

Title: Earnestly

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In accordance with the Spirit, we are bringing attention to the old testament Bible studies we have done in the past couple of years *including* Isaiah, Ezekiel, Daniel, Zechariah, Joel, and Ezra, that are available on our website for you to access and study. Holy Spirit has directed us to continue in our biblical studies to deepen His work in the revelation of who He is. It is a well of information you can feed and drink *from* as much as you want. Holy Spirit is faithful in giving us so much revelation in these books that are applicable to us today. There are things that have been fulfilled, are being fulfilled, and will be fulfilled soon. We do not want to be found ignorant. Everything we have need of is there in the scripture. There is also a whole series of a biblical studies we have done on the book of Revelation that will strengthen and encourage you. If you are hungry, eat! Let others know as well, and contact us if you have any questions.

Matthew 11:28-29 NKJV

While in prayer In the middle of the night, Jesus was declaring **“Come to me”** with a very bold, strong, powerful, passionate, and earnest voice. He stated this a long time ago to those who were following Him. His words are alive and they continue. He is alive and well. He is continuing to call forth those who are in His family and those who are still lost, saying *“Come to me, all who are weary and heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me. For I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.”* Thank you, Jesus. It is the cry of His heart. He desires that none should perish. Jesus is earnest, and that is the title of this message today, “Earnestly.”

Jesus is earnest. He is earnestly praying for us with all of His heart and these prayers matter. When you just cry out every day and declare His word, you would be surprised how the angels of the Lord will take that message and go carry it out. It will land on the folks that need to hear it. Especially those that you have been laboring for a long time in prayer. Those prodigals and people who are not saved yet. Just keep decreeing the word of the Lord, because the Holy Spirit is moving. He really is moving. He is hovering, and He is drawing people to Himself. So, I want you all to read this with me out loud together as a prayer from Jesus.

“Come to me all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me. For I am gentle, and I am lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.” Amen. May the Lord truly go into the depths of your heart. Be encouraged with His voice today.

Hebrews 1 and 2

Amen! The powerful testimony of Jesus Christ is in these passages. This is a living testament of Jesus. You hear the heart of the Father here, from the beginning to the end. The cry of the Father desiring for many sons to come into glory. We must never forget it. He said, “Take heed.” Take heed, take earnest heed, take the more earnest heed to the things that you have heard lest you drift away. Take heed. Earnestly hear what the Spirit of the Lord is saying. Do not forget who He is. Do not forget what He has done. Do not forget your great salvation. Do not forget what Christ came to do. How He suffered to the uttermost for us to be saved. Do not forget.

Put it in the forefront of your mind daily. It was not just that salvation that happened fifty years ago. It was not just that salvation that happened last week. It is an ongoing revelation knowledge of Jesus Christ, the Kingdom, and His heart to bring us to glory. Immediately you

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can hear the cry of His heart for all that He has conquered. All that He has overcome and all of the angelic hosts ever created serve King Jesus. They all serve Him. They follow Him. They attend to His Word. The greater glory is that they even attend to our words. As we proclaim, what He says and as I am just reading this passage to you. Some may see in the unseen realm and some may not. But, as I just read these passages to you, Heaven is rejoicing over this. The angelic hosts around us and here with us now, who hear the words, are literally rejoicing over this word. They are empowered by these words. They are strengthened. They know their position. They know that they are submitted to the King. As we fill our own hearts and mouths with the words of God, they are listening to and hearken to that word. They are going to carry it out, and they perform what the Word says.

We have to always remember that the Father's heart is for Heaven to come down to Earth. Heaven is active. Heaven is loud, vibrant, and beautiful. *It is full of grace, mercy, and joy.* Yes, Heaven is God manifested in fullness! He asks us to pray a very beautiful prayer. One that you know and you have heard. Those who have been born again have become sons of glory. That is children of God. Yes, many sons coming to glory, to the glory of the Lord. We have been talking about anticipating the glory of the Lord. Making a way for the glory of the Lord in our own lives, for God to manifest Himself in our midst and our hearts, and for His Kingdom to come. We know that we are in alignment with what Jesus said.

