An Altar Not To Miss Jason Teo

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- 5) Altar where fire is ignited(Applicable for personal, family or church altar)

#### 1) Altar where God is honored as a family

### Genesis 17:7

I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after



When each prays in his hierarchy..

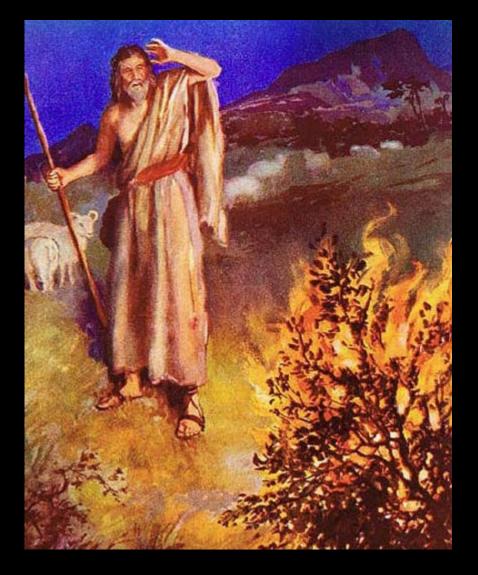
..God is acknowledged by the generations.

### **Exodus 20:4-5**

<sup>4</sup>You shall not make for yourself any carved image or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; <sup>5</sup>you shall not bow down to them nor serve them. For I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and fourth generations of those who hate Me. <sup>6</sup>but showing mercy to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments.

### Exodus 20:3

### You shall have no other gods before Me.



Exodus 3:15 "The LORD God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, of Isaac and of Jacob..."



Keeping the faith dynamic and alive through the generations

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Family dynamics

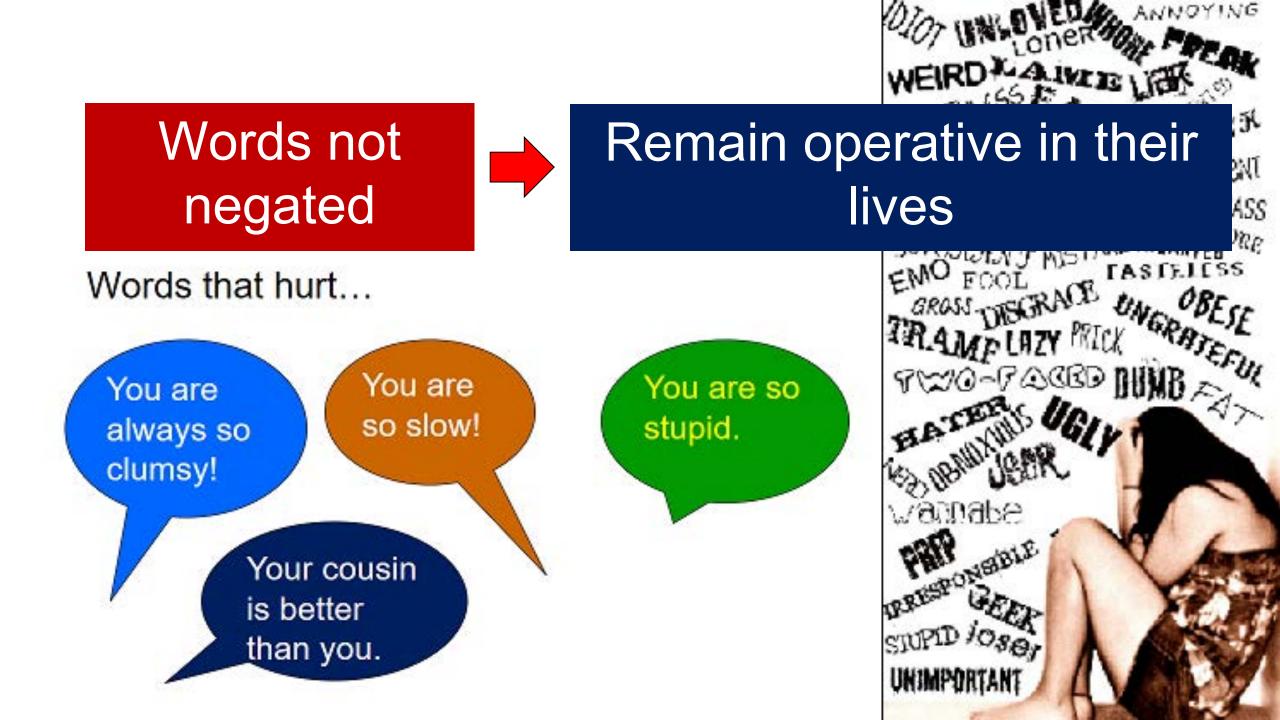
### A lot more....



