



The Courts of Heaven

**Part One:
Heaven's Court of Redemption
The Blood Courts**

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INTRODUCTION:

This eBook, Heaven's Court of Redemption, is Part One in a two-part teaching.

Both eBooks in this series are divided into two sections.

The first section is the general teaching about the Courts, which has been included in both eBooks because it is important to understand what the Courts are, how they work and how you can access them.

The second section is the specific aspect of The Court of Redemption or The Court of Inheritance, respectively, as follows:

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THE CONCEPT OF THE COURTS OF HEAVEN

At the heart of the various teachings about the Courts of Heaven, is the premise of prayer and seeking answers to prayer, and understanding the Courts of Heaven as a place to go and seek an answer to as-yet unanswered prayers.

I believe in plain, straight-forward teaching, so let me dismantle the teaching and premise from the outset. I want you to understand from the beginning what I mean about the Courts.

The concept of the Courts of Heaven is this:-

**There are prayers that we have prayed that have gone unanswered.
It may not be that what we are asking for is wrong--
but that there is a different venue or a different way in which to pray.**

For example, many of us are familiar with warfare types of prayer, and these would be classified as Battle-Field Prayers. So, in the same way that you may be familiar with warfare prayer and deliverance prayer, if someone came to you and said, "I'm going to teach you about battlefield prayers – you may think "I've never heard of that" but in practice you are very familiar with it, but you haven't heard that terminology before.

The same is true with praying in the Courts of Heaven. It is a principle that you may be familiar with in your every day – especially if you pray prayers from the Word, and especially if you pray prayers from the book of Psalms – King David prayed often in the Courts. The new piece of the puzzle is the terminology of the Courts of Heaven.

Does that make sense? You have prayed in the Courts before, but you just haven't realized it, the same way that you have prayed in the battlefield, you just didn't use "battle-field prayer" terminology?

BUT: This is the Power of The Courts of Heaven:-

**When you come to understand where and how you are actually praying –
You can use this understanding and position to your advantage –
And that is the point of this teaching:-**

**To show you the resource and position you have in the Courts of Heaven,
Which will you give an advantage in prayer.**



That is the role of revelation. You get a deeper grasp on a spiritual principle and it sets you free at higher levels and you gain much needed strength, purpose and advantage.

For example, when you were first saved, you may have understood that God loved you and that because of Jesus' sacrifice, you can be forgiven of your sins.

But then, as you grow and learn more, you come to understand that not only have you been forgiven of those sins but that God no longer remembers them, and the way that He interacts with you is separate and apart from any memory of sin. He interacts with you from a position of looking forward to what can be, not from looking back at what once was.

When you come into a new revelation that not only does God love you and not only has God forgiven you, but also that God has chosen to forget every trace of memory of your sin, which means when you bring it up He has no idea what you're talking about and all He wants to do is move forward into the amazing blessings He has set aside for you, and that He will withhold no good thing from you – and all it takes to step into that place of living in the fullness of His promises is agreeing with Him that you are free from sin – that you have no sin left in you because it all hung on the cross, and not just every sin you have committed to date, but every willful choice against Him and His ways that you are yet to commit –

When you understand that kind of forgiveness – it sets you free from sin in the sense that it no longer inhibits your interaction with God and your ability to live in His love, and that realization catapults you into the amazing realm of His perfect, complete, encompassing, overwhelming love, joy, purpose, fulfillment, and promise of life that He has made in His Word!

Did you just get a revelation about His love and forgiveness?! Do you want more?!

The best place to start, is to talk about prayer:

What is prayer? How do we pray? How does prayer work?
And in terms of a venue for where we pray and how we pray--
What role does the Court of Heaven play?



WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO *PRAY*?

In the book of Mark, we read the account of Jesus feeding the multitude miraculously from what began as just a few loaves of bread and a couple of small fish. That accounts end with this statement:

Mark 6:46

*“when He had dismissed and released them [the people],
Jesus departed to the mountain to pray, to “proseuchomai”.*

In the Greek language this verse was originally written in, the word for pray is the word “*proseuchomai*”. What is “*proseuchomai* prayer”?

Proseuchomai in the Greek means:-

- Entering into God’s Holy Presence--
- But with an emphasis on the fact that:
 - **The important thing is to come into God’s Presence,**
 - **Only secondary is the content or requests – the what we say.**

**That means, when you pray,
You don’t have to get the words right!**

**The important part is not what you say,
The important part is simply that you come!**

There’s a deeper meaning as well – not only do we come BUT in coming:-

- We interact with God **by**
- Exchanging our human ideas, wishes and desires **for**
- His ideas, wishes and desires, **as**
- He imparts faith to us, and
- We accomplish difficult, stupendous, incredible things.

These “difficult, stupendous, incredible things” are exactly what James 5:16 references:

James 5:16

*The prayer of those in right standing with God,
has great power and produces wonderful results.*



So let me re-write the Mark 6:46 verse with the full meaning from the Greek:

*Jesus went to the mountain,
To enter the Holy Presence of God
Interacting with Him,
Exchanging human ideas and goals
For God's ideas and goals,
While God imparted faith,
The result being
The accomplishment of difficult, stupendous & incredible things!*

With that insight of what it means to pray and what happens when we do, let's continue to develop the idea of the Courts of Heaven, which will give you amazing tools for effective, power in prayer.

Ready? Let's go:

**The idea of interacting with God as a Judge, or
Of entering into the Courts of Heaven is not a new notion.**

**Both the Old Testament prophets and
The New Testament Apostles
Wrote from this concept.**

SCRIPTURAL BASIS & PRECEDENT FOR THE COURTS OF HEAVEN

We see it plainly throughout the Scriptures, including the following verses:

God as Judge

In the bible, there are many words used for God. There are words that describe His nature and words that describe His functions. Here the word used for "God" is the Greek word "theos", meaning "magistrate" or "divine judge."

James 4:12:-

There is only one Lawgiver and Judge, the one who is able to save and destroy.

Psalm 7:11

God is an honest and righteous judge.



In this next verse from Isaiah, the word for judge is the Hebrew word “shaphat”, which means: “one who decides controversies and renders judgment.” The word for “lawgiver” is the Hebrew word “chaqqaq”, which means: “one who issues decrees.”

Isaiah 33:22

*For the LORD (Jehovah) is our Judge, the LORD is our lawgiver,
The LORD is our king, and He will save us.*

The Courts of God

Psalm 82: 1

God stands up to open Heaven's court and pronounces judgment.

Hebrews 9:27

It is in store for people to die once, and after that is the court trial.

Thrones of God

These Old Testament verses use the Hebrew word “kicce”, which means both a royal throne and the tribunal seat of a judge.

Psalm 11:4

The LORD is in His holy temple; the LORD is on His heavenly throne.

1 Kings 22:19

I saw the LORD sitting on His throne, and all the host of heaven standing by Him on his right hand and on his left.

Isaiah 66:1

Heaven is my Throne, earth is my footstool

In the New Testament book of Hebrews, the word for “throne” is the Greek word “thronos”, meaning a royal chair of the king or the seat of authority of a judge.

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.



Satan as Prosecutor, Accuser and Adversary

In Revelation, the word “accuser” is the Greek word, “kategoreo”, which literally means “one who makes accusations before a judge”, and is therefore in context a legal accusation.

Revelation 12:10

The accuser of the brethren, who accuses them before our God, day and night, Has been cast down.

The word “adversary” here in this New Testament verse is the Greek word “antidikos” and means an opponent in a court of law.

1 Peter 5:8

your adversary, the devil

Jesus as Mediator/Arbitrator

In this letter from Paul to Timothy, the word “Mediator” is the same as Arbitrator, from the Greek word “mesites”, which means: “someone who intervenes between two or more parties to restore peace or ratify a contract/covenant.”

Jesus works as the one who goes before God, on our behalf, in order to restore our peace with God and to ratify the covenant God has made with us, His people.

1 Timothy 2:5

There is one Mediator between God and man – Jesus Christ.

