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RAISING SEVEN SAILS FOR MOVEMENT

- 1. Focus on God's Word
- 2. Multiply Extraordinary Prayer
- 3. Cast Vision to Believers
- 4. Train Believers to Go
- 5. Go Out Among the Lost
- 6. See Discovery Groups Start

7. Ongoing Coaching

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MESSAGE 4: A CALL TO PRAYER

"Prayer permeates Church Planting Movements. Whether it's Koreans rising at four in the morning for a two-hour prayer time, or Spanish Gypsies 'going to the mountain,' as they call their all-night prayer vigils, Church Planting Movements are steeped in prayer. Consequently, prayer has become the first priority of every Church Planting Movement strategist."

> David Garrison Church Planting Movements (2004)





JESUS MODELED PRAYER



Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed. Mark 1:35 NIV

> After leaving them (disciples), he went up on a mountainside to pray. Mark 6:46 NIV

... Jesus went out to a mountainside to pray, and spent the night praying to God.

Luke 6:12 NIV



Once when Jesus was praying in private, and his disciples were with him, he asked them, "Who do the crowds say that I am?".

Luke 9:18 NIV

About eight days after Jesus said this, he took Peter, John and James with him, and went up onto a mountain to pray. Luke 9:28 NIV

One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord teach us to pray, …"

Luke 11:1 NIV



JESUS MODEL PRAYER



"Whenever you pray, be sincere and not like the pretenders who love the attention (applause) they receive while praying before others in the meetings (gatherings) and on the street corners. Believe me, they've already received their reward. But whenever you pray, go into your innermost chamber (inner room of your heart) and be alone with Father God, praying to him in secret. And your Father, who sees all you do (everything), will reward you openly."

Matthew 6:5-6 TPT



"Our Father, dwelling in the heavenly realms, May the glory of your name be the center on which our lives turn. Manifest (unleash) your kingdom realm (reign), and cause your every purpose to be fulfilled on earth, just as it is fulfilled in heaven. We acknowledge you as Provider of all we need (give us bread for life) each day. *Forgive us the wrongs (sins) we have done as we ourselves* release forgiveness to those who have wronged us. *Rescue us every time we face tribulation (testing) and set us* free from evil (the evil one). For you are the King who rules (Kingdom) with power and glory (goodness) forever. Amen." discovering Matthew 6:9-13 TPT

JESUS' FOLLOWERS PRAYED



They all met together and were constantly united in prayer, ... Acts 1:14 NLT

All the believers devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, and to fellowship, and to sharing in meals (including the Lord's Supper) and to prayer.

Acts 2:42 NLT

When they heard the *report* (from Peter and John), all the believers lifted their voices together in prayer to God.

Acts 4:24 NLT

After this prayer, the meeting place shook, ...

Acts 4:31 NLT



Jesus taught more about prayer than any other subject except the Kingdom of God. We also know that both Jesus and the early church spent much time in prayer including praying the Psalms. We can also say that every major revival and movement of the Holy Spirit was preceded by long, intense prayer. We find powerful prayers recorded in Scripture, such as in Paul's epistles, but in all cases these prayers reflect the priorities and petitions of the Lord's Prayer.

> Jerry Trousdale The Kingdom Unleashed (2013)



HOW CAN WE MOBILIZE PRAYER

- Start in the Mirror (TAWG).
- Ask and Listen (Listening Prayer).
- Focus on the Harvest (Lost Sheep).

... "The harvest is huge and ripe! But there are not enough harvesters (workers) to bring it all in. As you go, plead with the Owner (Lord) of the Harvest to thrust (cast) out many more reapers to harvest his grain!". - Matthew 9: 37b-38

Multiply Extraordinary Prayer (Do It!). Of Maiscovering DMM

Prayer is the lifeblood of movements. The church in the Global North does not rely on prayer, and if behavior is any indication, it does not believe in it, either. If we are going to see movements in the Global North, we will need to see a new, ongoing commitment to serious, intense, persistent prayer for God to open heaven, to raise up disciple makers and church planters, to guide us to His people of peace (POPs), and to empower our work. Without that, there will be no movements and the church will continue its slow, inexorable decline into irrelevance in Global North culture.

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DISCOVERY BIBLE STUDY THE QUESTIONS JESUS ASKED

and what he wanted us to know.

Read Mark 7:1-13 (The Passion Translation) DBS: Mark 7:5-13 (9 verses; 3 Column Study) Question: "Do you really think God will honor your traditions passed down to others, making up rules that nullify God's Word?"