

LISTENING PRAYER



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“God does nothing in this world except by prayer and he does everything by prayer.”

- John Wesley

WAKE UP CALLS



A TITHE OF TIME

- 24 hours in a day
- 2.4 hours per day = a tithe
- 1 in 10,000 American Christians pray for 1 hour per day

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“I looked for a man among them who would build up the wall and stand before in the gap on behalf of the land so I would not have to destroy it, but I found none.”

- Ezekiel 22:30-31

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“So I will pour out my wrath on them and consume them with my fiery anger, bringing down on their OWN heads all THEY have done, declares the Sovereign Lord.”

- Ezekiel 22:30-31

PARTNERING

- God is both justice and mercy.
- He is looking for prayer partners who invite him to bring mercy.
- He is calling us to stand in the GAP.

THE GAP

- The Gap is where **God's Agenda Prevails.**
- The Gap is where the **Action Is!**
- The Gap is where **God moves!**
- The Gap is where **Prayer becomes an ADVENTURE!**

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“Your Father knows what you need before you ask Him.”

- Matthew 6:8

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“This, then [because God already knows what you need] is how you should pray.”

- Matthew 6:9-10

“ His kingdom come, His will be done.

- Matthew 6:9-10

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The Kingdom = The King's Dome
The King's Dominion

DOMINION

- sovereignty; control
- authority; power, sway
- preeminence





Los Angeles King's Everbright Night Light



FORCE FIELD

- 11 foot force field around each of us
- “We have found there is a direct relationship between the heart-rhythm patterns and the spectral information encoded in the frequency spectra of the magnetic field radiated by the heart. Thus, information about a person’s emotional state is encoded in the heart’s magnetic field and is communicated throughout the body and into the external environment.”

FORCE FIELD

- “...evidence now supports the perspective that a subtle yet influential electromagnetic or "energetic" communication system operates just below our conscious level of awareness. The following section will discuss data that suggests this energetic system contributes to the "magnetic" attractions or repulsions that occur between individuals. The ability to sense what other people are feeling is an important factor in allowing us to connect, or communicate effectively with them.” - www.heartmath.org

ATMOSPHERE

- What atmosphere do you carry?
- How would you *most often* complete this sentence: I feel so _____
- (blessed, stressed, excited, frustrated?)
- THAT is the atmosphere you carry.
- It impacts everyone around you.

ATMOSPHERE

- “Feelers” pick up the atmosphere and it impacts them intensely.
- We all feel atmosphere to a greater or lesser degree.
- Shifting the atmosphere is both a developed skill and a cultivated spiritual gift.

THERMOMETER V THERMOSTAT

- Thermometer can tell you what the temperature is, but it's powerless to do anything about it.
- A thermostat senses the temperature in the room and immediately taps into the power supply to do something about it.
- A thermostat shifts the atmosphere.

THERMOMETER V THERMOSTAT

- Kingdom believers are called to SHIFT the atmosphere on the earth.
- Begin with shifting your own personal atmosphere.
- Then shift the atmosphere in your home.
- Then shift it in restaurants, stores, small rooms.

THERMOMETER V THERMOSTAT

- Continue to increase in your ability to consciously partner with God to shift the atmosphere until you can shift the atmosphere in a building, a stadium, a nation!
- William Wilberforce shifted the British Empire!

WILLIAM WILBERFORCE

- “God has set before me two great aims: the abolition of slavery and the reformation of society.” - William Wilberforce
- “He championed causes and campaigns such as the Society for the Suppression of Vice, British missionary work in India, the creation of a free colony in Sierra Leone, the foundation of the Church Mission Society, and the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals." wikipedia

OTHER EXAMPLES FROM BOOK THAT TRANSFORMS NATIONS

- William Caryl - India
- John Calvin - Switzerland
- Abraham Kuyper - The Netherlands
- Pilgrims - United States

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God has chosen to limit His actions on this earth to those things that are accomplished in and through the prayers of his people. The very life and prosperity of God's cause—even its very existence—depend on prayer.

