

The Transforming Power of Praise-Filled Prayer - Week 1

Our Mission: Transforming Real People into Real Followers of Jesus Christ.

“The best you is yet to be and the Holy Spirit loves to work with you to bring about your glorious transformation for Christ’s glory”.

Last Week: Secret for Successful Transformation

“Work with the Holy Spirit on what He is working on in you now until it’s worked out in your life. Take responsibility to do your part and the Holy Spirit will do His part.”
Philippians 2:12b-13

This Week: Transformational Habit #1- Seeking God daily through praise-filled prayer.
Psalms 34:1-8

Praise-filled prayer lifts us up, fills us up, frees us up and keeps us from giving up when life is more than we can handle. That’s why we must make it a daily habit!
Romans 12:12

Jesus chose daily praised-filled prayer as the highest priority of His life so He could deal with all the pressure His life was under. He saw prayer as His life line with His Father and the well spring of all His ministry. *Mark 1:32-35; John 5:19-20; John 17:1-5*

Your honest perspective on daily praised-filled prayer will determine your heart participation in it and what you get from it. *Hebrews 4:14-16*

Your Heavenly Father wants you to see your time with Him as a time of ...

- 1) Intimate Friendship: *John 15:15; Romans 5:11*
- 2) Wise Mentorship: *James 1:5; Psalm 32:8*
- 3) Purposeful Partnership: *Ephesians 1:11; James 5:16b*

How do I seek God daily in praise-filled prayer?

1. Praise Him first for who He is and all He loves to do. *Matthew 6:9; Psalm 145:1-3; 8;14;17-18*

Why is praising God so effective?

Praise focuses our hearts on God.
Praise cleanses our hearts of cares and fears
Praise increases our faith
Praise invites God’s presence and God’s power
Praise overcomes Satan’s attacks

2. Surrender your plans for His will believing He knows best and His timing is best too. *Matthew 6:10*

3. Ask boldly in faith for what Jesus told you to ask for and what the Word of God tells you to ask for. *Matthew 6:11-13; Colossians 1:9-11*

4. Finish with praise and keep giving thanks all day.
1 Thessalonians 5:17-18

Next week’s message: Benefits of Belonging

Life Application Questions:

- 1) How do you see prayer? How meaningful is your time of prayer? Review how God wants you to see it. What attitude needs to change in you?
- 2) What changes in how you pray would help you develop the habit of praise-filled prayer into your life more?