# Proverbs 12:18

The words of the reckless pierce like swords, but the tongue of the wise brings healing.







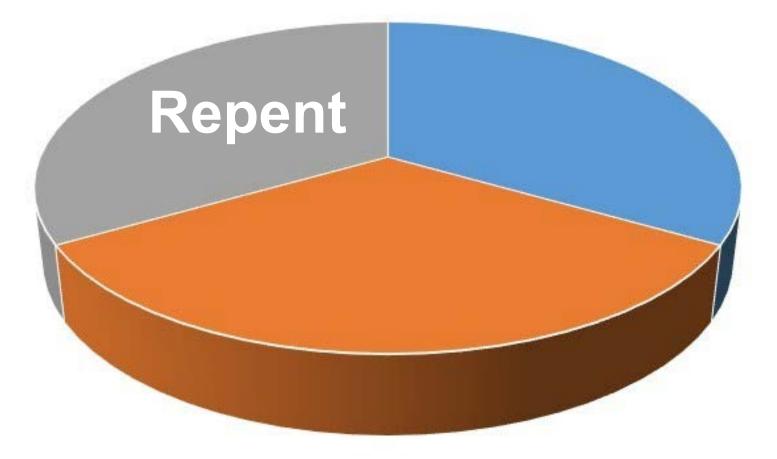
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Matthew 5:23-24

<sup>23</sup>So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, <sup>24</sup>leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother of sister, and then come and offer your gift.



### A place where restoration happens



# Why repent?

### so that...

- Devil has no legal ground.
- Negative words do not remain operative.
- Obstacles to prayers are cleared.

#### Misgivings



Sibling Rivalry



Disrespectful



#### Self-centredness





Wilfulness Cursing parents

#### **Dear Heavenly Father,**

I am sorry for all the negative words and curses I have spoken against (<u>name the persons</u>). Instead of edifying them, I have caused hurt. I acknowledge my sin. Please forgive me.

Right now, I negate those negative words and curses. Let them be annulled and invalidated. They shall not be grounds for the evil ones to harass all the persons I named just now. They shall also not be grounds against me.

I plead the Blood of the Lamb upon me and upon them. Let each of them come into the destiny that You have for them. In Jesus' name. Amen.

#### **Dear Heavenly Father,**

In Christ, I don't have to live in the shadow of the past.

For all the negative words and curses spoken against me by (<u>name the</u> <u>persons</u>), I take all of them captive and lay them at the Cross. They shall have no part in me.

My identity is in Christ. I come under the Blood of the Lamb.

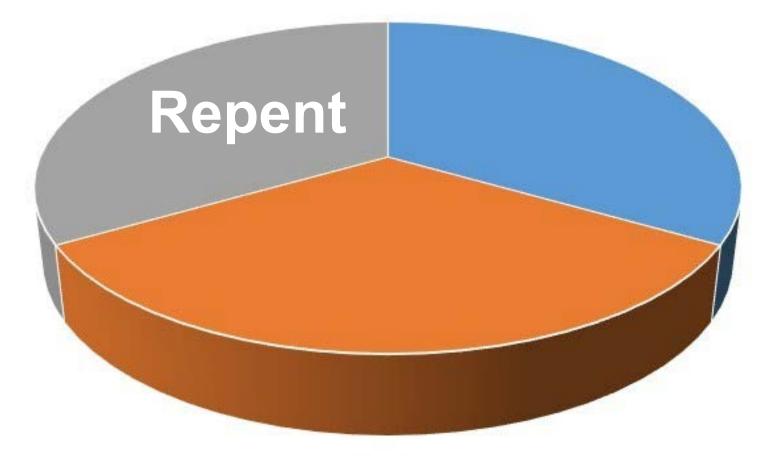
Where those words have become grounds for the evil ones to harass me, through the Blood of the Lamb, I declare them invalidated and shattered.

