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PERSONAL BIBLE STUDY NOTES

**TURNING
UNANSWERED
PRAYERS AROUND**



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Hi,

Over the years I have had numerous people ask me for a copy of my sermon notes for their own personal Bible studies. I am glad to be able to present them to you. You have in your hands an exact copy of my sermon notes for your very own personal studies. I pray that as you study the Word, that the Holy Spirit will add even more than what you have before you. Put yourself there in what you are studying. What were they feeling, what were they facing...make the Word come alive by placing yourself there.

I am also including a list of the resources that I use to obtain my information, but I will say this, without the Holy Spirit guiding and teaching you under the anointing all you have is just a bunch of books. I always pray before, during, and upon deliverance of each message I receive. I pray that...***you might be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding (Colossians 1:9).*** I am both honored and blessed that you have selected a Sermon Notes Series and I pray that it will be a blessing to you!

With Much Love,
Pastor John

RESOURCES USED

- * The Companion Bible
- * Dake's Annotated Reference Bible
- * Young's Analytical Concordance To The Bible
- * A Dictionary Of Bible Types
- * Vine's Expository Dictionary Of New Testament Words
- * The American College Dictionary
- * World's Bible Handbook
- * The Zondervan Pictorial Bible Dictionary
- * Nelson's Three- in- One Bible Reference Companion
- * The Word -The Bible In 26 Translations
- * God's Plan For Man
- * Harper's Encyclopedia Of Bible Life
- * Nelson's Expository Dictionary Of The Old Testament
- * Manners And Customs From the Bible
- * What The Bible Is All About
- * Halley's Bible Handbook

These are just a small listing of the study aides that I use. The greatest study aide available is letting the Holy Spirit be your teacher. May you get to know Him!

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OUR VISION

“My people are destroyed for a lack of knowledge;”

Hosea 4:6

“For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he:”

Proverbs 23:7

“...and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding;”

Colossians 1:9

“Through wisdom is an house builded; and by understanding it is established: and by knowledge shall the chambers be filled with all precious and pleasant riches. A wise man is strong; yea, a man of knowledge increaseth strength.”

Proverbs 24:3-5

“And the Gospel must first be published among all nations.”

Mark 13:10

As the Scriptures speak for themselves, our vision is to empower Believers everywhere to live a victorious abundant lifestyle that can be obtained through wisdom and understanding. If you are willing to change the way you think, you can change the way you live. A renewed mind towards the Word of God established you firmly in the faith and opens the door for the blessings and benefits of God to become evident in your life.

Because We Believe In You,
John and Karen Pelizzari

TURNING UNANSWERED PRAYERS AROUND

Romans 8:38-39 [38] For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, [39] Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

1. I want you to notice in the list of things that cannot separate us from God's love is "things to come."
 - a. A lot of believers have great concern over the economy, jobs, housing, governmental crisis in addition to everyday things in life.
2. We don't know what is coming in the days ahead so the Holy Spirit has been sent to lead us and guide us into all truth.
 - a. There is no need to fear things to come because absolutely nothing can separate us from Him.
 - b. So what do you do when your prayers seem to go unanswered during times like these?

Matthew 7:7 Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you:

3. Many people can recall experiences where they have asked for something and didn't receive it.
 - a. That's why some people no longer go to church.
 - b. So why do church folks wrestle with receiving after they have asked?

Romans 3:4 God forbid: yea, let God be true, but every man a liar; as it is written, That thou mightest be justified in thy sayings, and mightest overcome when thou art judged.

4. "***Let***" is a permissive word. In your situation, are you ***letting*** God's Word be true?
5. God's truth is what works out your circumstances to your benefit.
6. So you must let God be the final word concerning whatever it is that you are going through.
 - a. In every circumstance, ***let God be true, but every man a liar.***
 - b. God's Word is true, not your experiences, your perception, your judgements, your analysis of it,

what experience and knowledge you think you have.

- c. You're not told to draw on what you think you know about the matter, you're called to draw on God.
7. When someone works the Word and doesn't seem to produce the desired results, rather than admit that they could have missed it somewhere, we say something like:
 - a. ...or it must not be God's will.
 - b. ...God had something else in mind.
 - c. And we brace ourselves for failure, loss and destruction.
 - d. Which is faith perverted in expecting something from satan, who comes to kill, steal and destroy, not God.
8. If truth be known, God is not the one who failed to answer, but we are the ones who missed it somewhere.

Romans 14:23 ...for whatsoever is not of faith is sin.

9. So what happens when we ask in prayer?

Daniel 9:21 Yea, whiles I was speaking in prayer, even the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, being caused to fly

swiftly, touched me about the time of the evening oblation.

