

Effective Prayer By Lucinda Davidoff October 4, 2020

James 5:16 The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much. **Effective** means producing a desired or intended result

Fervent means having or showing great warmth or intensity of spirit, feeling, enthusiasm, Who is a **Righteous man or woman**- those of us that are righteous in Christ

The veil has been torn which means we have access into the very throne room of God the Father, that means we enter each time that we pray into His glory.

Hebrews 4:16 "Let us therefore come boldly unto the **throne of grace**, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need"

What Environment do we enter when we pray

The book of revelation explains the throne room- it describes the throne of God and the 24 elders around the throne constantly worshipping God the Father. We read of the cherubim – these are angels around the throne and they have 4 heads – magnificent creatures and they never stop saying 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty,' who was, and is, and is to come."

and when we know the majesty and power that's in the throne room we would run to the throne room every day!

To me it's going to the throne room is like going to a heavenly spa each morning to be revitalized, refreshed, renewed and re-commissioned everyday

It's not a religious ritual but it's a relationship with our AWESOME MAJESTIC Heavenly

Father Revelation 4:1-11

The Throne in Heaven

1 After this I looked and saw a door standing open in heaven. And the voice I had previously heard speak to me like a trumpet was saying, "**Come up here**, and I will show you what must happen after these things."

2 At once I was in the Spirit, and I saw a throne standing in heaven, with someone seated on it. **3** The One seated there looked like jasper and carnelian, and a rainbow that gleamed like an emerald encircled the throne. **4** Surrounding the throne were twenty-four other thrones, and on these thrones sat twenty-four elders dressed in white, with golden crowns on their heads.

5 From the throne came flashes of lightning, and rumblings, and peals of thunder. Before

the throne burned seven torches of fire. These are the seven Spirits^a of God. 6 And before the throne was something like a sea of glass, as clear as crystal. In the center, around the throne, were four living creatures, covered with eyes in front and back. 7 The first living creature was like a lion, the second like a calf, the third had a face like a man, and the fourth was like an eagle in flight. 8 And each of the four living creatures had six wings and was covered with eyes all around and within. Day and night they never stop saying:

“Holy, Holy, Holy,
is the Lord God Almighty,
who was and is and is to come!”

9 And whenever the living creatures give glory, honor, and thanks to the One seated on the throne who lives forever and ever, 10 the twenty-four elders fall down before the One seated on the throne, and they worship Him who lives forever and ever. They cast their crowns before the throne, saying:

11 “Worthy are You, our Lord and God,
to receive glory and honor and power,
for You created all things;
by Your will they exist and came to be.”

Revelation 22:1 And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God and of the Lamb.

How do we enter the Holies of Holies?

Heb 10:19-22

¹⁹ Therefore, brethren, **having boldness** to enter the **Holiest by the blood of Jesus**,²⁰ by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, **through the veil**, that is, **His flesh**,²¹ and *having* a High Priest over the house of God, ²² let us draw near with a **true heart in full assurance of faith**, having our **hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience** and our **bodies washed** with pure water.

1. **Having BOLDNESS!!!** Don't shrink back- step in...since the garden of Eden God wanted to have fellowship with us, have us draw close to Him...so come- don't run from Him run to Him
2. **We enter through Jesus** – If we have received Jesus as our Lord and Savior

we have access to the Holy of Holies to God our Father and we have become part of the family

When Jesus was crucified the physical veil of the temple was torn. In the old testament only the priests who were chosen and consecrated into priesthood could enter the Holy of Holies. But now when the veil was torn, a new veil was formed a new access was granted, through the flesh of Jesus. Because we are in Christ – God the Father sees Jesus and therefore we are justified and we are being sanctified

3. **We enter with a true heart**- no pretense, no ulterior motives, as we are. Not to be seen by others, but to have communion with God- do not be like the hypocrites Jesus tells us in Matthew 6- who pray just to be seen.

4. **We enter with Full assurance of faith**- we are being heard and our prayer work

1 John 5:14 And this is the confidence that we have before Him: If we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. 15 And if we know that He hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we already possess what we have asked of Him.

It's the prayer of faith that is effective

James 5:13 Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing psalms. 14 Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. 15 **And the prayer of faith will save the sick**, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. 16 Confess *your* trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much. 17 Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and **he prayed earnestly** that it would not rain; and it did not rain on the land for three years and six months. 18 And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth produced its fruit.

Heb 11:1 Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. NOW faith is- faith comes by choosing to believe now

Mark 11:23 Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive *them*, and you will have *them*.

5. **Having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies**

washed- we know that we come through the righteousness of Jesus. His righteousness is a free gift. And because I am in Him I am righteous and there is NO condemnation for me. Even if I messed up huge now, I am still righteous because I am in Christ Jesus. So I ask forgiveness and walk in freedom.

Does an evil conscience keep you from praying or reading your bible, don't wait to be "clean" before you come to Jesus. Coming to Him and reading the word will wash you clean as His word, who is Jesus cleanses us. We are already clean John 15 tells us because of the word He has spoken to us

Hebrews 4:16 Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

Effects of prayer on you as a child of God as you enter the Holy of Holies each day

When you enter into that throne room day by day you cannot but be

TRANSFORMED Isaiah 40:31

But those who **wait** on the LORD
Shall **renew their strength**;
They shall **mount up with wings like eagles**, (get a different perspective) They shall **run and not be weary**,
They shall **walk and not faint**.

Waiting on the Lord is a posture of our hearts

- Waiting is a posture of the heart....it's exercising a fruit of the spirit
- What are we waiting for – the early and latter rains and then the fruit that is produced because of the rain

James 5:7 Therefore be patient, brethren, until the coming of the Lord. See *how* the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, waiting patiently for it until it receives the early and latter rain. ⁸ You also be patient. Establish your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is at hand.

- Waiting on the Lord- **you can only wait patiently if there is a reward in the period of**

waiting- that reward comes from relationship- infilling and an enabling and a refreshing happening as you wait- that happens in the throne room

- How can you wait and be fervent and passionate at the same time- by receiving that reward from being in the throne room, experiencing God's glory
- There's a reward in prayer Jesus says in Matthew 6
- It's a spa experience if renewal, restoration (He restores my soul), refreshing, and getting a RHEMA word for today

2 Corinthians 3:17, 18 Now the Lord is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord *is*, there *is* liberty. ¹⁸ But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.

Activating a prayer life:

1. Make space for it in your daily routine – I have to do it before the kids get up or I won't get to it. It's just proven – so I do it from 6am to 7am daily

Matthew 26: 40 “Then He came to the disciples and found them sleeping, and said to Peter, “What! Could you not watch with Me one hour?”

2. Start praying with someone that already prays daily- accountability is everything – if I know I am COMMITTED To pray with someone I will do it

Jesus asked His disciples to pray with Him

3. Learn how easy it is to pray and become addicted to the “effect” it has on your life- become addicted to the results of prayer

4. Start meditating on the value of prayer – Its part of the armour of God in

As I BEHOLD the glory of God I am being changed from glory to glory

When I pray the word of God my prayers are answered

Ephesians 6:11 Put on the whole armour of God so you will be able to stand against the wiles or schemes of the devil

Mark 14:38 Watch and pray so you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is

willing but the flesh is weak.