

DISCOVER AND EMBRACE

# God's created design

AND MISSION FOR YOUR LIFE!



## PREPARING TO CRY OUT

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Text: Nehemiah 1:1-3

Prayer is always a \_\_\_\_\_ of the mighty men and women of God.

- Great people of the Old Testament were always prayer warriors.
- Jesus would get up early, stay up late, or send the crowd away to pray.
- In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus taught His disciples how to pray.
- The early church prioritized prayer.
  - o 1 Timothy 2:1
  - o Acts 6:4
  - o Romans 12:12
  - o Colossians 4:2

*There is no greater privilege for you and I—anyone—to be able to personally talk to God—and speak into the ears of the Almighty. It's a beautiful, mysterious, jaw-dropping opportunity that we have every day.*

Prayer begins by \_\_\_\_\_—knowing Him as your Lord and Savior.

*If you have religion but you don't have a relationship with God, God is not obligated to answer your prayers.*

#### **Seven Tests of Our Salvation**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ (1 John 2:3-6).
2. A \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus as \_\_\_\_\_ (1 John 2:22).
3. \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ (Luke 13:3; 1 John 3:9).
4. The \_\_\_\_\_ of God your \_\_\_\_\_ (1 John 3:1; Heb. 12:6).
5. Genuine \_\_\_\_\_ for other \_\_\_\_\_ (1 John 3:14).
6. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ (1 John 3:24).
7. Trust in \_\_\_\_\_ for salvation (Phil. 3:4-11; 1 John 5:12).

## Getting our Hearts Ready to Pray

In Scripture, prayer is evidenced by:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ before we pray.
2. Praying in \_\_\_\_\_. We claim the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ and base it upon the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Obeying whatever the Lord tells us to do afterward.

Our prayers will be hindered by:

- \_\_\_\_\_ we refuse to repent of (Ps. 66:18).
- \_\_\_\_\_ in our hearts (Mark 11:25).

If we are right with the Lord, then we can begin to pray strategically and effectively.

- Pray \_\_\_\_\_. Ask for the moon.
- Keep on \_\_\_\_\_ (James 4:2).
- Pray in Jesus' name—based upon His \_\_\_\_\_, His \_\_\_\_\_, and His \_\_\_\_\_.
- Get \_\_\_\_\_. Don't hold back. Then leave it with the Lord.

*This world would never be the same, if women would get right with the Lord, pray in faith, and then obey what God tells them to do.*