Matthew 6:9-13

We know this and it is a part of our daily prayer and contemplation. It is a part of daily thanksgiving for us, and is something that Jesus showed us. "Pray this way," yet, it is just a starting point. It just opens your heart to putting God first and honoring Him, and for asking for His kingdom to come and be manifested in our lives. We desire His manifest presence. We have permission. God is for us. God wants to manifest and reveal Himself to every one us. Yes, we earnestly desire His kingdom to come, and for His will to be done on Earth as it is in Heaven. We earnestly desire His glory and His power to be revealed now.

I have heard it said and was recently reminded this week, that some stop at a certain place in this prayer. They leave out *the phrase* "for yours is the Kingdom, and yours is the power, and yours is the glory, forever." But, we do not. As believers of the Lord Jesus Christ, we are joining with the Lord Jesus. We are earnestly desiring for many sons to come to glory and for God's presence to be revealed. We are earnestly desiring His Kingdom to come. Not just dead works and dead religion, we want to know the Lord. We want to know Him. We want to know and be known by Him. Yes! That is the heartbeat of Christ, *for us* to forsake all and follow Him.

We are reminded in those passages I just read you in Hebrews of what it really looks like. We have been sanctified by Jesus through the Holy Ghost, and we are being sanctified. We are being made holy. We are being prepared every day. Yet, just when you think you have attained a certain place, all of a sudden, He just shows up again and removes another layer, or veil, another place of your heart, mind, will, emotion, body, or your ministry. He shows you a greater glory. He shows you a greater truth about who He is. All of a sudden you are going along, and He shows you where you need to be pruned, or you need to give up something. Where you need to repent and change your way of thinking. That is God. Yes, it is revival fire. That is what He does.

This year you are going to hear over and over, spoiler.... "Feed the flame, beloved." Feed the flame, feed the flame, feed the flame of what burns in your spirit to be revealed. Nurture what God has put inside of you. Honor what God has revealed to you. Honor what He is going to reveal to you. Feed what is hot inside of you. When you do that, He is going to continue to let that thing spread. It will go over into the place that is a little bit dry, or maybe a little bit wet, damp, or cold. We do not want to be lukewarm. We have talked about that. He vomits the

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lukewarm out of His mouth it says in Revelation chapter three. We want to be hot. It is the hour to be hot, and it is the hour to “feed the flame.” *This* is the hour to line up with the Kingdom of Heaven and desire earnestly for His manifest presence and for His Kingdom to come in fullness. We are a part of that journey, yes. We desire earnestly for His will to be done.

When you see things shaking, just tuck right up *at* the hem of His garment and talk up to Him. Lean in close and say, “Your will be done.” You can feel the strength there. You can feel the power there. You can feel the anointing there. It is not a dead prayer. “Your will be done,” even when you do not understand. “Your will be done,” and it is not a religious cop out for when you do not get your prayers answered. Saying, “Well, Lord, just your will be done,” and then give up in unbelief and doubt. It is power. It is glory. It is significant. It is the Kingdom coming.

God's Kingdom is ever increasing! You ask, “How do you know the glory is going to get greater?” Because God's Kingdom is one of increase. He never decreases. You cannot put out the fire of God. He is passionately pursuing us. Yes, He is passionately pursuing the lost. He uses us to save *them*. Isn't that something else! Isn't that amazing! This is for us, beloved.

Romans 8:1-3 NKJV

“God did.” That is a big statement, “God did by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh on the account of sin.” I love this.

Romans 8:4-5

We are those who live by the Spirit. Yes, we do not want to keep our minds on the flesh. Say, “under the blood of Jesus.”

Romans 8:6-8

Big statement! So, I must do whatever it takes to see that my flesh is submitted to the Holy Ghost and fire and to His will. “Your Kingdom come,” there is that prayer again, “your will be done.” Everything is going to line right up when that happens.

