Prayer**” (as one of many themes available).

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“ OUR FATHER’S EXCELLENCE ” (OFE) BIBLE SCHOOL

“For **His** divine power has bestowed **upon us all things** that [are requisite and suited] to life and godliness, through the [full, personal] **knowledge** of **Him** Who **called** us **by and to His** own glory and **excellence** (virtue)... **employ** every **effort** in **exercising** your faith to develop virtue (**excellence**, resolution, Christian energy), and in [**exercising**] virtue [develop] knowledge (intelligence), and in [**exercising**]... [develop] Christian **love**.”
(2 Pet. 1:3,5,6,7b AMPC) Love: the **more excellent way** - (1 Cor. 12:31)

“But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a (special) people for God’s own possession, **so that** you may **proclaim the excellencies** (the wonderful deeds and virtues and perfections) of Him who **called you out** of darkness into His marvelous light.” (1 Pet. 2:9 AMP.)

OFE VISION

DISCIPLE people into the lifestyle of a true worshipper of God, set free to live an excellent life, practically, all as if unto the Lord.

BUILD character, knowledge and skills into the members of the Body of Christ, into the living stones of God’s house, to serve the church effectively.

TRAIN people through the Word of God, to accurately obey His Word with excellence and respect.

ACTIVATE and release people as Spirit-filled vessels equipped to be witnesses of the Truth under His guidance.

PLANT strategic people as church, ministry and community leaders, according to their specific calling, vision and destiny on earth.

REACH all generations with the message of the Kingdom, as ambassadors and co-workers of Christ.

ENJOY your life with God and His family, as you see how your Father's dream becomes a reality in the nations.

“ In Your Light, we see the Light ” (Ps.36:9)

8 ACADEMIES in OFE, (Our Father's Excellence) BIBLE SCHOOL:

- WORD
 - PRAYER
 - WORSHIP
 - PROPHETIC
 - SHEPHERDING
 - TEACHING+TRAINING
 - CHURCH FOUNDATIONS
 - MISSIONS+EVANGELISM
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WORD ACADEMY OF OFE : VISION

“Study and be **eager** and do your utmost to **present** yourself to God approved (**tested by trial**), a **workman** who has no cause to be ashamed, **correctly** analyzing and **accurately** dividing [rightly handling and skillfully teaching] the Word of Truth.” (2 Tim. 2:15 AMPC.)

All Scripture is God-breathed and is **useful** for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be **thoroughly equipped** for every **good work**. (2 Tim. 3:16-17)

It is our desire to see people **grow** in their **love** (Ps. 119:97,127), **understanding** (Eph. 1:17) and **application** (Ps. 119:11, John 8:31) of the **Word**.

“You have commanded us to keep Your precepts, that we should **observe** them diligently. Oh, that my ways were **directed** and **established** to observe Your statutes (**hearing, receiving, loving** and **obeying** them)! Then shall I not be put to shame (by failing to inherit Your promises) when I **look (with respect)** to all Your commandments.” (Ps. 119:4-6 AMP.)

Allow the **Holy Spirit** to fulfill the first priority promise from God in the New Covenant.(Heb. 8:10) “... **and I will put My laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts...**”

“ Your word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. ” (Ps.119:105)

**Strategic, practical
DEVELOPMENT PLAN
for EXCELLENCE in your personal life,
unique calling, dreams, ministry and destiny.**

If you are **already** involved, or if you **want to** be involved in different **ministries**, (worship, children, youth, prayer, dance, technical, marketplace, financial, pioneer, etc.) in your **church, community**, and **nation**, you need to **continually develop** in authority in your field of ministry, work and unique calling, and challenge yourself for **excellence** in your **life** and **ministry** in and through the church!

This authority includes **character, gifts, skill, Word foundation, passion** and **accurate alignment** in **relationships** where God has called you in a specific church for successful impact in a specific community. When you consider your unique calling in the body of Christ, **commit to serve effectively** where God has placed you. “... a planting of the Lord, for the **display** of His **splendor**.” (Isa. 61:3b)

Grow in a **lifestyle** where **God’s initiative** is evident and **God’s excellence** is seen through who you are and what you do. Identify through the Holy Spirit, **who** is taking the **initiative** in your work, ministry and personal life. Evaluate your lifestyle and be accountable to leadership in your local church about your **development**.

