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It is a very common prayer these days among God's people everywhere, go to any part of India or any part of the earth and you find among the believers the common prayer: "Lord, send a revival."

We are all conscious that something has gone wrong. Something is missing. The Lord gave me this message.

The biggest need today is learning how to pray in the mind of God.

Many people today spend hours in activity, they can sing beautifully, they can preach, they can do many hard things but they cannot find time to pray, they find it hard to pray long enough.

This is the first thing we must learn as gospel vessels.

The Lord Jesus Christ did not begin his ministry without prayer. We see this in Luke 3:21.

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Now when all the people were baptized, it came to pass, that Jesus also being baptized, and praying, the heaven was opened.

You notice, "and praying."

Until that day the Lord Jesus had not performed even a single miracle.

John the Baptist says in John 1:33:

John 1:33

And I knew him not: but he that sent me to baptize with water, the same said unto me, Upon whom thou shalt see the Spirit descending, and remaining on him, the same is he which baptizeth with the Holy Ghost.

Even John the Baptist did not know who He was until then.

The Lord Jesus Christ until that day had not given a single message.

He began by prayer.

He came in the world and learned how to pray to see the heavens opened.

When Jesus prayed, 3 things happened.

We see this in Luke 3:21, 22.

The heavens were opened.

Secondly, the Holy Spirit came.

Thirdly the Voice came.

That should be our daily experience.

He wants to do a new work in our midst and around the world, let us learn how to pray.

We read about Hannah, she was a very honoured woman, a very God-fearing woman.

God, for a purpose kept her from having a child.

God can never make a mistake.

Whatsoever God does, He does it for a purpose.

His ways are past finding out. His ways are higher than our ways.

Isaiah 55:8

For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither your ways my ways, saith the LORD.

At the same time we also know, as for God, His ways are perfect.

Psalm 18:30

As for God, his way is perfect: the word of the LORD is tried: he is a buckler to all those that trust in him.

His way is perfect. And verse 32.

Psalm 18:32

It is God that girdeth me with strength, and maketh my way perfect.

And he makes my way perfect.

Whatsoever happens in our lifetime by a loving Saviour happens to bring us into His perfect will.

And for that purpose God had kept Hannah waiting for a child, to bring her in His perfect way as His co-worker.

She prayed earnestly.

O Lord, take away my reproach.

Take away my barrenness.

Have mercy upon me.

The Lord was not punishing her.

The Lord was bringing her into a partnership.

Nowhere in the Bible do we read angels are called God's co-workers.

From Genesis to Revelation you will not come across a single verse.

They are mighty angels.

Psalm 103:20

Bless the LORD, ye his angels, that excel in strength, that do his commandments, hearkening unto the voice of his word

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They hearken unto His Voice.

Yet they are never called God's co-workers.

They remain our ministering spirits.

Hebrews 1:13, 14

But to which of the angels said he at any time, Sit on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool?
Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?

The angels are our ministering servants, taking care of us, serving us, the mystery.

God was bringing Hannah into a partnership with Himself.

Hannah thought in the beginning her own need was very great. She wept and prayed.

God was saying, Hannah, how about My need? I also want something.

Mighty God, the Great God, His ways are past finding out.

You and me, weak people, we are His need.

God wanted a vessel.

In those days there was great spiritual darkness.

A lot of sin in the house of God.

God's glory was being robbed.

By servants of the high priest.

Many people came eagerly from many far places and brought their sacrifices to be offered in the house of God.

There were these servants, the sons of Eli, going about with their fleshhooks. We see this in
1 Samuel 2:12-16.

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Now the sons of Eli were sons of Belial; they knew not the LORD.

And the priests' custom with the people was, that, when any man offered sacrifice, the priest's servant came, while the flesh was in seething, with a fleshhook of three teeth in his hand; And he struck it into the pan, or kettle, or caldron, or pot; all that the fleshhook brought up the priest took for himself. So they did in Shiloh unto all the Israelites that came thither. Also before they burnt the fat, the priest's servant came, and said to the man that sacrificed, Give flesh to roast for the priest; for he will not have sodden flesh of thee, but raw. And if any man said unto him, Let them not fail to burn the fat presently, and then take as much as thy soul desireth; then he would answer him, Nay, but thou shalt give it me now: and if not, I will take it by force.

This was happening in the house of God.

Robbing God of His portion.

What a sin.

The same thing is happening today among God's servants in God's house.

The love for money, love for power, love for fame and name.

These are the three great fleshhook teeth today among God's people and God's servants.

Doing much for money's sake, never satisfied.

Telling false stories for more money.

What a shame. Making God a beggar.

God is not a beggar.

The Living God, the Mighty God who says open thy mouth wide, I will fill it.

Psalm 81:10

I am the LORD thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt: open thy mouth wide, and I will fill it.

God will fill it.

God told me in the beginning, I thank God for the message, "never tell any human being about your personal need of any kind."

He has met every need. The Living Saviour.

The glory of God departs when sin comes into the house of God.

1 Samuel 2:22

Now Eli was very old, and heard all that his sons did unto all Israel; and how they lay with the women that assembled at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

Sin entering the house of God, it is happening today.

Go to many Bible schools in America, Bible colleges and see how they behave there among themselves.

I have seen them behaving shamefully
and there is no sense of shame.

O what a spiritual barrenness we are coming to.

Our Lord is our standard of Christianity.

God is so long-suffering. He is so patient. He is so loving and kind, so faithful, so gracious, He waits, and He waits, and He waits but we don't repent, He must punish.

1 Samuel 4:21

And she named the child Ichabod, saying, The glory is departed from Israel.

The glory departed.

What a sad condition of God's people.

We see this today.

Beautiful buildings, pastors have many degrees but inside, singing with no joy, earthy sermons, no message, people come empty and go empty.

The glory departed.

But God has a purpose, it must come to pass.

Malachi 3:6

For I am the LORD, I change not.

The Lord does not change. What He has purposes must come to pass.

What Adam lost through disobedience Christ recovers through obedience.

That's why God came, to recover.

And He wants you and me to be his co-workers with Him in that recovery.

He has not given that privilege to the angels, only to you and me.

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