

Series: PRAYER – Upward. Inward. Outward.

Sermon: Intercession: Standing In The Gap – Eph. 6:16-18

Hearts that experience God's love and transformation will burn with compassion for others that ignites prayers of intercession.

What Is Intercession?

1. Standing in the gap for the needs and concerns of others
 - Ezekiel 22:30
2. Jesus is our High Priest who lives to intercede for us.
 - Romans 8:34, Hebrew 4:14-16; 7:25; 9:24

Why Intercede For Others?

1. People need us to stand in the gap for their salvation
 - Psalm 106:23 (Exodus 32), Isaiah 59:16 (63:5)
2. Like Jesus we have a sacred calling as intercessors
 - John 20:21-22, 1 Peter 2:5
3. Heroes to follow: Abraham (Gen. 18:23-33), Moses (Ex. 17:8-13, 32:7-14), Elijah (1 Kgs. 18:41-44), (Esther 4:12-16), (Daniel 9), Paul

Be One Who P.R.A.Y.S. For Others

1. **Paise The Lord For Who He Is And What He's Done**
 - (Matthew 21:12-16), 2 Corinthians 1:3-4
2. **Repent Of Any Unrighteousness The Spirit Shows You**
 - Psalm 139:23-24, (1 John 1:9)
3. **Arm Yourself With God's Word And Stand Against The Adversary**
 - Ephesians 6:16-18, (2 Tim. 3:16),
 - 1 Peter 5:8-9, James 4:7-8, (1 Jn. 4:4)
4. **Yoke Yourself In Prayer With The Holy Spirit**
 - Ephesians 6:18, Romans 8:26-27
5. **Stand In The Gap For Others With Perseverance**
 - Ephesians 6:18 (Luke 18:1-8), Psalm 106:23

God's Word For Prayers Of Intercession

Growing Love for God & Others: Mark 12:29-30, 1 John 4:18-19
Love that leads to obedience and purity: John 14:21, Philippians 1:9-11

Freedom from condemnation: Romans 8:1-2

Renewing of one's thoughts: Romans 12:2, Philippians 4:8

Hope: Romans 15:13

Anxiety and Fear: Deuteronomy 31:8, Joshua 1:9,
Matthew 6:33-34, Philippians 4:6-7

Depression: Deuteronomy 31:8, Psalm 34:17-18,
Matthew 11:28-29

Anger: Proverbs 14:29, 15:1, Ephesians 4:31

Encouragement for the future: Psalm 139:16, Romans 8:28,
Ephesians 2:10, Philippians 1:6

Healing: James 5:14-16

God's strength thru weakness: 2 Corinthians 12:9-10,
Philippians 2:13; 4:13

God given identity: Psalm 139:13-14, 1 John 3:1

Forgiveness for those who have hurt you: Luke 6:27-28, 23:34,
Ephesians 4:32

Marriage: Romans 15:5-6, 1 Corinthians 13:4-5,
Colossians 3:14-15

Children and Parents: Ps. 112:1-2, Prov. 1:10, 15, Is. 54:13, Rom.
12:1-2, Eph. 6:2-3, Col. 1:9-10, 2 Tim. 2:25-26, Jm. 4:7-8

Friends: Job 42:8

People in authority: 1 Timothy 2:1-5