Romans 8:9-10

I read that in Hebrews. It is the scepter of righteousness. It is Christ's rule and reign. He has the scepter of righteousness. He rules from righteousness and from the throne of God. He makes everything right. He makes us right with God. We have been made right with God, beloved. Then He gives us a rule of authority in that scepter in His kingdom. He calls us ambassadors. He calls us kings and priests. He calls us sons and daughters. He calls us apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers. He calls us children, saints of the living God.

He imparts to us His righteousness. The breastplate of righteousness. The robes of righteousness. We have become the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus. This is what brings Heaven to Earth, not our flesh, not our good works, not how much we prayed or studied or have given. It is about the blood of Jesus. The blood of Jesus, His cloak. The love of Jesus and His anointing. He has the greatest anointing, full and completely baptized, immersed in, and walking in submission to the Holy Ghost. Yet, He says He lives in us. Isn't that amazing? Everything we have need of is already within us and yet there is always more. There is always more revelation, but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.

Romans 8:11

We know that one day we will have physical resurrected bodies, hallelujah!

Romans 8:12

I do not owe the flesh anything, but to see it crucified every day. I have one word to say to the flesh, right? “I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I that lives, but Christ that lives in

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me.” Speak that out loud when you feel the tempter, or when you feel your flesh wanting to rule the day, and you find yourself at enmity with God. Speak the word of the Lord. Galatians two, is where that word is coming from. “I have been crucified with Christ.” You have already died with Him. You have already attained and received a spirit of grace, hallelujah!

Romans 8:13

“If by the Spirit,” it is by the Spirit. All the carnality, all the weakness, and everything that is tainted in this world wants to minister to the flesh. Cause you to be timid, shy, fearful, sick, dying and taken over by the evil one, and whatever evil works of the devil who wants to come against you. The key is, “by the Spirit, you put to death the deeds of the body, and you will live.” That is our part. You can say, “Help me, God,” all day, but we have been given power. We have been given authority. We have been given a word of the Lord. He told us to pray it, speak it, and rejoice in it. Yes, this is how it works.

Romans 8:14

We talked about that earlier. “He is calling many sons to glory.” I have heard it said, we are calling forth a billion souls harvest. I have felt this check in my spirit for a long time. Who said it is going to be a billion? Some prophet heard a billion. How many billions are on this planet? Somebody know the total? Seven billion people, and we are just asking for a billion? I am just saying.

You say, “I can't even get my neighbor saved.” That is why we are not alone. We are a body. We are a body in every continent. A body of ambassadors who are Spirit filled, Spirit led, and baptized in the Holy Ghost and fire. Those who have not tasted that yet, do not worry, because there is more coming. Jesus is earnestly praying for us. So bless those who say a billion, but I am not putting a cap on God. Just say “billions,” and let God do the math. How about that? And, the one next door. Yes, that one.

Romans 8:15-17

You have got to get this. We have got to get this. This is it. This is where the river is.

Romans 8:18

It does not say, “to us,” but, “in us.”

Romans 8:19

All of this, and right here in the middle, He throws in, “everything.” I would say “everything!” Do not limit it just to Earth. All of creation, everything that God has created, in the heavens above, and the Earth, and all beneath. Yes, everything, everywhere, all, from the stars, to trees, to animals, to planets, to galaxies and everything that God has created including the molecules in the air. Come on, let's get outside of the box. “All of creation is earnestly groaning, and earnestly desires to see many sons of glory.” Everyone is watching. Everyone is anticipating. Everyone is anticipating the glory of God. When you walk by, you walk through the forest, you walk down the rivers, you walk on your path, you walk to work and then you go to sleep at night. Know that all creation is earnestly desiring for many sons to come to glory.

Here we are. Oh, reveal the sons of God. Reveal them and manifest them. Here we are saying, “we must earnestly desire His presence. We must earnestly desire for His Kingdom to come.” It will and He will complete it. His will is to be done on Earth as it is in Heaven, until Jesus says that is it.