You need **Godly authority** in your life to stand in Christ with victory, set free to **live the dream** Father God has for you. Godly authority with excellence can only be established **through** the **Word of God** in every ministry and it is very important in order to **fulfil** your **calling** and achieve the **goals** that God has for you.

Our **challenge** in many ministries and church networks is to establish a **strategic, practical development plan** for members, volunteers, leaders

and serving teams to grow effectively in what they do **for** Christ and **with** Christ.

There are many great seminars, short-term courses and conferences having impact in ministries, and there are amazing theological seminaries and Bible-schools, for fulltime training, but the “**gap**”, **lack**, **need** and **prophetic priority** now, is the long-term strategic development plan for the family of God to become the mature, relevant, effective church to:

- **Proclaim** the **excellencies** (the wonderful deeds and virtues and perfections) of God. (1 Pet. 2:9)
- **Declare** how **excellent** His Name is in all the earth. (Ps. 8:1)
- **Approve** (discern, show forth) the things that are **excellent**. (Phil. 1:10b)
- **Show** the more **excellent way** (love). (1 Cor. 12:31)
- **Develop excellent** speech. (Prov. 17:7)
- **Exercise** your faith to develop **excellence**. (2 Pet. 1:6)
- **Allow** the process for God to make you an eternal **excellence**. (Is. 60:15)
- **Meditate** on... what is **excellent**. (Phil. 4:8)
- **Sing** to the Lord for He has done **excellent** things. (Is. 12:5)
- **Believe** that you as saints are the “**excellent ones**”. (Ps. 16:3)

That is why we want to introduce to you strategic, “set out”, specific Authority Fields for your development in who you are **in** Christ and what you do **with** Christ and **for** Christ. **Authority fields** are groupings of 7 **specific** subjects designed to focus on development in a **specific** area of ministry or personal growth.

We want to **help** and **assist** you with this **suggested road map** of development, to grow in doing everything with **excellence** as if unto the Lord.

Prayerfully look at the “set out” combination of **strategic training fields** and commit to it personally or even set it as a development path for you, your family, church and ministry partners/ friends. You can find the details at www.ourfathersexcellence.com or contact OurFathersExcellence@gmail.com or contact 0828873001.

In this specific book/manual you will find 4 of more than 48 units for self-study (with 4 exam papers). These 4 units/themes from God's Word form part of the **training development program** for **excellence** in your walk with God.

My prayer for you and me in Psalm 19:14 (AMPC): "Let the **words** of my mouth and the **meditation** of my heart be acceptable and pleasing in **Your sight**, o Lord, my (firm, immovable) **rock** and my **Redeemer**."

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1. FATHER'S conversation with me about ...

PRAYER

Prayer is a privilege, an active way of communication between Me and you. It must become part of your lifestyle, therefore:

"Pray continually." (1 Thess. 5:17)

As you relate to Me through prayer, you will stand amazed at so many things in and about your life that I desire to show you. You will find My invitation in Jer. 33:3: **"Call to Me and I will answer you and will tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know."**

I have given you guidelines through My Word about how to pray. You need not find it difficult to pray, nor become discouraged in your prayer life. Understand how to experience a life of answered prayers in a relationship with Me by following My principles in prayer. Remember: **Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened. Which of you, if his son asks for bread, will give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a snake? If a man, then, though he is evil, knows how to give good gifts to his children, how much more will I, your Father in heaven, give good gifts to you who ask Me!** (from Matt. 7:7-11)

Through prayer, your emotions, heart and mind can be protected and made whole. Through Phil. 4:6,7, I commanded you with a promise: **Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with**

thanksgiving, present your requests to Me. And My peace, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in My Son, Christ Jesus.