Jesus as Advocate/Lawyer

The word, “Advocate” here in this letter from John is from the Greek - “parakletos”, which means the comforter, and the one who pleads the case of another before a judge, or one who presents counsel for a legal defense.

This Greek word also means “an intercessor”, which shows us what we are really doing in intercessory prayer—we are taking the case of another before God the Judge, and pleading for the case on their behalf.

1 John 2:1

My little children, these things I write to you, so that you will not sin. But, if anyone does sin, we have an Advocate with the Father – Jesus Christ, the Righteous One.



Holy Spirit as Witness

The Greek word used in Romans and 1st John for “bears witness” is the Greek word “symmartyreō”, which is a word with legal connotation and means “to testify”.

Romans 8:14-17

All who are lead by the Spirit of God ... have received the spirit of adoption The spirit himself bears witness that we are sons of God

In 1st John, the word “martyreo” and “martyria” is used for “the record” and means the testimony given before a tribunal (court) judge.

1 John 5:7-8

Three witnesses that “bear record and testify” in heaven – Father, Word, Holy Ghost. Three witnesses that bear witness in the earth – the spirit, the water, the blood.

1 John 5:11

This is the record [the testimony before the Court]:- God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His son.

Believers come as Petitioners

In the Old Testament, the Hebrew word “she’elah” is translated to the English word petition, and means to make a request or a demand for something, and is most often used in terms of the requests we make to a Judge. We see this when you go to court in the earthly courts, and you file a “Petition”. We see it used here:-

1 Samuel 1:17

Then Eli answered and said, Go in peace: and the God of Israel grant thee thy petition that thou hast asked of him.

Also translated as “supplication”, the Greek word “deesis” is best translated as petition, which is the act of bringing a request or demand before a Judge.

Philipians 4:6

In everything by prayer and supplication make your requests known to God.

Ephesians 6:18

With all prayer and petition, pray at all times in the Spirit.

1 Timothy 2:1

I urge that entreaties and prayers, petitions and thanksgivings, be made on behalf of all men.



These are all words describing the act of prayer. When we pray, we intercede, we bring petitions and supplications. In the dictionary, the word “intercession” is defined as: “to entreat the favor of another--especially in prayer, or to make a petition specifically to God on behalf of another. It also means “to mediate a dispute”, which is a legal process.

So this is what we need to understand:-

When we pray—
Specifically when we intercede—

**We are engaging in
The Legal Presentation of a
Case Before God.**

GOING INTO THE COURTS OF HEAVEN

As you can see, there is no need to get over-complicated in your mind about “how do I go into the courts” – it’s very simply your prayers, your intercession, **your conversations with God**.

In the same way that we come into God’s Presence when we pray or when we worship – you come into His courts.

Remember one of the first verses I read about the throne –

Hebrews 4:16

Let us therefore come boldly unto the Throne of Grace...

This “throne” is the Greek “thronos” meaning both a kingly throne but also a judicial seat of authority, that of a Judge. Historically, kings fulfilled both roles, the kingly royal role and the judicial judge role.

What is also important in this verse is how we come before that Throne.

This Hebrews 4:16 verse specifically tells to not only come unto the Throne of Grace, but also to come “boldly” and that “boldly” word in the Greek is “parresia” which is a power-packed word.



COMING BOLDLY

We see “parresia” in Ephesians:-

Ephesians 3:12 in the **King James Version** reads:

In whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him.

This same verse in the **New International Version** reads:

In him and through faith in him we may approach God with freedom and confidence.

Both of these versions translate the Greek word “parresia” as: boldly, or freedom, or with confidence. But this word has even more depth, as the following explains¹

Parresia

Parresia was both the freedom to speak one’s mind, and a privilege conferred on the first citizens of ancient Athens. *Parresia* constitutes pure frankness in speaking, even to the extent of ignorant outspokenness.

In speaking *parresia*, the person may say everything on their mind: Such a person does not hide anything but opens their heart and mind completely to other people through their speech.

While there may inherently be a risk for such outspokenness, the speaker is to speak their mind *without fear of retribution*.

Therefore, *parresia* also implies that if one cannot speak in *parresia*, meaning that they do not have the right of free, frank, bold speech, then that person, in that situation, is a slave because they lack true and complete freedom. This is why *parresia* was so important to the ancient Athenians—this right confirmed their citizenship and was a privilege granted to them above non-citizens and separated them from slaves, who had no such right.

¹ Dr. A. Nyland, The Source, Acts 4:29, page 212



What all this means is that the kings required their advisors and members of their court, to speak to them openly, boldly, frankly, and without fear of retribution *because* the demand and necessity for truth outweighed any offense that may come with the truth.

That bears repeating:

**The demand and necessity for truth
Outweigh any offense that may come with the truth.**

The same is true with God, as this verses' use of the word "parresia" shows us:- God cannot be offended by anything that we have to say.

Even when we are angry, any offense that could come with the truth of our heart is of far less importance to Him than with the ability for us to enter into open, frank conversation, without fear of retribution.

This is important for Believers because the Word tells us that we are to approach God's Throne speaking *parresia*.

Given that the "throne" refers to both His royal and His judicial / legal seat of power and authority, we know that we can boldly come before Him in His Heavenly Courts.

**We are told by the Apostle Paul in
Hebrews 4:16 and Ephesians 3:12**

- To approach God as Judge in the Heavenly Court, and

**- To speak with the Right of Freedom of Speech:-
frankly, boldly, and without fear of punishment.**



IMAGINATION – YOUR ABILITY TO “SEE” IN THE SPIRIT

But, *how* do you enter the courts?

The answer is actually quite simple: just picture it in your mind – imagine it, as you pray to Him, as you speak with Him.

Do you realize that your imagination is not a carnal or pretend thing?

Your “imagination” or your “mind’s eye” Is the place where you see and enter into the spirit realm?

This is why Satan has purposed to defile our imaginations and to taint our understanding of our imagination and the ability to see in the spirit realm. Do not allow New Age or Occultic teachings about the third-eye and the mind’s eye to confuse you or to prevent you from using your imagination, your “mind’s eye”, or your ability to “see” in the spirit.

The truth is that our imagination, our ability to see in the spirit (which some refer to as the mind’s eye), is a pure gift from the Lord and is not an operation of darkness. The enemy has sought to counterfeit and to co-opt this ability. But we can redeem it with truth and take back that which the Lord intended for our use, ability, benefit and advantage.

Like other aspects of ourselves, to the extent that our imagination has been polluted by sin, it needs to be cleaned out – which we do with repentance and the washing of the word.

1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Psalms 51:10

Create in me a clean heart, O God.

The word for “heart” is the Hebrew word “leb” meaning the mind, the understanding, the thinking of the inner man. This means we could re-write this Psalm 51:10 verse like this:

Create in me a clean mind and a pure imagination.

We also see the “imagination” in:-

Genesis 6:5

God saw that the wickedness of man was great and that every imagination of the thoughts of the heart was only evil continually.



And this word “imagination” is the Hebrew word “yester” which means our framework, our meditation and thoughts.

We see this “yester” in these verses:-

Psalm 103:14

For He knoweth our frame [our yester, our meditation, thoughts and imaginations] and remembers we are dust.

Isaiah 26:3

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind, [whose framework, meditation, thoughts,] is stayed on Thee.

In fact, you could write this Isaiah 26:3 verse this way and be more accurately on point:-

***Those who keep their imagination on You, o Lord,
You will keep them in perfect peace!***

Where our imagination is polluted, we clean it with repentance and by re-framing it with the truth and purity of the Word. Ephesians 5:26 tells us that we are washed and made holy with the washing of the Word.

So as you continue to listen, don't get stuck on “how do I enter the heavenly courts”? Just remember this:-

**Your imagination is a gift to you from the Lord
As the place or the way in which you can “see” in the spirit.**

When we are in praise and worship, we understand that each of us sees and experiences different things, we even experience similar throne room experiences but in different ways. Similarly, you can see the court -room differently than someone else and yet it is still a real and valid experience!