So, that is our assignment. You say, “I do not know if this is God's will.” If it is in Heaven, then He wants it on Earth, and He wants it in you, yes! If it is in Heaven, we still have permission by our Head to pray and manifest the Kingdom. It is all about the Kingdom.

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We are being prepared, beloved. A bride prepared, blameless, spotless, and without blemish, by our Lord Jesus Christ. I have told it over and over again. I say it over and over again. We must be so in love. Keep the flame burning in your heart for Him. If you have lost that love, come up here to the altar today and let's get right. Return to First Love. We must burn for Him. He will never stop. He will just keep pouring oil. You will be more and more and more in love with Him, hallelujah!

Revelation 4:8, "The Throne of God"

Declaring who God is. That is what is happening in Heaven. When we join Him on Earth, Heaven will be manifested to you here. We are not these creatures created to be around that throne. We were created to be His children. We actually have a higher seat.

John 17

Read Jesus's words. "I am in them, and they are in me, and are in us. We are one. Tell Him every day I love you. I love you Father, Son and Holy Ghost and I am in you and you are in me, and we are One. Manifest yourself to me. You can already feel the anointing right there. You feel Him right there. That is what He desires. That is calling many sons to glory, not to religion. Proclaiming who God Almighty was, is forever, and is to come.

Revelation 4:9-11

So, when we say, "Father, your Kingdom come, your will be done on Earth as in Heaven." We are joining with Heaven. When you come and submit yourself to Jesus, and pray, "Your Kingdom come, your will be done. All glory and honor and power belong to God." You join with Heaven in saying that, and the Kingdom will manifest in your midst corporately. The Kingdom will manifest. That is the Church's position.

Ephesians 2

We have been seated with Him in heavenly places, correct? We get to join now. We do not have to wait till we get to Heaven. I think we sing a song saying that. "You do not have to wait till we get to Heaven. Join in the glory now." Join there, and it is not just when you come up here on Sundays, Wednesdays, at a class, or a special time. You get to do that personally every day, and it will change your life. This will change everything. Everything will be made new, when you look up, and your redemption is here. "Look up, depart from the flesh, and move to the Spirit." Yes, and join Heaven in worship.

Revelation 5:9-10

There is the power again, and here is your billions. Out of every tribe, tongue, peoples, and nations, *will come those* who have been made kings and priests to our God. We shall reign on the Earth." So, when you join Jesus, He knows what is going down in Heaven. He left it to come here, because the Father earnestly desired to save us and make us one with Him. Yes! He knows what is going on.

When He says, "Pray this way," He just does a fast little summation and power packed statement. We are just unpacking a little bit of what really is going on in Heaven and what God really thinks about us. Christ Jesus is revealing this to us. He knows who He is. He knows what He is going to do. He knows what He has already done. He is already glorified. Yes, He has a seat as Great High Priest. The King of kings will come again to the Earth to establish His Kingdom. Hallelujah! Can you hear it? I am not telling you this. He did. "You have made us kings and priests to our God, and we shall reign on the Earth, now and forever."

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Revelation 5:12-14

It is just life. No clock in heaven. You get my point? This is the Kingdom. This is wisdom and revelation. This is knowledge that we have been given. God did not have to give us the insight in Revelation here about what is going on. He could have settled it with just the cross and His resurrection and a promise that a downpayment, the “earnest” of Holy Ghost is in us, for what is coming.

But, He opened up the book. He opened up the books from Heaven, to show us His heart and to show us what is going down. He showed us our future, our inheritance, and called us who we are. We start receiving that now. We start receiving it now. When we get there, oh Lord, *there will be* no veil or distance, but face to face. just face to face. Hear the heart of the Lord. He is for us, beloved.

