

PREACHING No.48: LORD, TEACH US TO PRAY

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I regret a little the fact that some preachings were not recorded. There is: "*the boat of Tarshish*", there is: "*Refusing to progress*", but others like "*the precepts of priesthood*" are available only audio... and especially: *the meaning of restitution*. I do not think that I can preach them as I did. You see? It is when I finish that I regret not having recorded it. You see?

Well, since there are churches that believe, in order that a believer from there may not say: "*Instead of remaining here, I will go there where the prophet himself is!*", to avoid such a thought, I will go round the assemblies. If this Sunday, I preach here, the following Sunday I preach there, the following Sunday, I preach somewhere else...

Somebody has just told me that William Branham would have talked about this glorious action of the Angel of Covenant and the Lamb which took place on April 24, 1993. William Branham would have said in 1963, the day when he was preaching on the third seal, that in 1993 something would happen ... He said something like :... ["*And see, if it's three minutes, less than three minutes of His coming. See, that'd be thirty years, about, to us, or something on that order...*" And in another brochure, he said [*Ed: Countdown, Ref.103*]: "*You know, when John Glenn had settled there, this morning, it followed the countdown. You see? And now, one arrives from there where it is known as: "In three minutes something will take off". They do not know what it is. It is midnight minus three minutes*]. Brother, it is since this week that I have seen these references and how many people here remember that I said that since April 24, 1993 we were at midnight? [Several say Amen!] William Branham said in 1963: "*it's three minutes, less than three minutes of His coming. See, that'd be thirty years, about, to us, or something on that order...*" and 1963 plus 30 years, that gives 1993 and on April 24, 1993, Jesus-Christ came down for the interpretation of the unknown language. Only the midnight Cry shuts the mouth of those who say that William Branham gave a false prophecy on the Lord's back in 1993, I saw it on a website...

Well, let's take our Bibles this morning in Rev.8:3-5 then in Luke 11:1 [Brother Philip reads Rev .8:3-5 and Luke 11:1-4] Well, I take Luke 11 back: *And it came to pass as he was in a certain place praying, when he ceased, one of his disciples said to him, Lord, teach us to pray, even as John also taught his disciples*. Next Sunday, I will talk about the spiritual gifts. The spiritual gifts are not for perfection of the Church but for the edification of the faithful. Read 1 Co.12 at home, within the week! You see? Even the five ministries of Ephesians 4:11 have the mission of maintaining the faith of the Church while waiting for a prophet-messenger. Only does a messenger introduce the Church into another phase. Never a pastor, an apostle, a doctor or whatever else! Each period or stage of Old or New Testament was introduced by a prophet-messenger: the departure out of Egypt, the entry into Canaan up to the advent of the Messiah were marked by prophet-messengers: Moses, Joshua, Samuel, Jeremiah, Habakkuk, Haggai, Zephaniah Hosea, Ezekiel... and I tell you that from Jesus-Christ, several prophets were sent to the nations but they were not mentioned. You see? To introduce the humanity into Christianity, it was a messenger, John the Baptist who did that. To betroth Christ to the Church, that required Paul, a messenger to do it. For the justification... for the sanctification... to introduce the Church into one age... for the opening of the seals... for the midnight Cry ... for the cock-crow ... it is not the Bible, yet complete but a messenger! And I told you that at the hour of the rapture of the Bride, there will be a prophet-messenger on the earth.

Well, you see? ... Here and every place I travelled to, this question was put each time: *Brother Philip how should we pray?* And I have decided to preach on this subject and then have a session of questions-answers if possible. Well, you see? These are, in Luke 11, Jews, sons of Abraham, brought up in accordance with the law and the prophets, who ask the Lord Jesus, their Master to teach them to pray. But before that, Moses had taught them to pray, the prophets had taught them to pray, and John the Baptist had previously taught the prayer to his disciples. It is the elevation of the revelation that ordered that each time, you see? How can some Jews ask how to pray while several examples of prayers and the Psalms were already contained in the Old Testament? It was humility and the scope of the revelation of their time that put them into that state and it was necessary to be a son of God to accept that. The proud had nothing to learn and their prayers also did not follow the divine pattern and through that God saw that they were the rebels who had rejected their time's Message. For if you pray according to the past Message, God knows it and Satan also knows it and God having moved away, Satan takes His place behind there and claims also all the last attributes of God. For example: the ministry of Rick Joyner is called: *Morning Star Ministry* that is to say the ministry of the bright and morning star but we know that at the beginning of the Church, Jesus-Christ was the bright and morning Star. But a mere demon of whom Rick Joyner is the mouthpiece is called so and you all know by this Message that the demons are called Jesus-Christ and the fetish priests are called prophets. Thus, we are obliged to bring much more precise details than our predecessors. But actually, the disciples of John and later those of the Lord were troubled by the new things that they were hearing in such a way that they no longer knew how to pray, some others barely prayed! Jesus told them that all they were making the will of the devil and their rabbis were serpents. And thus when one learns that he has spent so many years doing the will of the devil, what proves that by praying in the same manner, it is not the same devil that he is calling on? The sole solution, it is Luke 11:1: "*Lord, teach us to pray, even as John also taught his disciples.*" But what the disciples forgot, it was the fact that they had now changed Master and they had passed from darkness to the Light and henceforth, the fact that they had left Satan, the prince of darkness to follow Jesus-Christ, the Light of the world, their prayers were directly received [*Ed: the congregation says: Amen!*].