**Enter His Courts the same way you enter
His presence in prayer or in worship:-**

See Him before you in your mind. Imagine it - simple!



WHY A HEAVENLY COURT PROCESS IS NECESSARY

Before we talk more about entering Heavenly Courts, let's address a very basic question – why is a Heavenly Court case even necessary?

It is important to know that there are parallels between the procedures and protocols of earth's courts and heavenly courts. Most of what we have in the natural is established in order to mirror something in the spirit – to give us a context for understanding. For example, the principle of marriage in the natural is given to reflect the nature of the intimate relationship we can have with the Lord.

The Apostle Paul said it plainly here:-

Ephesians 5:31-32

31 As the Scriptures say, "A man leaves his father and mother, and is joined to his wife, and the two are united into one. 32 This is a great mystery, but it is an illustration of the way Christ and the church are one.

Similarly, there are other principles in the natural that reflect Kingdom truths.

**Earthly Court Cases reflect
Processes and Procedures and Principles
That the Kingdom of Heaven is similarly established upon.**

Here are 3 Reasons why a Heavenly Court Process is necessary:-

1. The Courts are where we take ownership of the Promises.
2. The Courts orders that it is illegal to take matters into our own hands.
3. The Courts provides a Venue to Punish the Enemy.

Let's begin with the first reason:-

1. A Court Process is necessary because it is how we take ownership.

*Do you realize that the promises of God that are in the Word,
Must be "activated" by you in order for them to manifest in your life?*

The promises in God's Word are "opportunities" that you need to avail yourself of, you need to do something in order to get the benefit and advantage of them.

They are promises or gifts – like gifts under the Christmas Tree. A gift under the tree may have your name on the tag, but until you take it and unwrap it and use it, you haven't "availed yourself" of the gift. It may be yours, but you are not getting the benefit or use of it until you take it, unwrap it and use it!



**There is a common misconception that
“The promises in the Word should “just be” in my life because I’m a Christian.”**

**But that’s not how the most important gift works,
So it follows that it is not how the other promises work.**

**The most important gift is the gift of salvation,
Which requires us to do something in order to receive it and benefit from it.**

While it is true that Jesus died for everyone, not everyone is saved UNLESS they ‘avail themselves’ of the gift, they must take it as their own.

Let me put it this way, if salvation did not require us to do something to “activate it” in order to “benefit from it” or “enter into it”, then, because of Jesus death, everyone, everywhere, at all times throughout history and the future, would automatically be saved because the “opportunity of salvation” the “gift of salvation” the “promise of salvation” is there.

But we know that is NOT true!

There are conditions that must be met in order for us to benefit from the promise, these conditions must be met before we can actually be saved. Those conditions are found in Romans 10:9:-

***IF** you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord, **AND**
Believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead,
THEN you shall be saved.*

Only ‘knowing’ about salvation is like seeing a Christmas present under the Tree and seeing your name on the tag. But “believing and confessing” is like unwrapping the present and taking it out to enjoy using it. There is no benefit from the gift if it is not opened.

**This model for the greatest gift from God
Is the model for His other promises as well.**

**Even if we know of a promise,
We are still required to do something to accept it--to “activate” it.**



Another way of saying it is, in order to “profit” from an opportunity, you have to engage with it more than simply “hearing about it.” You can hear about a work or job opportunity, but until you engage with it, say yes to it, actually get involved with it, show up for it, you don’t get any profit, benefit or advantage. You just hear about a job.

You have to go to the person advertising the opportunity and say “I would like to take advantage of this opportunity – I want this job, this ... whatever it is.” Then, depending on whether you meet the qualifications, you can get that job, you can take advantage and benefit from the opportunity.

With salvation, when you show up and say “hey, I want that” and you follow the requirements of the advertisement, “confess with your mouth and believe in your heart”, then you get it! The good news is, those are the only qualifications!

**If this is true of the most important promise and gift from The Lord,
How much more so is it true for all the other promises?
You have to show up, confess with you mouth –
speak out your agreement - and believe in your heart that it is true.**

By way of example, Hebrews 11:6 emphasizes the need for belief:

*In order to draw near to God, you must **believe**:-*
- *that God exists, and*
- *that He rewards those who seek Him.*

As a lawyer, I would say that activating a promise in the spirit is equivalent in the natural law to taking title and possession to the gift.

For example, if I left you my house as a gift of inheritance in my Will, you would have to go to court to have that gift confirmed and to have the title transfer made legal and official.

There are so many promises and gifts in the Word that we have not taken title to and that’s at least one reason why they are not manifest realities in our lives.

The Good News is that the promises and gifts in the Scriptures, like healing, peace, unity, security and safety, etc., which are not evident in our life, can become ours.



Take a moment to think of the promises that are not your reality yet. Is there a health promise that you are not walking in? Is there a peace and family unity promise that is not your reality? Is there a personal prophetic word that you know is from the Lord, that has not yet manifest in your life?

This teaching will show you:-

- How to go to Court, and**
- How to take Title to Your Promises, and**
- How to receive a Judgment in your favor!**

In the same way that I said earlier not to get confused in your mind about “how to enter the courts”, I also want to encourage you not to get nervous or confused about actually doing it.

There are people who know about operating in the Courts of Heaven, but they are too nervous, too afraid to go. They’re worried that they don’t know what they are doing or that they will do something wrong and either not accomplish what they are meant do, or that they will somehow make it worse. Perhaps that’s you...

Let me put your mind at ease and tell you a funny story – that actually happened to me in a court case as an attorney:-

This is the story of my very first court appearance as a lawyer.

It was at a very small court in Rancho Cucamonga in California. I had my husband drive me because I was sure I would get lost and miss my hearing because I was so nervous.

*Now, listen, I had never appeared in Court before and I did not even know what I was allowed to say to the Judge, so here’s what I did – I told my client “**if you want to ask the Judge about anything, just go ahead and ask him.**” !!!*

And guess what, they did!

And when my client just started talking to the Judge, I kind of faked this look on my face and rolled my eyes like, “I’m so sorry Your Honor, my client has no idea that they shouldn’t just be asking like this.”

I totally threw them under the bus!!



*But guess what I learned--you're allowed to ask the Judge questions!! He was totally cool, a very nice Judge, and he listened intently and kindly and answered them without legal-terminology but in very plain terms – and not only that – **he granted us our Petition!***

This was one of those moments where Holy Spirit whispered to me:-

***“This kind Judge is what I am like. Ask me anything.
I’m here to listen to you and to answer you, and
I will give you what you are asking for.”***

Isn't that amazing! God is waiting for us to ask so that He can give us what we are asking for.

In fact,

1 John 5:14-15 says it this way:-

This is the confidence that we have in God

That if we ask anything according to His Will, He will hear us,

And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask

We know that we have the petitions we have desired.

And then here is one of my favorite verses:-

John 16:23-24

In that day [when we are with Him face-to-face]

You will ask of me nothing,

because you will be with the Father and your joy will be full,

but for now, ask of me whatever you will

so that your Father who is in Heaven may give it to you,

so that your joy may be full.

We get to ask – according to His Will – whatever we want – so that He can give it to us – so that our joy will be full!!



PRAYING “ACCORDING TO GOD’S WILL” – WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?

We see an example of praying according to God’s Will with King David at Ziklag. In this account we see where King David and his men have returned from battle only to find their city plundered and the women and children have been kidnapped. In the moment, it would seem obvious that the first thing to do would be to go and rescue the women and children. But David didn’t make any assumptions!

Read it here:-

1 Samuel 30

Now when David and his men came home to Ziklag on the third day, they found that the Amalekites had made a raid and had taken the women and all who were there, both great and small, captive.⁵ David’s two wives also had been taken captive. They killed no one, but carried them off.

Then David and the men with him lifted up their voices and wept until they had no more strength to weep.

⁶ David was greatly distressed, for the men spoke of stoning him because the souls of them all were bitterly grieved, each man for his sons and daughters. But David encouraged and strengthened himself in the Lord his God.

