



PREPARED FOR HIS SOON RETURN SERIES

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DESIRING GOD IN OUR PRAYER LIFE

"Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, and to see my glory, the glory you have given me because you loved me before the creation of the world. Righteous Father, though the world does not know you, I know you, and they know that you have sent me. I have made you known to them, and will continue to make you known in order that the love you have for me may be in them and that I myself may be in them." (John 17:24-26)

The content of a conversation between love ones reveals what is important for them. Prayer likewise in the life of Jesus in general, and in John 17 especially, reveals the importance of His communion with His Father. Jesus-Christ in John 17:26 wished for us to have the same communion with Him. That desire Jesus-Christ expressed is the ultimate goal in our Christian

journey: to live for Him, to have Him living in us, and to be one day united with Him forever.

In our preparation for the kingdom of God, prayer tells God more about us, what we desire from Him, and how much He matters for us. When we are reunited with God at the coming of Jesus, prayer will no longer have its place in the life of Man. Life will then consist of living daily in God's presence; for the knowledge of God will fill the whole earth (Habakkuk 2:14; Isaiah 11:9).

What do we have in our prayer list today?

- Lord cleanse my robe?
- Lord make me fit every day for Your kingdom?
- Lord create in me a clean heart?
- Lord let me abide in You every day?
- Lord fill me with the Holy Spirit?
- Lord show me Your glory like Moses asked?
- My soul is thirsty for You like David prayed?
- I know my Redeemer lives like Job prayed for in adversity?

Or:

- Lord I need something from you?

There is nothing wrong in asking God for what we need. In fact He is our Provider; and in His love and mercy, He will supply all our need according to His riches in glory (Philippians 4:19) The question is, what is the priority in our daily conversations with God? The request for material things, or our earnest desire to live with Him? Something to think about.

If heaven is your goal, heaven is to be your priority and heaven is to be the priority in your prayers.

Remember, Heaven will be for those who desire it with intense desire, and those who put forth efforts in proportion to what they seek (My Life Today - Page 341 Ellen White 1952).

Be intentional, make heaven your priority; God will bless your decision.

By His grace, we will see His face, not in shame but in righteousness. Amen

Yours in the blessed hope.

- Edem Fabrice Ameyou

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