10. God moved immediately!

Daniel 9:21 (NLT) As I was praying, Gabriel, whom I had seen in the earlier vision, came swiftly to me at the time of the evening sacrifice.

11. When did God send an answer? ***While he was praying!***

12. God sent Gabriel to bring an answer.

a. But the second time Daniel prayed, it took longer for the answer to manifest.

Daniel 10:12-13 [12]Then said he unto me, Fear not, Daniel: for from the first day that thou didst set thine heart to understand, and to chasten thyself before thy God, thy words were heard, and I am come for thy words. [13] But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me one and twenty days: but, lo, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me; and I remained there with the kings of Persia.

13. Again, as soon as Daniel prayed, God sent an answer immediately. But this time the answer encountered opposition.

14. That's where most of us *shoot off at the mouth* and empower the enemy to hinder the answer.

a. Most of us during these 21 days of silence would be so negative, disappointed, discouraged and scrambling for solutions in our minds instead of in our Bibles.

15. Our problem is that He always supplies the answers to our spirit man first, not to our physical senses.

a. That throws us off because we want relief and results, not a word that we have to work out.

Hebrews 11:1 Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

16. Our faith brings substance to what we are hoping for.

17. What is faith? **It is believing in something that you cannot yet see and hoping in something that you do not understand.**

18. When words of faith are spoken, it begins the creative process in materializing what one is saying, either positive or negative.

Hebrews 11:1 (NLT) What is faith? It is the confident assurance that what we hope for is going to happen. It is the evidence of things we cannot yet see.

19. Through faith, we give physical substance to what God has already done for us.
20. Every Bible promise is waiting to manifest, it just needs your words to activate it.
 - a. Spiritual power has to be converted to physical power.
 - b. It works like radio signals that have to be converted into frequencies that can be heard by our ears.
 - c. You don't hear the actual signal broadcast by the radio station, but you do hear what has been picked up by a receiver and translated into an audible sound.
 - d. Just because you don't hear them or understand how it works doesn't mean it's not there.
21. We are responsible for believing that, and acting accordingly to bring the answer into the physical world.
 - a. This is the way our answers to prayer come.

Ephesians 3:20 Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,

22. God moves in the spirit world and gives us our answer in the spirit. Then we convert it into a physical reality through our words and actions.
 - a. We are the ones who produce the answer by the power working in us.
 - b. God works the miracles through us.
 - c. Without Him, we can do nothing.
23. Because He has made us joint heirs together with Jesus, we see here that He does nothing without us.
 - a. We have a part to play in receiving from God.
 - b. Ignorance of this has been our greatest problem.
24. We will say things to jeopardize our faith.
 - a. Well, if this doesn't happen soon, then we will experience this...really, how did you draw that conclusion?
 - b. Is that based on the Word, your past experience or your vast knowledge on the matter?
 - c. See, we eliminate the God factor even before the enemy begins to threaten us.
 - d. Allow me to mess with your doctrine.

Mark 11:24 Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye

**pray, believe that ye receive them,
and ye shall have them.**

25. When you pray, you should already be believing that you have it, that's why you are praying.
26. Most people believe that praying will help them believe in having it.
27. If you don't believe that you received it yet, you shouldn't be praying, you should be in the Word getting convinced otherwise.

a. Faith comes by hearing.

1 John 5:14-15 [14] And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us: [15] And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him.

28. His Word is His will.
29. You receive in your spirit by faith first and it shall come to pass in the physical later.
 - a. You must believe that you have received ***when you pray.***
30. It may be one minute, one day, or one year, but you cannot waiver in your belief that God has already answered your prayer.

- a. You don't know what is causing the delay so be quiet or sing victory songs.
31. The time that it takes for God's answer to be manifest in the physical is dependent upon many things, but it is not God who determines that.
 - a. God answers immediately.
 - b. God isn't asking you to believe something that isn't true.
32. Whether it be satan, people's wills, or unbelief...it's not God at fault.
 - a. see, if you're still unsure whether He will move on your situation or not, ***you're*** still in doubt.....don't blame God.

Psalm 102:27 But thou art the same, and thy years shall have no end.

33. God has already answered your faith filled prayers.
 - a. But your doubtful concerns that you prayed never left the launchpad.
 - b. **Malachi 3:6 For I am the Lord, I change not...**
 - c. **Hebrews 13:8 Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.**

34. This is a fundamental truth that you must be established in before you can even begin to do anything about speeding up the answer to your prayers.

Hebrews 11:6 But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

Hebrews 11:6 (MSG) It's impossible to please God apart from faith. And why? Because anyone who wants to approach God must believe both that he exists and that he cares enough to respond to those who seek him.

35. If you have prayed a prayer in line with God's Word, God answers it immediately.

- a. If you understand that, then you are ready to begin releasing your faith over bringing that answer into complete manifestation.

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