*⁸ And David inquired of the Lord, saying, **Shall I pursue this troop? Shall I overtake them?** The Lord answered him, *Pursue, for you shall surely overtake them and without fail recover all. ...**

¹⁷ And David smote them from twilight even to the evening of the next day, and not a man of them escaped, except 400 youths who rode camels and fled.

¹⁸ David recovered all that the Amalekites had taken and rescued his two wives.

¹⁹ Nothing was missing, small or great, sons or daughters, spoil or anything that had been taken; David recovered all.

*²⁰ Also David captured all the flocks and herds [which the enemy had], and the people drove those animals before him and said, *This is David’s spoil.**

This is the important point that cannot be over-stated: even though it seemed obvious that the first thing David should do, was go and rescue the women and children, including his own wives and children, David first inquired of the Lord.

Only in inquiring of the Lord do we come to know His intention.



**Making a decision based on the circumstances alone, invokes our soul's response.
Inquiring of the Lord, invokes His response.**

We have become too accustomed to praying what we want or what we perceive is the need, when in fact, EVEN WHEN THE CIRCUMSTANCES LOOK OBVIOUS, we must stop and ask the Lord what it is that He is doing.

When the Lord tells us what He is doing, He will also show us how to pray, and most importantly, He will give us the winning strategy.

This is especially important when praying in the Courts of Heaven:

**In the Courts of Heaven,
You do not decree your own opinion of the circumstances,
You do not decree your own wants or wishes,**

You go to the Courts to receive, to activate and to establish God's Purposes.

I want you to be aware of this important strategy because the Lord wants you to come to the Courts, He wants to release to you the fullness of His Promises, but we have to be agreeing with and praying according to His Will.

This is true in the natural as well. Lawyers cannot litigate a client's wishes, they can only present a case according to what the law provides.

UNDERSTANDING THE COURTS OF HEAVEN

Before we go into the Court, which we will do at the end of this teaching, the following will build the framework for your understanding of what you are doing.

This is exactly what I would do with clients. Before I would go into Court with a client, I would explain what the procedure is, what the purpose is, what the end goal or result will be, and what they should expect in the process.

Remember, the question we are asking first is:-

WHY IS A COURT PROCESS NECESSARY?

One reason a court procedure is necessary is because it is how we take title to a gift. Remember I gave the example of gifting you a house in my Will, and you would have to go to Court for the title to be transferred properly.



2. ***It is illegal to take matters into our own hands.***

Another reason we go to Court is because it is illegal to take spiritual matters into our own hands.

In the earth realm, “self-help” is illegal. You know this already--if someone shoots a family member, no matter how much you want to, you’re not allowed to go and shoot them back, not even just to wound them. If you do, what happens to both of you? You both have to go to court and probably both go to jail.

If someone steals from you, are you aware that you can’t just go and take it back?

If someone steals from you, you take them to court, you do not just go to take back what belongs to you. Part of the reason for this is for your protection because the situation will likely escalate and violence often ensues.

My Client and the Tenant – Gunshots fired

In fact, this happened with one of my clients.

He inherited a house, and the title had been legally confirmed and transferred into his name by the court, but a tenant would not leave. The tenant happened to be his nephew, which complicated the matter, but my client went to personally remove his nephew and his nephew’s stuff from the house – you can imagine in your own minds that this was not a situation that would likely end well ... and in fact, gun shots were fired.

While no-one was hurt, the police were called, and even though my client was the rightful, legal title owner, both my client and his nephew were removed from the property by the police.

This is one reason why taking matters into your hands is not permitted, **it is for your own safety.**

The same is true in the spiritual realm. You cannot take matters into your own hands in a face-to-face confrontation with the enemy because your safety is at risk.

The Scriptures explain it this way:-

John 10:10

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy;

Ephesians 6:12 confirms:-

For we are not fighting against flesh-and-blood enemies, but against evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against mighty powers in this dark world, and against evil spirits in the heavenly places.



PRAYING “IN JESUS’ NAME” – WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?

Our authority over the enemy is in Jesus Name, but that phrase “in Jesus Name” refers less to us actually saying the words “in Jesus Name” at the end of a prayer, but refers more specifically to **the authority that His Name represents and confers to us.**

When we go to Heaven’s Courts, the Judge confirms our authority and issues Orders and Decrees against the enemy, requiring the enemy to comply with the Judge’s instruction. **It has less to do with us and much more to do with the Judge’s authority over the enemy, which authority He confirms to us.**

Said another way, a Court appearance also :-

***-Provides the opportunity for an Authority higher than yourself**
To confirm to you – and to the rest of the world - what is yours.*

The rest of the World recognizes your authority:

When you go to court on an inheritance matter to transfer title to the heir, the Court confirms what the Will says, but more importantly, the Court confirms it so the rest of the world will deal with you in your new capacity as owner.

When you inherit title, you not only have the new property as your own, you also have a new position and a new authority to go with it.

This is a spiritual principle we see in Scripture, and specifically in the language and words King David chose when he wrote.

We see it specifically in this verse:

Psalm 37:4
*Delight yourself in the Lord and
He will **give** you the desires of your heart.*

This word for “give” in the Hebrew is the word “Nathan”, which means not only to give in the sense of causing someone to receive but also it has the sense that what is given, cannot be refused or returned.

Even more importantly, “nathan” confirms that a new title and new authority are a part of the gift given, not only is the gift received, but there is new authority that is part of the gift.



A great example of what this word “nathan” means, is seen when a woman becomes a mother.

A woman receives the gift of the baby, but not only does she now have a child (the gift), but she also has a new title and authority directly tied to the gift—she is now a Mother.

That title and authority as the Mother forever changes who the woman is, and more importantly, that title and authority can never be taken from her.

So in a court of law, when the Judge issues an Order confirming your ownership of the property, the title companies, and the insurance agents, and the utilities company, everyone involved with that property, are now required by Judge’s Order to acknowledge you as the new owner and to recognize and respect your new authority.

Similarly in the Heavenly Courts, when we go before God as Judge, he confirms our authority in Christ, and then issues spiritual decrees and orders that require His angels to serve us in this new capacity, and those same orders and decrees require the forces of darkness to comply with the authority we are granted by the Court of Heaven.

When a judgment is granted in our favor, from the Judge in the Heavenly Courts, even our adversary, those Ephesians 6:12 “*evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, the mighty powers in this dark world, and evil spirits in the heavenly places*” must comply.

That is the benefit of going to the Courts of Heaven and having an authority higher than yourself, that is God as the Heavenly Judge, confirm your authority!

And it is not only the forces of darkness, the Lord has commissioned His angels to serve you also.

We see this in Hebrews 1:14 (International Standard Version)

*All angels are on a divine mission,
Sent to serve those who inherit salvation.*

It is an amazing thing to have power and authority over the realm of darkness, but it is not a thing to be taken lightly, nor is it really the proper focus. Jesus taught it this way:-

Luke 10:20
*But don't rejoice because evil spirits obey you;
rejoice because your names are registered in heaven.”*



WHY IS A COURT PROCEDURE NECESSARY?

Continuing under this section, we come to the third aspect:-

3. A Court procedure provides a Venue to Punish the Perpetrator.

It may seem like a hassle, having to go to court. But the legal process serves an important purpose. The same is true in the spirit realm.

We see this principle in:-

Proverbs 6:31

But if the thief is caught, he must pay back seven times what he stole, even if he has to sell everything in his house.

A heavenly court procedure will impose this sentence on our enemy.

In the same way that we cannot take earthly legal matters into our own hands, the same is true in our spiritual walk, we are not to take spiritual matters into our own hands.

1 Thess 5:15

Make sure that no-one pays back wrong for wrong.

Romans 12:19

Dear friends, never take revenge. Leave that to the righteous anger of God. For the Scriptures say, "I will take revenge; I will pay them back," says the LORD

Going to Court puts the responsibility of who charges the enemy in the right hands – in God's. When God does this, He is the one responsible to see that His word is followed. We are responsible to allow God to do it.