I forgive all those who spoke negatively against me. Let your blessings of peace be released upon them and upon me.

Thank You. In Jesus' name. Amen.

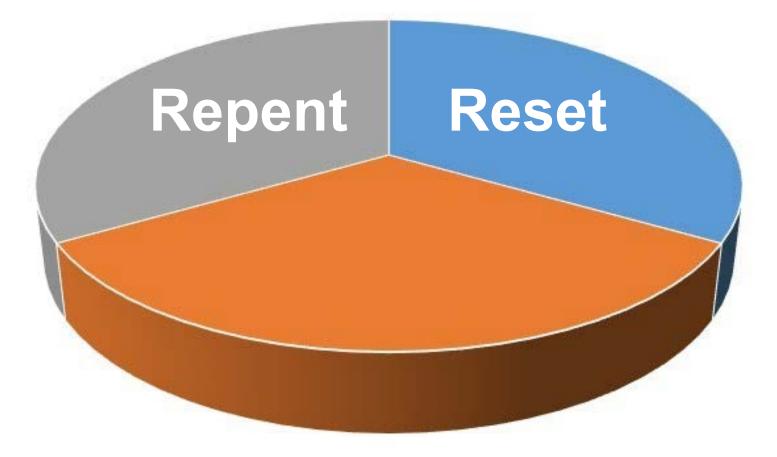


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### 1 John 1:9



If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

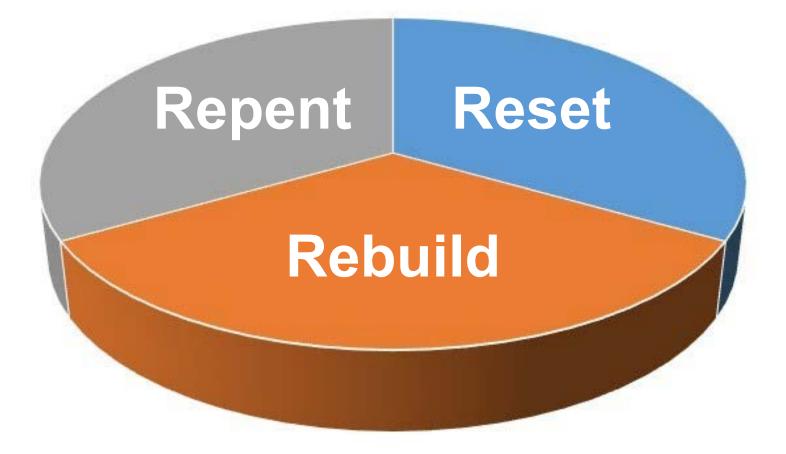
# Peter: How many times do I forgive?



Jesus: 70 x 7 times



### A place where restoration happens



## The Father



- Repent
- Reset
- Rebuild

## The Elder Brother



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## Repent



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## Matthew 15:21-24

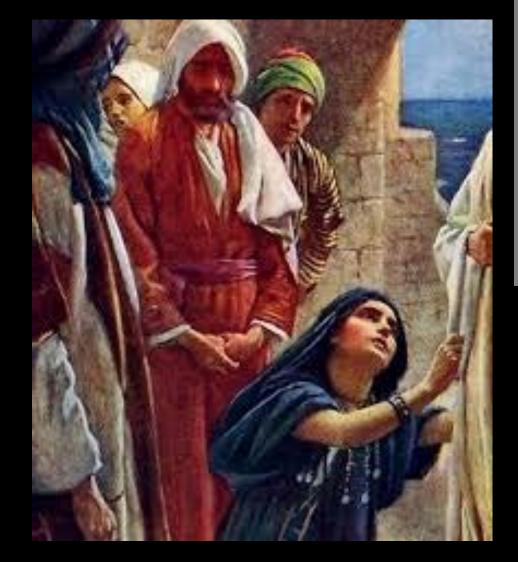
<sup>21</sup>Jesus left that place and went to the district of Tyre and Sidon. 22Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." <sup>24</sup>He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel."