Well, when John came and started telling them that the pharisees had the devil for god and they were praying the devil, the disciples thought that, if praying Jehovah of hosts that Moses had taught them somebody tells them that it was the devil they prayed and it was the will of the devil they did, then there must be a special manner of praying. See what Jesus said: "*I speak what I have seen with my Father, and ye then do what ye have seen with your father.*" (John 8:38). However, what they know of, it was

Moses who prescribed all that they do. But actually that was not so apart from what their Message had already prescribed. You see? Brethren that is not so, you are no longer on the other side!

The answer henceforth no longer depended on the appearance of the beautiful prayer. Yet if they had to pray the way they used to do, they could never equal the pharisees. And if today we had to pray the way we are accustomed to doing it, we would never equal the protestant and evangelical churches. They can pray continuously all the night, they can make a forty-day fast every year and now they go up to seventy days fasting. They are gladiators, Goliaths of this century. And by the spirit of the prophets of Baal, all their prayer is a repetition of fire and blood on their bullocks, that is, their faithful. They stand there and shout by Baal: "*the fire of the holy spirit, fire, fire, I call fire down, fire, fire, fire, fire!...*" like their great grandfathers whom the prophet Elijah had slaughtered in 1Kings 18:25-40. [Ed: *the congregation says: Amen!*].

Well, the Bible says that several pharisees and sadducees, certainly pious, came to the baptism of John and thus became his disciples. It was especially they who were troubled by the teachings of John and who asked to be taught on the way they should pray. But why did these disciples ask especially to be taught on the prayer? It was because they had received a new Message which called their practices and their old beliefs into question. And thus, entering into themselves, they found that they should be taught on several things among which the prayer. They had henceforth understood that him that they invoked as Jehovah who brought them out of Egypt was Satan! You see? The pharisee evangelical books and others were called books of magic arts and were burnt according to Acts 19:19. Yet it was through those books that the rabbis had taught them to pray. As you can see it today and the only thing that remained to them was to ask humbly to be taught to pray and that is what they did. That showed that they had grasped the depth of the Message of their time.

Well, let me also say that the prayer is not a recitation of Matth.6:9-11 or Psalms. You see? I do not want to say that catholics can continue their recitation of: "*hail Mary...*" or *the creed of the apostles...* and methodists the *Our Father...* and evangelicals: "*fire, fire, fire, fire, fire, I call fire down ...*" Do not say: "*Brother Philip says that we do not need to change our manner of praying*". All you caught up from the churches forget them! What you do not see in the Bible, do not do it! Did you see that, to drive a demon out, somebody called fire down? You see? It is a mystical practice of exorcism in the East, it is an incantation. The Lord Jesus delivered some paralytic, epileptics, madmen and show me only one verse where he called fire down! When God uses fire, it is to consume! We can see that in Genesis with Sodom and Gomorrah, we can see that with Elijah in 1Kings 18:25-40 before the prophets of Baal and in 2 Kings 1:9-12 on fifties of King Ahaziah.

They are mystical, occult and spiritualist practices. And now all the churches have ranked themselves as mystical orders. The use of the Bible by mystical orders is based on the recitation of the psalms. And the Louis Segond and King James bibles are favourable to these practices. And today if you have got a Louis Segond bible in your home, it is a canary of fetishes that you have got in your house! That is right!

But the prayer must necessarily be an inspiration, that is why it requires first: either songs of meditation, or meditation of the psalms. There are psalms appropriate to each circumstance. A prayer cannot reach God unless we live it, that is, being in the atmosphere of what we are saying as we can see it in 1 Samuel chapter 1 with Anna. Matth.6:9-11 is just the prayer plan.

Thus, before starting the prayer, we must be in spirit and the proof that we are in spirit is that we do not want to stop praying and the words and subjects come by themselves and we speed up independently of our will with the help and the grace of God. The first part of the prayer consists in glorifying, magnifying and praising our God also with the names and attributes of the hour. And Pro.28:9 says that if somebody turns away his ear from hearing the prophetic Message of his time, even his prayer is an abomination. In the days of Moses it was: "*He that turneth away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer is an abomination.*" (Pro.28:9). You see? If a woman is not subjected to her husband, even her prayer is an abomination. If somebody rejects the midnight Cry, even his prayer is an abomination. What does this mean? If somebody is a branhamist, catholic, protestant or evangelical, even his prayer is an abomination. If somebody's name is T.L. Osborn or Ewald Frank even his prayer is an abomination. When you have rejected the Message of your time, even your prayer is an abomination. [Ed: *the congregation says: Amen!*].