GOING TO THE COURTS IS PURPOSED:-

- TO ALLOW GOD TO ORDER YOUR LIFE, AND**
- TO RELEASE YOU INTO YOUR DIVINE DESTINY.**



HOW, THEN, DO WE:

-STEP INTO THE FULLNESS OF THE PROMISES -AND INTO OUR DESTINY?

In the arena of personal growth, life coaching and motivational speaking, there is a focus on self-promotion. So much of life and business coaching is about motivating you to show up and to take control and to position yourself in your destiny.

But you need to know that it is NOT up to you to take the matters of your own destiny into your own hands.

At the end of this teaching, you will go up into the Heavenly Courts to activate your destiny by following the Scriptural principles of “confessing with your mouth and believing in your heart”, but it is strategic and important that you fully grasp that it is not up to you to promote yourself in the earthly realm into the place God has shown you.

Even stepping into your destiny is a holy gift from the Lord.

A very powerful place we see it, is in relation to King David’s destiny. King David’s inheritance was his destiny to be King, and yet David never took his own destiny into his own hands.

Even though he had already been anointed by the Priest to be King, David relied on God to promote him at the right time. He understood it was not up to himself to put himself on the throne of his destiny. Read it here:-

1 Samuel 24 : David Did Not Kill Saul

When Saul returned from following the Philistines, he was told, “See, David is in the desert of Engedi.”² Then Saul took 3,000 chosen men from all Israel, and went to find David and his men in front of the Rocks of the Wild Goats.³ He came to the places where the sheep were kept on the way. There was a cave there, and Saul went in to get rid of his body waste. Now David and his men were sitting farther back in the cave.⁴ David’s men said to David, “See, this is the day the Lord told you, ‘See, I am about to give the one who hates you into your hand. You will do to him what you think is best.’” Then David got up and cut off a piece of Saul’s clothing in secret.⁵ After this, David felt guilty in his heart because he had cut off a piece of Saul’s clothing.

⁶So he said to his men, “May the Lord not let me put out my hand against my leader, for he is the Lord’s chosen one.”⁷ David stopped his men with these words. He did not let them go against Saul. So Saul stood up and left the cave, and went on his way.



⁸ After this David got up and went out of the cave and called to Saul, saying, “My lord the king!” When Saul looked behind him, David put his face to the ground, showing much respect. ⁹ David said to Saul, “Why do you listen to the words of men who say, ‘David wants to hurt you’?” ¹⁰ See, your eyes have seen how the Lord gave you to me today in the cave. Some told me to kill you, but I had pity on you. I said, ‘I will not put out my hand against my leader, for he is the Lord’s chosen one.’ ¹¹ Now, my father, see the piece of your clothing in my hand. I cut off the piece of your clothing but did not kill you. So know and understand that I have no desire to do wrong to you. I have not sinned against you, yet you come wanting to kill me. ¹² **May the Lord judge between you and me. May He punish you for your action against me. But my hand will not be against you.** ¹³ As the men of long ago said in their wisdom, ‘Out of the sinful comes sin,’ but my hand will not be against you. ¹⁴ After whom has the king come out? After whom are you running? After a dead dog? After a little bug? ¹⁵ **May the Lord be the One to judge between you and me.** May He see and help me, and save me from you.”

¹⁶ When David had finished speaking to Saul, Saul said, “Is this your voice, my son David?” Then Saul gave a loud cry. ¹⁷ He said to David, “You are more right and good than I. For you have brought good to me, while I have done wrong to you. ¹⁸ You have said today that you have done good to me. **The Lord gave me to you and you did not kill me.** ¹⁹ If a man finds the one who hates him, will he let him go away safe? **May the Lord bring good to you for what you have done for me this day.** ²⁰ **Now I know that you will be king for sure.** The nation of Israel will be made strong under your power. ²¹ So promise to me by the Lord that you will not destroy my children after me. Promise that you will not destroy my name from my father’s family.” ²² David gave Saul his promise, and Saul went home. But David and his men went up to the safe place.

In the same way that King David’s destiny was not in his own hands,

**Your destiny, your promises, your promotion into your inheritance
Comes from only one place – the Lord.**



This principle is re-iterated here:

Psalm 75:6-7 says,

*Promotion does not come from the east or the west or the south.
But **God is the Judge**: he puts one down and raises up another.*

**So, in the same way that earthly court cases
prevent you from taking matters into your own hands,**

**Spiritual or Heavenly Courts provide a forum
for you to safely receive that which rightfully belongs to you,
at the right time, and under the correct circumstances.**



CRIMINAL AND CIVIL COURTS

There are two types of courts in the earthly legal system, Criminal Courts and Civil Courts.

Criminal Courts

There are some important correlations from earthly criminal courts that will help you understand protocols in the Courts of Heaven.

**Criminal courts are where there is a
Prosecutor accusing someone of breaking a law.**

There is a spiritual equivalent that we see in the Rev 12:10, which describes Satan as the accuser of the brethren, accusing them day and night before God the judge. He accuses them as a Prosecutor, our Adversary, in the heavenly criminal court. There, the answer to the accusations of the enemy is the blood of Jesus.

You can identify what accusations may be held against you in the Heavenly Courts by identifying what prayers remain unanswered. If you are praying for healing or for success in business or for unity in a family situation, (whatever the case may be), but those situations remain unchanged or are worsening, it may be because the enemy has a legal case against you – which is simply another way of saying that the enemy has access to hinder or prevent an answer to prayer.

Here are 3 protocols you should follow to address a case against you in the Heavenly Criminal Courts:-

Protocol #1: Stipulate to the Facts :- Don't dispute the fact of your sin.

You've seen the crime dramas where the Prosecution is relating the facts to the court and the jury, with a lot of insinuation and emotive language intended to bias the jury against the defendant and to portray the defendant in the worst light possible.

This is the enemy's same ploy – to shame you.

In earthly criminal courts, one way you can avoid this public shaming is to simply agree to all the facts. In legal-eze it's called "stipulating to the facts". This way, the facts are either submitted in writing, or the Court Clerk reads them matter-of-factly in a bullet-point version of the charges, either way, the Prosecutor has lost the ability to shame the defendant through a dramatic recounting of the facts.



In Heavenly criminal courts we never dispute the fact of our sin. We are all guilty of all the law. None are innocent.

In fact, Matthew 5:25 – encourages us to agree quickly
Agree with your adversary quickly, whiles you are on the way with him; lest at any time the adversary deliver you to the judge, and the judge deliver you to the officer, and you end up in prison.

There are two primary ways that the enemy has a legal right to hinder or prevent an answer to your prayer, or to hinder or prevent your promotion into the fullness of the promises and your destiny:-

Both those ways are through sin--either blood-line sin or personal sin.

Bloodline Sin

If the enemy is accusing you of something, but you don't think you did it, it may be a bloodline issue where someone in your bloodline committed the sin, and that prior sin by someone else in your bloodline gave the enemy legal access and legal right to accuse.

Numbers 14:18

'The LORD is slow to anger and filled with unfailing love, forgiving every kind of sin and rebellion. But he does not excuse the guilty. He lays the sins of the parents upon their children; the entire family is affected—even children in the third and fourth generations.

Personal Sin – Guilty of One = Guilty of All

Moreover, even if **you** haven't committed a specific sin, the fact that you have sin in another area opens you up to condemnation of it all.

Romans 3:23

For all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God.

James 2:10

Whoever keeps the whole law, but stumbles on just one point, Becomes guilty of the whole law, he is deemed to breaking all the laws.

When you feel the enemy is condemning you or shaming you about your behavior or thoughts or sin – don't argue with the fact of whether or not you did or did not do it. Stipulate to the fact of your sin based on the truth that you are guilty of the whole law and those who sinned in your bloodline before have opened up the legal right for the enemy's accusations.



By stipulating to the fact of your sin,
You rob the enemy of his shaming tactics.
Simply agree with the Word, stipulating to the fact
“All are guilty for all have sinned”

Protocol #2: Do not try to justify yourself or your actions.