Colossians 4:2-6

The apostle gives us the instruction to continue earnestly in prayer and be vigilant in it with thanksgiving. Prayer just got outside of the box. “Continue earnestly in prayer.” It is not optional if you have been born again. The Holy Ghost is going to draw you in, either out of your own need, or someone else's need, or by revelation through the great Holy Ghost dwelling in you. He says, “continue earnestly prayer.” It is not a dead work. It is not just a prayer you have to read. Everything I have been stating is just the tip on top of the iceberg.

Look what contending earnestly in prayer looks like. When your eyes are open to see it manifest, praise the Lord. But, he said, be diligent in it. Be vigilant in it, with thanksgiving. You heard already from Heaven. How many times does it say, “thanksgiving and glory and honor and praise be unto the Lord?” Yes, God is thankful. We need to be thankful every day. If you do not have something to thank God for, go back and get on the carpet. He will revive you. We need to be thankful every single day, and let Heaven hear that praise. You start there, I think the scripture says, “Come into His courts with thanksgiving and praise.”

Colossians 4:2-4

“Manifest,” *the* sons of God, manifest the sons of glory, manifest the power of God, manifest the Kingdom of God in, with, and through His people. That is our opportunity.

Colossians 4:5

“Redeeming the time,” walk with wisdom to those who are not in the covenant. Yes, to those who are not yet in Christ. “Walk with wisdom.” Do we not need that?

Colossians 4:6

That is the Spirit's job. He will fill our mouths.

I Corinthians 12:31, 13

A very familiar passage and a simple statement. He has been addressing the Holy Ghost and all the gifts. You can read all that at home. “He says so earnestly desire the best gifts. Yet I am going to show you a more excellent way,” and then He goes into love, because that is the greatest. “Faith, hope and love abide, but the greatest is love.” There you go. We are earnestly desiring.

I Corinthians 14:39

He is continuing on and says, “so, therefore brethren desire earnestly to prophesy and do not forbid speaking with tongues. Just let everything be done decently and in order.” That is amazing! Earnestly desire to prophesy. To prophesy is a gift of the Holy Ghost. Encourage, exhort, build up, speak what God is saying, and declare it to others and God. Wherever you are going, decree it, yes! But, also to manifest Jesus Christ. The Spirit of Prophecy is the testimony

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of Jesus. Preach the gospel in season and out. Amen. His word is good. He is stirring it up. Everybody say, "Fan the flame. Keep it hot."

1 Peter 4:7-11

Peter wrote this how many years ago? Okay, the end has got to be near, yes? Isn't that something else? It shows up everywhere. The heart of Heaven is for us. Can you hear it? I am just pulling a few verses. "In everything you do, do it as unto the Lord." "In everything you do, do it for the glory of God." Do everything in thanksgiving. Be serious. Be vigilant. Do not slack. Walk in the Spirit. Expect God. Earnestly desire all that God has for us. Do not hold back.

We sang it this morning, ask for the nations. I took the top off of the billion and said "billions." In every tribe, every nation, every tongue, God knows those who are His. He knows the workers of iniquity and the children of wrath. He knows those who are His children of light, and He is calling many sons to glory. He is just looking for a place to rest, which took me back to the original verse. "Come to me, come to me." He woke me up and shouted it. "Come to me!" That is the cry of His heart. See, that verse can be a familiar verse. Lots of journals have it on their covers. *It is in picture frames in your homes.* Nothing wrong with that, but it is our **lifestyle.**

Go back to Hebrews chapter one and two and meditate on what God Almighty has done through the Son. You are to become sons of glory, amen!

Let's stand up and close for today. Father, we thank you. We thank you for Jesus. We thank you that you earnestly desire for us to be saved and filled to overflowing in your Holy Ghost. You earnestly desire that we would partner with Heaven to bring Heaven to Earth. Here we are. Here we are. Here we are. Give us revelation knowledge of what we have become and who we will be. Everything centers around you, Lord Jesus. We honor you great Holy Spirit for removing and destroying the works of darkness, condemnation, lies, and guilt. You have forgiven us, Lord. We honor the blood that covers and makes all things new. Lord, we know it. We are laying hold of it today. In Jesus name, amen. Amen. God bless you.