## Matthew 15:25-28

<sup>25</sup>But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." <sup>26</sup>He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." <sup>27</sup>She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from the masters' table." <sup>28</sup>Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

## Dynamics at the altar





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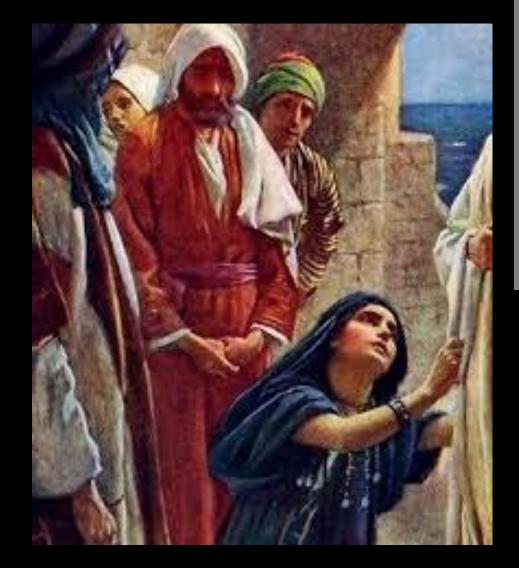
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#### **Isaiah 1:18**

"Come now, and let us reason together," says the LORD,. "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall be as wool."



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#### **Approach to prayer**

Don't just raise a need but raise a case. Don't just raise a request but seek a redress. Don't just tell your problems, reason for His promises. Don't just be a petitioner, be an advocate.

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#### Jesus:

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#### Martin Luther

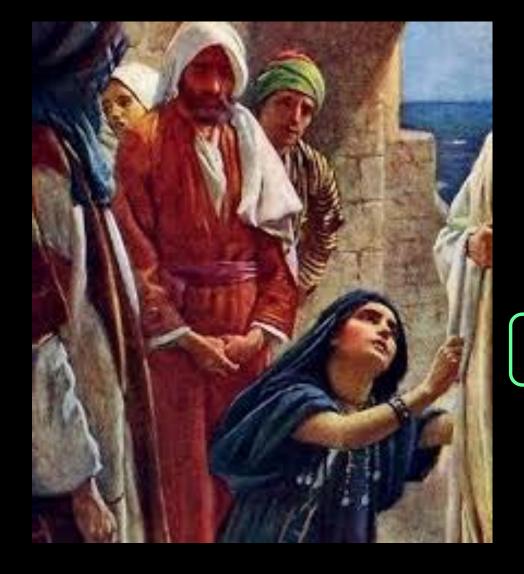
#### "Prayer is not overcoming God's reluctance, but laying hold of His willingness."

#### Genesis 32:26

"Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me."

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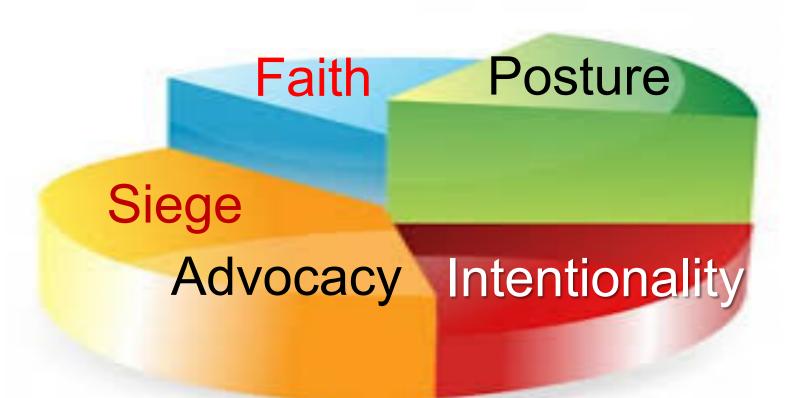