There is no excuse or justification that can remove your guilt. There are no circumstances that excuse sin. None.

In Heaven’s Criminal Court, the Blood Court, there is no childish excuse like “she hit me first” or “I didn’t know.” Even in earthly courts, there is a presumptive, legally binding principle that ignorance is no excuse.

In Heaven’s Blood Courts, the only way to be justified is Jesus.

Romans 3:23

*For all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God,
But are justified freely by His grace through the redemption
that is in Christ Jesus.*

Romans 5:9

We are justified by the blood...

We often do want to justify our actions, but there is no excuse for sin. Fortunately however, there is a remedy, a relief, an escape, which is the Blood of Christ.

Protocol #3: Don’t answer the accuser directly.

You’ve probably watched enough crime dramas on television to know that the Prosecutor and Defense answer each other’s claims by addressing the Judge. They each take turns stating their case directly to the Judge. If they begin to argue amongst each other, the Judge bangs the gavel and threatens the Attorneys with Contempt of Court.

When the enemy makes an accusation – address your response to the Judge.

Don’t get into an argument with the enemy.



Respond with Scripture – not your own excuses or opinions:

Your excuses or opinions of how a situation should be viewed have no sway in Heavenly Courts.

Something we should be very mindful of is the fact that not even Jesus tried to deal with accusation from the enemy with anything other than Scripture. In the account of Satan Testing Jesus in the Desert we see how Jesus responded to Satan--**Jesus only ever answered with Scripture.** We should do the same.

Read it here:-

Matthew 4: The Temptation of Jesus

4 Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted there by the devil. ² For forty days and forty nights he fasted and became very hungry.

³ During that time the devil^[a] came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become loaves of bread.”

⁴ But Jesus told him, “No! The Scriptures say,

‘People do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.’^[b]”

⁵ Then the devil took him to the holy city, Jerusalem, to the highest point of the Temple, ⁶ and said, “If you are the Son of God, jump off!

[Watch the enemy uses the same tactic:] For the Scriptures say,

‘He will order his angels to protect you. And they will hold you up with their hands so you won’t even hurt your foot on a stone.’^[c]”

⁷ BUT Jesus responded, “The Scriptures also say, ‘You must not test the LORD your God.’^[d]”

⁸ Next the devil took him to the peak of a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. ⁹ “I will give it all to you,” he said, “if you will kneel down and worship me.”

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¹⁰ ***“Get out of here, Satan,” Jesus told him. “For the Scriptures say,***

*‘You must worship the LORD your God
and serve only him.’^[e]”*

¹¹ ***Then the devil went away, and angels came and took care of Jesus.***

That last verse is a powerful verse: “*then the devil went away.*” We need to remember this!

James 4:7 (AMPC) tells us:

Obey and subject control to God.

Resist the devil (stand firm against him) and he will flee from you!

Respond with Repentance – Repentance erases the record!

When the Judge asks you how you plead in response to the accusations brought by the enemy, **“Repent and Plead the Blood.”**

Romans 5:9

*We have been made right in God’s sight by the blood of Christ,
He will certainly save us from God’s condemnation*

Ephesians 1:7

God purchased our freedom with the blood of his Son and forgave our sins

The Blood Expunges the Record

The legal term “expunge” means the process of sealing arrest and conviction records. In the Blood of Jesus, our criminal-sin records are expunged, they are sealed away so that no-one can have access to them or knowledge of them.

But that’s not all!

There’s even more than just our sins being sealed, being held in private, in the Blood:-

**According to Romans 4: and Matthew 26:28,
Our sin is deemed inadmissible as evidence against us, and
We are pardoned from all sin, such that it is
Deemed to have never happened!**



The Apostle Paul wrote about it this way:-

Romans 4:8

Blessed is the man whose sin God does not take into the record.

That means, God does not even receive or admit into evidence any proof or record of our sin.

Matt 26:28

This is my blood, of the new covenant, which is shed for the remission of sin.

This word “remission” means pardon and pardon means, “to be “let off the hook” because **we are freed as if it had never been committed!**

**When we repent, our sins are sealed in the blood –
They are deemed by God to have never even been committed!**

At the end of a session in the Courts of Heaven, when you are finishing your Prayer of Petition in the Heavenly Blood Courts, you ask the Judge to render His Decree, His Order in your favor, at which time it is great to remind the Judge of His Own Word:-

Romans 8:33-39

Who can bring an accusation against God's chosen people?

God is The One who brings acquittal!

Who can pass sentence against God's chosen?

It is the Anointed One, Jesus, who died, was raised up and who is at God's right side, Who also intercedes – brings His own Petitions – on our behalf!

NOTE: This is not a verse to wave in the face of the accuser. Remember, we do not address our accuser directly in the Court, nor do we flaunt the benefit and advantage we have. It is a much greater thing to have our names written in Heaven, it is a much greater thing to be saved than to have authority over the accuser.

Luke 10:19-20

[Jesus said to them] See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy. Nothing will harm you.

Nevertheless, do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.



THE REAL PURPOSE OF HEAVEN'S COURT OF REDEMPTION:

Before go into the Courts of Heaven, **I want to have a separate conversation for a moment.**

-I want to reiterate that going into the Courts of Heaven is a tool. I have other teachings about Decrees and how they work and how they work to manifest the promises of God in your life. This teaching is similar, it is purposed to give you a tool of how to enter into God's ways so that His promises can be released in your life.

But, how many of you have gone to a conference or heard of a new speaker or a new spiritual principle and thought "This is the answer I've been looking for, when I hear this everything in my life will change, this is the key to the breakthrough I've been waiting for, so you come full of expectancy, only to find yourself in the following weeks, months and years in the same place, but now with deeper disappointment, greater disillusionment, and thinking that it's your fault or somehow you don't get it, that it works for others but not for you, that other's are getting their blessings and their breakthrough – or so it seems

I want to cut the cords of that right now. I don't want you to set yourself up for something that will miss the mark. Any teaching on the Courts of Heaven, or whatever other new spiritual idea is being taught – is not the key to your breakthrough.

Yeshua alone is the key to your breakthrough.

**Yes, these principles will empower you, strengthen you,
Set you in a place with new authority, and
Bring breakthrough and revelation in understanding –**

But they are all meant to point you deeper into Christ.

All revelation is purposed to bring you into INTIMACY.



Do you hear what I'm saying? Let me explain it this way.

If a Defendant goes to Court and is found by the Judge “not guilty” and he is set free – he has indeed been set free. BUT how he lives and continues to abide by the rules and principles of society will determine whether or not that freedom serves him. If he goes back to drugs, to robbery, to abuse, -- then his freedom, which is real, has not served him, and in fact he will likely become incarcerated again down the road.

What you gain from any new teaching can provide you true freedom – but there are principles beyond any teaching that will determine whether you walk in that freedom, and it's not about obeying laws, but it is in fact very, very simple:--

**Whatever tool or revelation or teaching you receive that sets you free,
it's purpose is to set you free INTO HIM.**

**The purpose of this teaching is not so much about the Courts,
It is about INTIMACY with the Father.**

Whether we realize it or not, seeking a new tool or new revelation is actually us seeking a formula.

Anyone who is married understands that regardless of how many books you read or how many therapy sessions you go to, there is no “formula” for a good marriage BECAUSE a good marriage is relationship and intimacy. Intimacy is the way to relationship, and relationship is the way to intimacy.

Now, the difficult thing about that is this--it is easier to teach the principles of the Courts of Heaven, (or whatever spiritual principal is being taught) than it is to teach intimacy. It is much easier to write about or preach formulas, you know, the *12 Steps of How To...* fill in the blank of whatever is the current topic or trending issue.

Yet INTIMACY should be the purpose of every teaching.



THE WISE VIRGINS AND THE OIL

Remember the parable of the 10 Virgins, the 5 Wise and the 5 Unwise. This parable is difficult to understand when you wonder why the 5 Wise Virgins wouldn't or couldn't share their oil.

