Sermon:
Praying always, Do Not Lose
Heart

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讀經: 路加福音 Luke 18:1-8

- · 18:1 耶穌設一個比喻、是要人常常禱告、不可灰心·
- 18:2 說、某城裡有一個官、不懼怕一神、也不尊重世人。
- · 18:3 那城裡有個寡婦、常到他那裡、說、我有一個對頭、求你給我伸冤。
- · 18:4 他 多 日 不 准 · 後 來 心 裡 說 、 我 雖 不 懼 怕 神 、 也 不 尊 重 世 人 ·
- · 18:5 只因這寡婦煩擾我、我就給他伸冤罷·免得他常來纏磨我。
- 18:6 主說、你們聽這不義之官所說的話。
- 18:7 神的選民、晝夜呼籲他、他縱然為他們忍了多時、豈不終久給他們伸冤麼。
- 18:8 我告訴你們、要快快的給他們伸冤了·然而人子來的時候、遇得見世上有信德麼。

一. 為何我們不常常濤告 Why shouldn't we praying always

- · A. 覺得不需要, 覺得禱告沒有用。沒其他辦法才禱告。
- Feel like it is unnecessary to pray. Use it as the last resort.
- ·應該should be: 禱告在做事前, 先禱告才有最好辦法。

- B. 覺得要<u>靠自己</u>, 神有更大的事處理, 自己事要靠自己。
- Feel like must depend on myself.Benjaman Frankly, "God helps those who helps themselves.
- ·應該Should be: 與神同工。 We do our best, God do the rest.

- ·C. 覺得神 <u>沒聽見,沒有結果</u>。Feel like God did not listen. No result.
- ·應該 Should be: 神每一個禱告都聽見了。但給的答案是: 綠燈, 黃燈, 紅燈。神給的是最好的.
- God hears every prayer. Yet He has three optional answers: Green light, Yellow light, Red light. What God gives us is always the best.

二. 為甚麼我們應當常常禱告: Why should we always praying?

- 1. 神的吩咐 God's Command:
- 2. 神的屬性 God's Attributes:
- · 3. 神的應許 God's Promise:
- 4. 神與我的關係 God's Relationship with us:

1. 神的吩咐 God's Command:

- 路加福音 Luke 18:1
- · 18:1 耶穌設一個比喻、是要人常常禱告、不可灰心·
- they should always pray and not give up.
- ・ 腓立比書 Philippians 4:6-7
- 應當一無掛慮,只要凡事藉著禱告、祈求和感謝,將你們所要的告訴上帝。上帝所賜那超越人所能了解的平安,必在基督耶穌裏,保守你們的心懷意念。
- Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

神的屬性 God's Attributes:

- · 神是 God is:
- 1. 慈愛的 Love:
- 2. 公義的 Righteous:
- 3. 信實的 Faithful:
- 4. 憐憫的 Merciful:
- 5. 慷慨的 Generous:
- "厚賜與眾人 又 不斥責人的" (雅各書 James 1:5)
- ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault

3. 神的應許 God's Promise:

- ·神的應許藉著禱告成就 God promise us through prayers:
- ·"你們祈求就給你們,尋找就尋見,叩門就給你們開門"(馬太 Matthew 7:7)
- 7 "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you"

4. 神與我的關係 God's Relationship with us:

- •問題:神是全知的,祂已經知道我的需要,我還禱告做甚麼?
- Since God has already known my needs, why should I pray?
- 答:通過禱告,我們與神建立更深厚的關係。我們禱告不是要改變神,而是要被神改變,使自己更像耶穌基督
- God knows everything, yet I still need to pray. So that I can build up a deeper relationship with Him through prayers. It is not that I change God through prayers; but through prayers God changes me into the likeness of Christ Jesus.

三. 我們要如何常常禱告? How should we pray always?

- · A. Prayer Meeting
- 禱告會
- · B. Revival Prayer Group (RPG Group)
- 復興禱告小組
- · C. Adoration to Jesus
- 敬拜讚美
- D. Yearn for Devotion
- 渴慕靈修