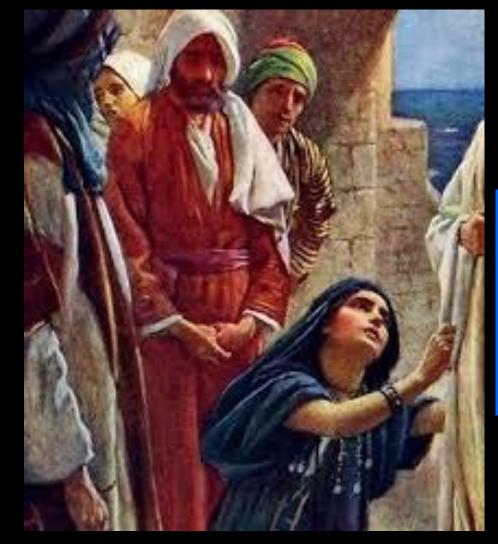
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#### Matthew 12:22-23

Then they brought to him a demonic who was blind and mute and he cured him, so that the one who had been mute could speak and see. 23All the crowds were amazed and said, "Can this be the Son of David?"

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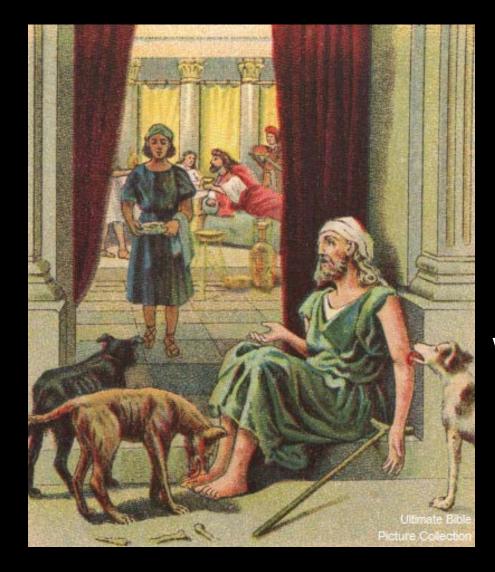


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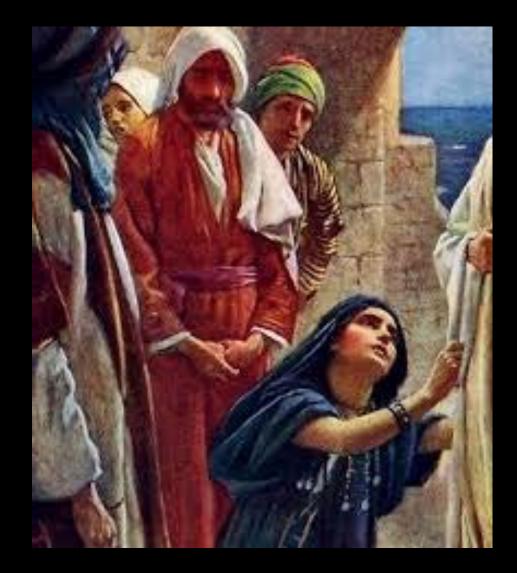
Dog: Can refer to street dogs. Don't live with the family but roam the streets. Can be used as a metaphor.

Dog: 'knon' or 'kunarion' 'Street' dog or puppy



Luke 16:21 As Lazarus lay there longing for scraps from the rich man's table, the dogs would come and lick his open sores.