Here is the story found in Matthew 25, as it reads in The Message (MSG) translation:-

Matthew 25: 1-13 The Story of the Virgins

25¹⁻⁵ "God's kingdom is like ten young virgins who took oil lamps and went out to greet the bridegroom. Five were silly and five were smart. The silly virgins took lamps, but no extra oil. The smart virgins took jars of oil to feed their lamps. The bridegroom didn't show up when they expected him, and they all fell asleep.

6 "In the middle of the night someone yelled out, 'He's here! The bride-groom's here! Go out and greet him!'

7-8 "The ten virgins got up and got their lamps ready. The silly virgins said to the smart ones, 'Our lamps are going out; lend us some of your oil.'

9 "They answered, 'There might not be enough to go around; go buy your own.'

10 "They did, but while they were out buying oil, the bridegroom arrived. When everyone who was there to greet him had gone into the wedding feast, the door was locked.

11 "Much later, the other virgins, the silly ones, showed up and knocked on the door, saying, 'Master, we're here. Let us in.'

12 "He answered, 'Do I know you? I don't think I know you.'

13 "So stay alert. You have no idea when he might arrive.

Why is it that the "smart/wise virgins" wouldn't or couldn't share their oil? And why was it that the "silly/unwise virgins" were locked out? Why is it that the Master didn't know them?

Because what the wise virgins had, actually cannot be shared, or imparted; it can only be cultivated, because it is **the Oil of His Presence, which is procured, acquired, gained, received or obtained only from Intimacy with Him.**

The oil comes from intimacy.



I cannot impart to you my intimacy with the Lord. What I can do though, is give you tools that will bring revelation to you about how to interact more with God, and in doing so, develop a hunger and a thirst for Him, such that you will desire more of Him. But the actual intimacy part is up to you and Jesus and your time together.

INTIMACY IS ALWAYS THE POINT

In pursuing destiny and manifestation of promises and prophetic words, many people get focused on “the what” they are getting. They want the thing that they desire. And while the desires of our heart, when properly aligned with God’s heart are wonderful things, they are still not the point or purpose of Christ coming to earth.

John 3:16 reads:

*For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son,
So that whosoever believes in Him (the Son), would have eternal life.*

It was for love, for intimacy for relationship with us that the Son was sent.

Jesus didn’t step off of his eternal, royal, glorious throne in eternity and step into the stinking corpse of dead sinful humanity so that we could have health wealth and happiness. He came that we might be reunited with the Father.

It is true that in the Father, there is health wealth and happiness, and it is true that the promises He has made include health wealth and happiness, but the gifts and promises are not the point of our relationship.

INTIMACY is the point:-

**That we may again live in unity and
Intimacy with our Heavenly Father.**



AN INTIMATE CONVERSATION WITH JESUS

On the night when Jesus was betrayed by Judas, Jesus had the most direct and deep conversation with His disciples- it goes on for several chapters.

It begins with Jesus washing the disciples feet, then He dismisses Judas to ‘do what he must do’.

Then, in the company of the few men He has shared His life with for three years, in the last moments before He knows He is about to be betrayed and go to the Cross, in the last moments He has with these men, He has the most intimate and most straight-forward conversation that He has ever had with them.

In these chapters, He commissions His disciples with the New Commandment to love one another as He has loved them – this was a very personal direction. Jesus, who had been in intimate relationship with these men for three years, loving them perfectly, He then instructs them to continue in His example.

He prophesies to Peter about denying Him 3 times, and tells them that He is going away.

He tells them, “Do not worry, do not be troubled by this, just TRUST ME. I’m going away to make a place for you. You will come to me where I am, for I AM THE WAY the Truth and the Life.

He tells them that He will send them His Spirit as their Comforter and their Guide, and that whatever they ask according to His Will, the Father in Heaven will give to them.

It’s an amazing conversation that goes on and on (John 15-16) – then before they leave for The Garden of Gethsemane, where He will be betrayed, Jesus prays to the Father – and that’s what I want to focus on:-

In John 17: Jesus prays – He has a conversation with the Father about the point and purpose of His coming to earth.

Take time to read it here:

John 17 Amplified Classic

Jesus lifted up His eyes to heaven and said, Father, the hour has come. Glorify and exalt and honor and magnify Your Son, so that Your Son may glorify and extol and honor and magnify You.

² [Just as] You have granted Me power and authority over all flesh (all humankind), [now glorify Me] so that I may give eternal life to all whom You have given Me.



³ And this is eternal life: [it means] to know You (to perceive, recognize, become acquainted with, and understand Jehovah, the only true and real God, and [likewise] to know Me as Your Son, The Christ (the Anointed One, the Messiah), Whom You have sent.

⁴ I have glorified You down here on the earth by completing the work that You gave Me to do.

⁵ And now, Father, glorify Me along with Yourself and restore Me to such majesty and honor in Your presence as I had with You before the world existed.

⁶ I have manifested Your Name [I have revealed Your very Self, Your real Self] to the people whom You have given Me out of the world. They were Yours, and You gave them to Me, and they have obeyed and kept Your word.

⁷ Now [at last] they know and understand that all You have given Me belongs to You [is really and truly Yours].

⁸ For the [uttered] words that You gave Me I have given them; and they have received and accepted [them] and have come to know positively and in reality [to believe with absolute assurance] that I came forth from Your presence, and they have believed and are convinced that You did send Me.

⁹ I am praying for them. I am not praying (requesting) for the world, but for those You have given Me, for they belong to You.

¹⁰ All [things that are] Mine are Yours, and all [things that are] Yours belong to Me; and I am glorified in (through) them. [They have done Me honor; in them My glory is achieved.]

¹¹ And [now] I am no more in the world, but these are [still] in the world, and I am coming to You. Holy Father, keep in Your Name [^ain the knowledge of Yourself] those whom You have given Me, that they may be one as We [are one].

¹² While I was with them, I kept and preserved them in Your Name [^bin the knowledge and worship of You]. Those You have given Me I guarded and protected, and not one of them has perished or is lost except the son of perdition [Judas Iscariot—the one who is now doomed to destruction, destined to be lost], that the Scripture might be fulfilled.

(cont.)



¹³ And now I am coming to You; I say these things while I am still in the world, so that My joy may be made full and complete and perfect in them [that they may experience My delight fulfilled in them, that My enjoyment may be perfected in their own souls, that they may have My gladness within them, filling their hearts].

¹⁴ I have given and delivered to them Your word (Your message) and the world has hated them, because they are not of the world [do not belong to the world], just as I am not of the world.

¹⁵ I do not ask that You will take them out of the world, but that You will keep and protect them from the evil one.

¹⁶ They are not of the world (worldly, belonging to the world), [just] as I am not of the world.

¹⁷ Sanctify them [purify, consecrate, separate them for Yourself, make them holy] by the Truth; Your Word is Truth.

¹⁸ Just as You sent Me into the world, I also have sent them into the world.

¹⁹ And so for their sake and on their behalf I sanctify (dedicate, consecrate) Myself, that they also may be sanctified (dedicated, consecrated, made holy) in the Truth.

²⁰ Neither for these alone do I pray [it is not for their sake only that I make this request], but also for all those who will ever come to believe in (trust in, cling to, rely on) Me through their word and teaching,

²¹ That they all may be one, [just] as You, Father, are in Me and I in You, that they also may be one in Us, so that the world may believe and be convinced that You have sent Me.

²² I have given to them the glory and honor which You have given Me, that they may be one [even] as We are one:

²³ I in them and You in Me, in order that they may become one and perfectly united, that the world may know and [definitely] recognize that You sent Me and that You have loved them [even] as You have loved Me.

(cont.)



²⁴ Father, I desire that they also whom You have entrusted to Me [as Your gift to Me] may be with Me where I am, so that they may see My glory, which You have given Me [Your love gift to Me]; for You loved Me before the foundation of the world.

²⁵ O just and righteous Father, although the world has not known You and has failed to recognize You and has never acknowledged You, I have known You [continually]; and these men understand and know that You have sent Me.

