



WORKSHOPS – A5.1 & C5.1 TITLE : PROPHETIC INTERCESSION	SPEAKER : CYRIL JOHN
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Prophetic intercession is a prophetic sign of the time for a mighty new wave of the holy spirit that is going to strike/hit the church very soon. It is forerunner/sign of something unique that the lord is going to do as we celebrate the golden jubilee of the CCR.

1 Tim 2:1-2

The question is: How you we intercede?

Teaching on Prophetic Intercession is based on the following Bible references:-

1. **Ezek 22:30**
2. **Jer 27:18**
3. **1 Jn 5:14-15**
4. **Lk 11:1**
5. **Eph 6:18**
6. **Rom 8:26-27**

Many of us might begin praying according to our own understanding when we are in the initial phase of intercession. But **we need to enter a deeper level / realm of intercession.**

Fidelity to God's will is a necessary precondition for the prayers being answered. "You ask but do not receive, because you ask wrongly..." (**Jas 4:3**).

The attitude of the intercessor should be, "Here I am... How I love to do your will, my God" (**Ps 40:7-8**).



WHAT IS PROPHETIC INTERCESSION?

So many people think that intercession is taking a whole list of requests and bringing them to the Lord and bombarding Him and then will the answer. In intercession we need to keep our eyes fixed on what is moving in the heart of God. The intercessor becomes the trusted aide, the lieutenant of God. Therefore, God reveals His mind to the intercessor.

Lk 12:56 ‘You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time? In simple words, **prophetic intercession is asking God to lead us in what to pray for and how to pray for it, hearing from God and then praying according to what He tells us. Another way of putting it is to invite God to lead and direct our prayers.**

The Hebrew word for ‘prophet’ when translated literally means ‘spokesperson’. “I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command” (**Deut 18:18**). **The prophet is an intermediary between God and His people. The Biblical concept of the prophet is much wider.**

1. ABRAHAM

Gen 18:17: “Shall I hide from Abraham what I am about to do...” This is what the Lord thinks as he about to punish Sodom and Gomorrah. What Abraham does is not communicating it to the people, but interceding for the people under the judgment of God.

In **Gen 18:16-33**, Abraham intercedes for the people of Sodom and Gomorrah.

The Lord told Abimelech about Abraham: “for he is a prophet, and he will pray for you and you shall live” (**Gen 20:7**).

2. JOSHUA

Joshua 6: 1-20 – Intercession and Fall of Jericho. – It was prophetic intercession planned and guided by the Lord and executed as scripted by the Lord.

3. EZEKIEL

Ezek 22:30 “**And I sought for anyone among them** who would repair the wall and stand in the breach before me on behalf of the land, so that I would not destroy it; but I found no one.”

“The Lord GOD does nothing, without revealing his secret to his servants the prophets” (**Amos 3: 7**).

PROPHETIC INTERCESSION, THEREFORE, IS A BIBLICAL PRAYER.



SIX STEPS OF PROPHETIC INTERCESSION

Intercession identifies with the needs and burdens of the people, whereas **prophetic intercession** identifies with the burdens of the Lord. **Prophetic intercession is not coming to the Lord with a prayer list, but coming to the Lord to get a prayer list.**

SIX STEPS FOR PROPHETIC INTERCESSION WORKSHOP (of 60 minutes duration)

1. Step 1: EMPTY ONES OWN PLANS AND PLACE OURSELVES AT HIS DISPOSAL (5 Minutes)

“For my thoughts are not your thoughts nor are your ways my ways says the Lord. As high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are my ways above your ways and my thoughts above your thoughts” (Is 55:8-9).

“For I know well the plans I have in mind for you...” (Jer 29:11), says the Lord.

In intercession, we are just “**like clay in the hands of a potter**, to be molded according his pleasure, so are men in the hands of their Creator, **to be assigned by him their function**” (Jer 18:6; Sir 33:13).

For this we first need to unburden our thoughts, anxieties, and really empty ourselves of our preoccupations to come before the Lord who will inspire us to pray according to the Holy Will.

2. Step 2: SEEK GOD’S PLAN: WHAT TO PRAY FOR? (8 Minutes)

1 Jn 5:14-15: “And this is the boldness we have in him, that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have obtained the requests made of him.”

The Lord will unfold His plans to us. For this we need to lend our “eyes” and “ears” to Him. Praise and worship the Lord/pray in tongues and then go into a time of silence to sense the promptings of the Lord as to what intention to pray for. Share it with the group and arrive at a decision to pray for one or more intentions.

3. Step 3: KNOW HIS STRATEGY: HOW TO PRAY? (8 Minutes)

Since we are engaged in a complex spiritual exercise which is beyond human comprehension, we should discern the right strategy, “Lord I have so many enemies. Lead me to do your will; make your way plain for me to follow” (Ps 5:8).

2 Cor 10: 4 “For the weapons of our warfare are not merely human, but they have divine power to destroy strongholds.”

Eph 6:10 “Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power.” We always derive strength from the Lord in our intercession.

Joshua 6:1-20 The Lord discloses His strategy as in the case of intercession and Fall of Jericho.

Lk 11: 1 – We should ask the Lord to teach us to pray.

Pause to listen to the Lord for messages as to how to pray as in Step 2 and arrive at decision about the strategy for prayer.



4. **Step 4: PRACTICAL INTERCESSION AS THE SPIRIT DIRECTS (25 Minutes)**

2 Chron 7:14: “If my people who are called by my name humble themselves, pray, seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, **then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.**”

This is the time to do practical intercession for the intention using the strategy the Lord has revealed. Pray with unity and faith: **Mt 18:19; Mk 11:24**

5. **Step 5: LISTEN TO THE LORD AND SHARE MESSAGES (7 Minutes)**

Having completed intercession, it is time to listen to the Lord again. Normally the group receives very encouraging messages this time.

Is 55:11- “So shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it will accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.” When the message is the form of a Word of God, one needs to proclaim in loud.

6. **Step 6: THANK THE LORD FOR ANSWERING PRAYER (5 minutes)**

Our prayers are always answered although the answer could be different: YES, NO or WAIT.

Is 65:24 – “Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear.”

ALL OF US ARE CALLED TO BE PROPHETIC INTERCESSORS. BECOME PROPHETIC INTERCESSORS THE LORD IS GOING TO DO MIGHTY THINGS IN YOUR MIDST.

PLEASE NOTE: This time schedule and steps are to be followed during workshops when time available is limited. Intercession groups could plan steps depending on availability of time.