- E. M. Bounds

LISTENING PRAYER

- To listen (Latin): *AUDIRE*
- To listen with great attention: *OB AUDIRE*
- English word: obedience (great listening)
- God is looking for great listeners

NOT LISTENING?

- To NOT listen (in Latin): SURDUS
- To be completely deaf: AB SURDUS
- Can you guess which English word is derived from Ab surdus?
- Absurd

NOT LISTENING?

- To try to pray without listening is absurd.
- To try to live an obedient Christian life without listening is absurd.
- We can do good things without listening
- We can even do great things without listening.
- But we can NOT obey God without listening.

NOT LISTENING?

- God is not looking for people who can do good things or great things.
- He is looking for people who are willing to listen closely and agree with Him in prayer to see His kingdom come and His will being done on earth as it is in heaven.

MOSES IN ABSURDITY

When Moses was forty years old, HE decided to visit his fellow Israelites. HE saw one of them being mistreated by an Egyptian, so HE went to his defense and avenged him by killing the Egyptian. Moses THOUGHT...

- Acts 7:23-25

MOSES IN ABSURDITY

When you are *thinking*, what are you NOT doing?

You are not *listening*!

ABSURDITY LEADS TO MORE ABSURDITY

Moses' absurdity results in more absurdity, including 40 years in obscurity. But in the quiet of the desert, he learned an important lesson: *how to listen*.

MOSES LEARNS OBEDIENCE

- After 40 years...
- “I have indeed seen the oppression of my people in Egypt. I have heard their groaning and have come down to set them free.”

- Acts 7:30

MOSES LEARNS OBEDIENCE

- Notice who is speaking.
- Notice who is initiating.
- Notice who is listening.
- Notice how much better it turns out for all concerned!
- Shift: Slavery to Freedom.

MOSES LEARNS OBEDIENCE

- “NOW COME, I will *send you back* to Egypt.” (Acts 7:34)
- God doesn’t *send us* so much as he *invites us* to come with Him as He leads the way.
- Don’t be surprised when God sends you back to the place where you thought you’d blown it and couldn’t never go back.

MOSES LEARNS OBEDIENCE

- Don't be surprised when God gives you a 'do-over' and gives you a second chance to walk in victory as you fulfill your destiny.
- If it's really your destiny, at some point, God will say, "Come. Let's go back together."

MOSES LEARNS OBEDIENCE

- Was there something you felt called to do, tried to do, but failed to do?
- Did you walk away (or even *run* away) thinking, “I guess that’s that”?
- Learn to listen and wait for God’s invitation to pick up where you left off and continue the journey.

MOSES LEARNS OBEDIENCE

- “This is the same Moses” (Acts 7:35)
- The same Moses had a completely different outcome when he learned to listen and let God lead.
- We often have the right idea but the wrong timing, wrong motives or wrong approach.
- Listening is the cure for all of that.

KEY TAKE AWAYS

- There's no shortage of Kingdom Assignments.
- God has assignments for you, but timing is critical.
- God has the real prayer list.
- Get in the Gap – that place where God's Agenda Prevails.

PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS

1. Trade Your Prayer List for God's Prayer List
2. Use a Journal rather than a list.
3. Pray with an open Bible.
4. Let GOD lead – learn to listen!



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RECOMMENDED RESOURCES

- Becoming a Vessel God Can Use.
WHAT'S MINISTRY REALLY LIKE?
What authentic ministry requires, what it actually costs and the process that must be embraced. Lifetime of wisdom!
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10 weeks for \$47

RECOMMENDED RESOURCES

- Unleash the Power of God.
Praying with Authority. Fasting.
www.donnapartow.com/power
30 days for \$47
- Begin with the 7 Step Process God took me
through before my trip to Brazil:
www.donnapartow.com/unleash

RECOMMENDED RESOURCES

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What if you were FREE to obey the command to “Go into all the world”?
- What if you could do what you love and get paid well to help people?
- What if you could live anywhere in the world?
- www.donnapartow.com/freedom



PRAYER



What is YOUR assignment?