Commit yourself to Me in faith, with a pure heart, when you pray, and you will see My Hand moving in and through your life. James 4:3 challenges you: **“When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures.”**

Surrender to Me in repentance and you will see your breakthrough. In James 4:7,8, I gave you the strategy to: **Submit yourselves then to Me. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. Come near to Me and I will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your heart, you double-minded.**

Position yourself accurately with sincerity in prayer, and heaven will “open up”! Do you remember and believe My promise in 2 Chron. 7:14? I said: **“If My people, who are called by My Name, will humble themselves and pray and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.”**

This is My desire for you, that: **“You will seek Me and find Me when you seek Me with all your heart.”** (Jer. 29:13)

Come to Me with faith, in brokenness: **My Son, Jesus, tells you, that whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it and it will be yours. And when you stand praying, if you hold anything against anyone, forgive him, so that I, your Father in heaven, may forgive you your sins. But if you do not forgive, neither will I, your Father in heaven, forgive your trespasses.** (from Mark 11:24-26)

Let’s do this My way, as it is written in 1 Tim.2:8, **“I want men everywhere to lift up holy hands in prayer, without anger or disputing.”**

My Son showed you the main focus points of prayer when He said, in Matt. 6:9-13; **“This, then, is how you should pray”:**

- **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**
- **FORGIVE US OUR DEBTS AS WE HAVE FORGIVEN OUR DEBTORS**
- **AND LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION**
- **BUT DELIVER US FROM THE EVIL ONE**
- **FOR YOURS IS THE KINGDOM AND THE POWER AND THE GLORY FOREVER. AMEN**

2. JESUS' conversation with me about ...

PRAYER

Prayer is a privilege, an active way of communication between Me and you! It must become part of your lifestyle, therefore: **“Pray continually.”**
(1 Thess. 5:17)

As you speak to Me through prayer, you will stand amazed at so many things in and about your life that I desire to show you. **Call to My Father and He will answer you and will tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.** (from Jer. 33:3)

I have given you guidelines through My Word about how to pray. You do not need to find it difficult to pray, nor to become discouraged in your prayer life. Understand how to experience a life of answered prayers in a relationship with Me, by following My principles in prayer.

Remember: **“Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened. Which of you, if his son asks for bread, will give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a snake? If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask Him!”**
(Matt. 7:7-11)

Through prayer, your emotions, heart and mind can be protected and made whole. **Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to My Father.**

And His peace, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Me. (from Phil. 4:6-7)

Commit yourself to My Father in prayer with a pure heart and, by faith, you will see My Hand moving in and through your life. James 4:3 challenges you: **“When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasure.”**

Surrender to Me in repentance and you will see your breakthrough:
Submit yourselves then to My Father. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. Come near to My Father and He will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your heart, you double-minded.
(from James 4:7-8)

Position yourself accurately with sincerity in prayer, and heaven will open up. Do you remember and believe the promise in 2 Chron. 7:14? It is written that: **If God’s people, who are called by His Name, will humble themselves and pray and seek His face and turn from their wicked ways, then He will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.**

This is My desire for you: **“You will seek Me and find Me when you seek Me with all your heart.”** (Jer. 29:13)

Come to Me with faith, in brokenness: **“... I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it and it will be yours. And when you stand praying, if you hold anything against anyone, forgive him, so that your Father in heaven may forgive you your sins. But if you do not forgive, neither will your Father in heaven forgive your trespasses.”** (Mark 11:24-26)

Let us do this My way, as it is written in 1Tim.2:8, **“I want men everywhere to lift up holy hands in prayer, without anger or disputing.”**

I showed you the main focus points of prayer in Matt. 6:9-13. Remember: **“This, then, is how you should pray”:**

- **OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN**
- **HALLOWED BE YOUR NAME**
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3. MY conversation with myself about ...