²⁶ I have made Your Name known to them and revealed Your character and Your very ^[c]Self, and I will continue to make [You] known, that the love which You have bestowed upon Me may be in them [felt in their hearts] and that I [Myself] may be in them.

[End of Jesus' prayer]

In the next chapter, after praying this prayer, Jesus and the disciples went to the Garden of Gethsamene. There Jesus was betrayed by Judas and the journey to the cross begins.

Why did I have you read all of this?

How does this belong in a teaching on the Courts of Heaven?

Remember from the beginning I said the point and purpose of this teaching is about understanding the tool and venue of the Courts for prayer?

Well, in this very detailed prayer, prayed by Jesus as a commissioning for the disciples, He showed us that the point of all it is unity – oneness with Jesus, which is also oneness with The Father.

It is a prayer that affirms to us intimacy.



John 17:23 reads:

I in them and You in Me,

In order that they may become one and perfectly united.

**JESUS IN US, THE FATHER IN JESUS,
IN ORDER THAT WE MAY BE ONE – PERFECTLY UNITED.**

PRAYING IN THE COURTS OF HEAVEN

The role of the Courts of Heaven is to unite us to the Father and with His purposes for our life.

With that mindset – let us enter into the Courts together.

Following is a prayer to be prayed in Heaven's Court of Redemption.

It has been prepared as a legal document for you to read through in a prayerful way.

Picture yourself before God as Judge in His Heavenly Courtroom.

Remember that you may come before Him boldly, without any fear of punishment.

Remember that He desires to give to you according to His Will, which the Scriptures set out plainly for us.

After these prayers, as you present your own other cases before Heaven's Courts, it will be important to remember also that you are not presenting your own wants or wishes, or what your expectation of God is.

When you pray in the Courts of Heaven, you bring His Word, the Scriptures, to Him so:

- He can affirm your authority and position,**
- He can require the natural and spiritual realms to recognize your authority, and**
- He can punishment of the enemy.**

Remember, that we are not seeking God's judgment against any person, but against the spiritual realm that operates around, about and through others.

Remember that it is not up to you to promote yourself in the natural realm into the new things that God is releasing to you, but that He Himself will promote you.



There are times and circumstances where the enemy has a legal right to accuse you and to block you from the fullness of the Promises of God's Word for you. These circumstances are where there is sin, either personal or blood-line. This Petition will remove this right that the enemy uses to legally block all that God has purposed to release to and for you.

**IN THE HEBREWS 12:23-24 HEAVENLY COURT²
THE COURT OF GOD – JUDGE OVER ALL THINGS**

**IN THE ROMANS 5:9 COURT DIVISION³
THE COURT OF REDEMPTION – THE BLOOD COURT**

RE: _____(Your Name Here)

**PETITION FOR REMISSION OF SIN
FOR PARDON FROM SIN
FOR UNITY WITH THE FATHER
THROUGH THE SON**

I, _____, Petitioner file this Petition against Adversary, the Revelation 12:10 Accuser of the Brethren, and cite as follows:

1. I come into the Court of Heaven in perfect peace because my mind, my imagination, is set on The Lord. (Isaiah 26:3)
2. I come through the Blood of Christ, which is the Blood of the Covenant, shed for the remission of my sin. (Matthew 26:28)
3. Bloodline Sin: I agree with Adversary in terms of sin in my blood-line. I am grateful, to you O Lord, that you are slow to anger and filled with unfailing love, forgiving every kind of sin and rebellion. (Numbers 14:18)
 - a. I specifically Petition this Court for the forgiveness of my blood-line, as I forgive those in my blood-line who have gone before me, for I know that as the Righteous Judge, Lord, You do not excuse the guilty but lay the sins of the parents upon their children; even to the third and fourth generations.

² You have come to the assembly of God's firstborn children, whose names are written in heaven. **You have come to God himself, who is the judge over all things.** You have come to the spirits of the righteous ones in heaven who have now been made perfect. 24 You have come to Jesus, the one who mediates the new covenant between God and people, and to the sprinkled blood, which speaks of forgiveness instead of crying out for vengeance like the blood of Abel. (Hebrews 12:23-24)

³ And since we have been made right in God's sight by the blood of Christ, he will certainly save us from God's condemnation. (Romans 5:9 NLT)



- b. Therefore I Petition that you cover my generational blood line with the Blood of Your Covenant for the remission of the impact their sin has upon my life, and that by Your Blood you close the door to the enemy's access to my life.
4. Personal Sin: I agree with Adversary in terms of sin in my own life. (Matthew 5:25)
 - a. I agree that all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. (Romans 3:23). I have sinned and fallen short of your Glory.
 - b. I agree that whoever keeps the whole law but stumbles on just one point, becomes guilty of the whole law and is deemed to have broken all the laws. (James 2:10). I am guilty of the whole law.
5. I confirm, according to Romans 10:9:
 - a. I hereby confess with my mouth that Jesus is Lord, and
 - b. I believe in my heart that God raised Him from the dead.
6. I further request that even though Adversary has come as my Accuser, to steal, to kill and to destroy, I request this Court grant to me life, and life abundant according to the purpose Jesus stated for His coming in John 10:10.
7. I request further that this Court confirm to me unity with The Son and The Father, according to Jesus' Prayer in John 17.

Based upon the following, Petitioner requests a Judgment in favor of Petitioner and against Adversary, and requests the issuance of an Order according to Romans 10:9, that Petitioner is in fact and in deed saved, and be granted therefore eternal life and all the benefits thereof.

Dated _____.

Petitioner

(cont.)



JUDGMENT GRANTED:

On this day, in the Hebrews 12:23-24 Heavenly Court, the Court of God—Judge Over All Things, in the Romans 5:9 and Matthew 26:28 Blood of the Covenant Division, as follows:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED

1. Petitioner's freedom, having been purchased with the blood of My Son, I Jehovah, Judge of the Courts of Heaven decree forgiveness of Petitioner's sins according to My Word in Ephesians 1:7.
2. Petitioner is hereby justified by the blood, according to Romans 5:9.
3. Petitioner is hereby justified freely by My grace, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus. (Romans 3:23).
4. Petitioner is made right in the sight of this Court and Jehovah God, who is Judge over all things, having been made right by the blood of Christ. Petitioner shall now surely be saved from condemnation. (Romans 5:9).
5. Petitioner is hereby pardoned as a free gift and is therefore deemed just in the sight of this Court, deemed in fact to have never sinned.
6. Petitioner is hereby granted life, and life abundant according to John 10:10, as a stated purpose for the life and blood of My Son.

Further, this Court further confirms to Petitioner that Petitioner has been given authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy. Nothing shall harm you. **Nevertheless, do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your name is written in heaven. (Luke 10:20).**

This shall also serve to Order that Petitioner be and is hereby unified as One with The Father and The Son, according to John 17, being therefore:

- (a) Sanctified, purified, consecrated by the Truth, for My Word is Truth;
- (b) Made one in the same manner that the Father and the Son are One, so that the world may believe and be convinced that I, Jehovah, sent My Son.
- (c) Is a recipient of the glory and honor given to the Son, so that they may be One even as the Father and the Son are One.
- (d) May come, at the right time, to where the Son is, so that they may see My glory.



ORDERS ISSUED:

The Hebrews 1:4⁴ Clerks of the Court, those who are called to serve the heirs of salvation, are hereby authorized and released to enforce this Judgment.

Jehovah, Judge over all things (Hebrews 12:23-24) hereby decrees as follows:

Revelation 12:10

Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of God, and the authority of Christ. For the accuser of the brethren has been cast down! He who accuses them day and night before Jehovah God, is thrown down. Petitioner has conquered adversary by the Blood of the Lamb and by the word of their Testimony.

From before the foundation of the world, and affirmed by this Court again from this day forward, Petitioner was and is saved by grace through faith in the Blood of the Covenant shed by the perfect Son, Jesus Christ. To Him be all glory and honor forever.

JUDGMENT IS HEREBY ENTERED.

⁴ *Are not all angels ministering spirits sent to serve those who are the heirs of salvation.* Hebrews 1:4