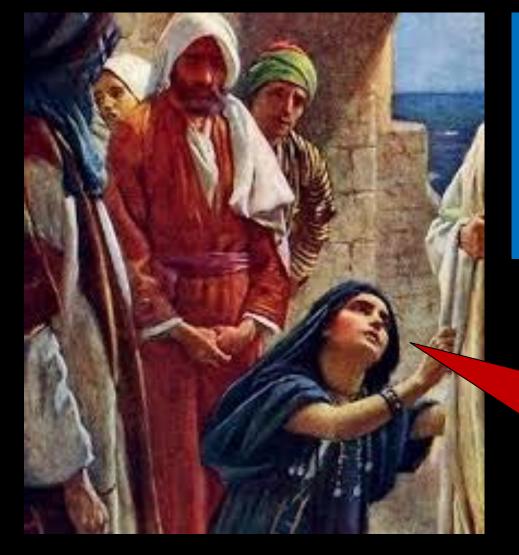
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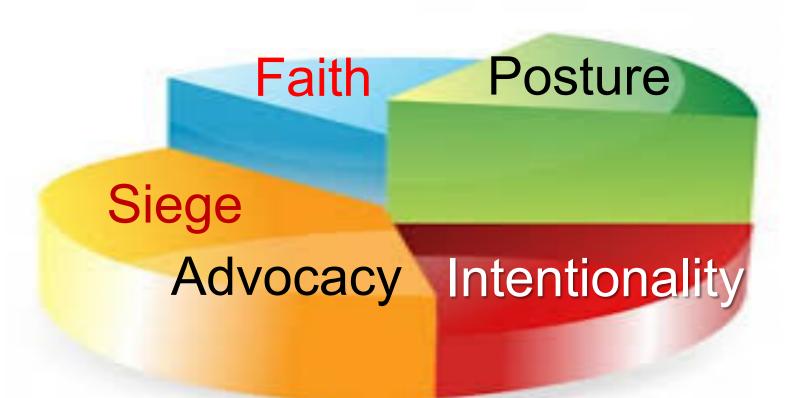


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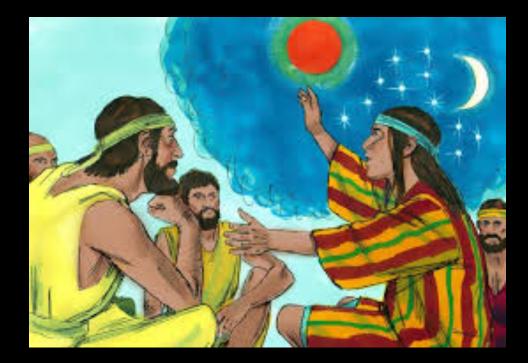
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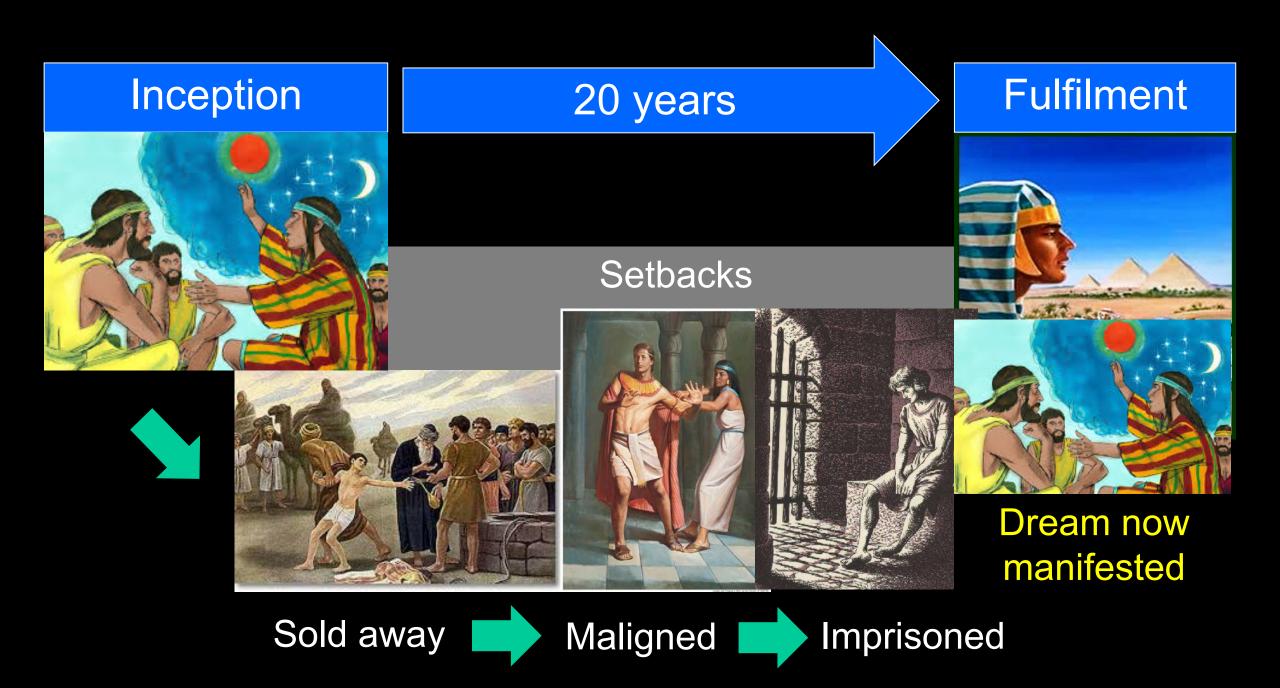