And all that confirms that our prayer is approved of God because we have received the Message of our time. Thus, when we say: *Jesus-Christ*, that shows by itself that it is question of the same Jesus-Christ Paul preached whereas if a branhamist, assembly of gods, methodist or baptist say *Jesus-Christ*, Satan knows that it is him that he means. You can cite: God of Abraham, Isaac and Israel... but if you have rejected Jesus-Christ Living through the Message of your time, only Satan can answer you. Now notice this: if you have accepted the Message of your time, no matter your being illiterate or not, the True Jesus-Christ sees himself through your prayer. You see? If a fetish priest, catholic, branhamist, protestant or evangelical prays and says: "*Almighty God, Creator of the heaven and the earth, bless this ceremony and send your power, your Holy Spirit down upon me!*", and that an anointing seizes him to operate miracles and healings, IT IS THE DEVIL! [Ed: *the congregation says: Amen!* "]. All that interests us, it is that they are fetish priests. The canary is called Louis Segond and formerly the talismans were tied around the loins but now that is carried under the name of rosary and the *Nansidji* [Ed: *water consecrated by fetish priests*] is called: *holy water*. You see? Thus, whatever the prayer of a branhamist, catholic, protestant or evangelical, it is the devil who will work. If some branhamists who have rejected the midnight Cry say: "*Glory to God! yesterday, we saw the Pillar of fire upon our pastor or an angel came to strengthen us in our assembly and we took photograph of it!*" Then that angel is Lucifer.

Observe now the mystery of Luke 11:1-4, the disciples ask to be taught on the prayer and we see that they are not given a special answer. What the Lord said, any rabbi [priest or Jewish pastor] could teach better in his synagogue. The mystery is rather in the acceptance of their time's Message otherwise Jesus would have taught it to them before they could ask Him to, given the

necessity of the prayer in faith. Today, they are tons of books about the prayer but I tell you that if you have believed the Message of your time and you are baptised in it, you speak and that is enough as the Lord Himself did.

Thus, I would like to say also that it is not at the time of the prayer that we must seek to be in the atmosphere of the prayer because the prayer is a communion with God and every act is supposed to prepare us to that. Notice that God takes birds as an example of worshippers on the earth like the angels in the heaven because these ones are constantly praising God and I believe that it is for this reason also that David was cited as the man after God's heart. Throughout the psalms, the reign and life of David, no man was found to have worshipped God like David, the son of Jesse. And I think that a good sister should not lack praises in her mouth. Sisters, that embellishes you more, that is wonderful!

And you will also notice that if you are in Spirit to start with, you will be inspired to magnify God and the subjects of prayer will come up by themselves. We have got to the stage at which we should no longer interrupt prayers on Sunday mornings...And if you are used to singing praises to God while you are singing these praises, you will be inspired to pray and magnify God and to express your gratitude for His benefits. What interests me, it is that you magnify God! Express your gratitude for all He has done and is still doing in the visible and invisible after which ask for all that you want. And I would like to ask you to pray specially for me, for all those who stand before you for the responsibilities and for all the saints as Epaphras was mentioned in Col.4:12. If you feel lazy at praying for yourselves then pray for us.

Do not throw guilt on yourselves any longer by believing that there must be a special prayer to make, there is none! Even if you do not say "*God of Kacou Philip*", believe that your prayer is right because you have accepted the Message of your time. Observe the prayers of the Lord Himself and you will see that there is no mystery. When He prays, He simply says "*Father*" while he himself says that Satan also is *father*. See the prayer of John 12:27-28: "*Now is my soul troubled, and what shall I say? Father, save me from this hour. But on account of this have I come to this hour. Father, glorify thy name. There came therefore a voice out of heaven, I both have glorified and will glorify it again.*" And we know that if it was a branhamist, catholic or evangelical who had prayed, the *father* he is talking of the devil and the voice out of heaven is that of a fallen angel. Even if he says he addresses himself sincerely to God. It is the same for Salvation. The first thing of all, it is to believe the Message of your time and to stand firm before temptations without murmuring and losing heart. What did the thief on the cross do? Some seventy-day fasts? No! But he accepted the only Truth of his time. What did Cornelius do? In addition to his great alms, he should accept the only Truth of his time. And when you did it, your prayer is directly received if your life is only worthy of the Message. You see? You can raise the same prayer as a baptist but your two prayers will have different orientations. That is simply it. And may God bless you!

Next Sunday, I will talk about the spiritual gifts but know one thing: since everyone has repented for his former beliefs, his spirits and practices, if a spiritual gift operates here, do not see the devil through it. We believe that the Holy Spirit manifests the nine gifts of 1 Co.12, the Holy Spirit gives dreams and visions. We must know that everything takes place under the eyes of the Angel of April 24,1993, the Faithful and True who has brought this Message according to the promise of Matth.25:6 and Rev.12:14.

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