PRAYER

Prayer is a privilege, an active way of communication between God and me! It is part of my lifestyle, therefore, **I will pray continually.**
(from 1 Thess. 5:17)

As I speak to God, through prayer, I know that I will stand amazed at so many things in and about my life that God wants to show me. Jer. 33:3 tells me that **I must call to God, and He will answer me and tell me great and unsearchable things I do not know.**

God has given me guidelines through His Word about how to pray. I need not find prayer difficult, nor become discouraged in my prayer life. I need to understand how to experience a life of answered prayers in a relationship with God by following God's principles in prayer. **I will ask and it will be given to me; I will seek and I will find; I will knock and the door will be opened to me. For if I ask, I will receive; If I seek, I will find; and if I knock, the door will be opened. If my son asks for bread, will I give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will I give him a snake? If a man, then, though he is evil, knows how to give good gifts to his children, how much more will my Father in heaven give good gifts to me who asks Him!** (from Matt. 7:7-11)

Through prayer, my emotions, heart and mind can be protected and made whole! Phil. 4:6,7 reminds me that **I must not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, I must present my requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard my heart and my mind in Christ Jesus.**

I will commit with a pure heart, by God's grace, in prayer, and I believe I will see God's Hand moving in and through my life. James 4:3 challenges me in this way: **When I ask, and I do not receive, it is because I ask with wrong motives, that I may spend what I get on my pleasure.**

I will surrender myself to God in repentance and I know I will see breakthroughs in my life. James 4:7,8 tells me that ... **I must submit myself, then, to God. When I resist the devil he will flee from me. I will come near to God and He will come near to me. As a sinner I will wash my hands, and if I am double-minded, I will purify my heart.** By God's grace, I will position myself accurately, with sincerity. **God, You have said that if we, your people who are called by Your Name, will humble ourselves and pray and seek Your face and turn from our wicked ways, then You will hear from heaven and will forgive our sin and heal our land.** (from 2 Chron. 7:14)

God, I know that Your desire is for me to understand that: **If I seek You, God, I will find You, when I seek You with all my heart.** (from Jer. 29:13)

I choose to come to You, God, with faith and in brokenness, because **Jesus tells me, whatever I ask for in prayer, I must believe that I have received it, and it will be mine. And when I stand praying, if I hold anything against anyone, I must forgive him, so that my Father in heaven may forgive me my sins. But if I do not forgive, neither will my Father in heaven forgive my trespasses.** (from Mark 11:24-26)

God, You want us to do it Your way, as it is written that **everyone (including me) must lift up holy hands in prayer, without anger or disputing.** (from 1 Tim. 2:8)

The main focus points of prayer in Matt. 6:9-13: **This, then, is how Jesus taught me how I should pray:**

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4. TRUTH'S conversation with me about ...

PRAYER

Prayer is a privilege, an active way of communication between God and me. I know prayer must become part of my lifestyle. I need to: **“Pray continually.”** (1 Thess. 5:17)

As you communicate with God through prayer, you will be amazed at so many things, in and about your life, that He desires to show you.

Jer. 33:3 says: **“Call to Me and I will answer you and will tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.”**

Pray according to the guidelines which God has given us, and you will not find prayer difficult nor become discouraged in your prayer life. Understand how to experience a life of answered prayers in a relationship with Him, by following His principles in prayer. Matt. 7:7-11 explains: **“Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened. Which of you, if his son asks for bread, will give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a snake? If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask Him!”**

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Believe that when you position yourself accurately with sincerity in prayer, heaven will open up. 2 Chron. 7:14 says: **“If My people, who are called by My Name, will humble themselves and pray and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.”**

See God’s heart for you, when He says: **“You will seek Me and find Me when you seek Me with all your heart.”** (Jer. 29:13)

I need to pray with faith, in brokenness. Mark 11:24-26 says: **“Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it and it will be yours. And when you stand praying, if you hold anything against anyone, forgive him, so that your Father in heaven may forgive you your sins. But if you do not forgive, neither will your Father in heaven forgive your trespasses.”**

We are going to do this God’s way, as it is written in 1Tim.2:8, **“I want men everywhere to lift up holy hands in prayer, without anger or disputing.”**

Let us follow the main focus points of prayer in Matt. 6:9-13. As Jesus said:

“This, then, is how you should pray”:

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NOTES

(Your response)