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#### Genesis 37:9

"Look, I have dreamed another dream. And this time, the sun, moon, and the eleven stars bowed down to me."





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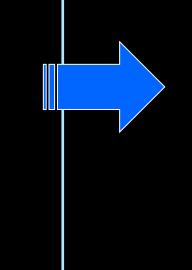
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#### Righteousness

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Storm Heartaches Pains Sufferings Turmoil

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- Surpasses understanding ightarrow
- Keeps heart & mind  $\bullet$ guarded
- Fruit of the Spirit
- Peace despite storm ightarrow



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Depression Confusion Hopelessness

### For the kingdom of God is not food and drink but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.

- Joy in the Spirit
- Joy of His presence
- Joy amidst trials



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#### Moulding process

#### Renewal of mind

Dismantling of ungodly beliefs

#### Tearing down of strongholds

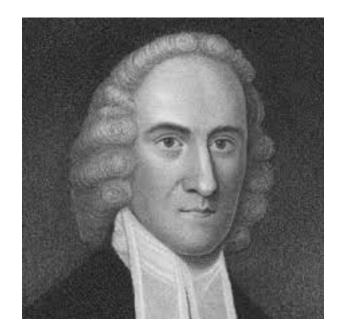
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#### D L Moody Hudson Taylor Jonathan Edward

#### **Corporate Prayer Meetings**



Total: 250 / 1800 (Congregation)



#### **Fire of Prayer**



Matthew 21:13 My house shall be called a house of prayer.

### Health Report Corporate Prayer Meetings



#### A.W. Tozer

"If the Holy Spirit was withdrawn from the church today, 95 percent of what we do would go on and no one would know the difference. If the Holy spirit had been withdrawn from the New Testament church, 95 percent of what they did would stop, and everybody would know the difference."

#### **Some churches in the West:** Fire gone out. Altar collapsed.

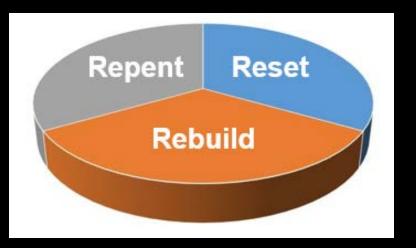
#### Leonard Ravenhill

## "The true church lives and moves and has its being in prayer."

#### 1) Altar where God is honored as a Divine factor



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Altar where restoration happens Heart factor



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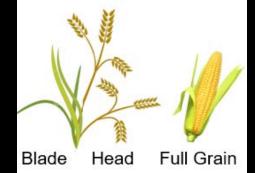
Heart factor

3) Altar where transaction happens Approach factor



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Stewardship factor

How is your... Personal prayer altar? Family prayer altar? ...and the Church prayer altar?



#### Video clip

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