# (V) the Gathering

CONNECTING HEARTS WITH THE HEART OF GOD

10 Day Fasting Prayer Focus

Sanctification, A Strategic Offense, Revelation of God

# Days 1 - 3

#### Sanctification and Holiness

Sanctification is a process that lasts our entire life - we are never perfected in our sanctification on earth, our perfection only comes when we enter into glory.

Sanctification is becoming more Christlike - choosing God in all situations.

As we tell the children everything is a choice - remember to choose God - He is the one jumping up and down in the back saying, "pick Me pick Me."

Sanctification - being set apart from sin - 1Thessalonians 4:3-7 AMP

"For you know what commandments and precepts we gave you by the authority of the Lord Jesus. For this is the will of God, that you be sanctified [separated and set apart from sin]: that you abstain and back away from sexual immorality;

that each of you know how to control his own body in holiness and honor [being available for God's purpose and separated from things profane], not [to be used] in lustful passion, like the Gentiles who do not know God and are ignorant of His will; and that [in this matter of sexual misconduct] no man shall transgress and defraud his brother because the Lord is the avenger in all these things, just as we have told you before and solemnly warned you.

For God has not called us to impurity, but to holiness [to be dedicated, and set apart by behavior that pleases Him, whether in public or in private]."

may come to their senses and escape from the trap of the devil, having been held captive by him to do his will." 2
Timothy 2:25-26

## To sum it up we are to:

- Back away from sexual immorality
- Control your bodies in holiness
- Be available for God's purpose
- Be separated from things profane (irreverent, disrespectful, sacrilegious)
- Recognize we are called to be dedicated (devoted, enthusiastic) to God
- Recognize we are to be set apart from the world
- Conduct ourselves with behavior that pleases Him

# We do this by:

- Repenting come back to thinking the way God does Isaiah
   55:9
- Knowing God's Word is key John 17:17
- Storing up His Word in our heart that we might not sin against Him *Psalm 119:11*
- Look to Holy Spirit to empower you 1Thessalonians 4:8
- Draw near to Him, know He is praying you through *Hebrews* 7:25

"He must correct those who are in opposition with courtesy and gentleness in the hope that God may grant that they will repent and be led to the knowledge of the truth [accurately understanding and welcoming it], and that they

Acknowledging our sin, becoming sorrowful leads to repentance

"For [godly] sorrow that is in accord with the will of God produces a repentance without regret, leading to salvation; but worldly sorrow [the hopeless sorrow of those who do not believe] produces death."

2 Corinthians 7:8-10

Confession - from Psalm 51

Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your lovingkindness;
According to the greatness of Your compassion blot out my transgressions.
Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness and guilt And cleanse me from my sin.

For I am conscious of my transgressions and I acknowledge them; My sin is always before me.

Against You, You only, have I sinned And done that which is evil in Your sight,

So that You are justified when You speak [Your sentence] And faultless in Your judgment.

Behold, You desire truth in the innermost being,

And in the hidden part [of my heart] You will make me know wisdom.

Purify me with hyssop, and I will be clean;
Wash me, and I will be whiter than snow.
Hide Your face from my sins
And blot out all my iniquities.
Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right and steadfast spirit within me.

Do not cast me away from Your presence And do not take Your Holy Spirit from me.

My [only] sacrifice [acceptable] to you God is a broken spirit; A broken and contrite heart [broken with sorrow for sin, thoroughly penitent], such, O God, You will not despise.

Holiness -

The purpose of living a holy life is to glorify God and display His nature to those around us - *Matthew 5:16*.

To do this you must understand God's holiness is absolute perfection in all things. He is completely absent of even a trace of sin.

"In God there is no darkness at all." - 1 John 1:5

Holiness is who God is, and everything about Him is holy.

His mercy is holy mercy, His wrath is holy wrath, His love is holy love.

He is high above any other.

The eternal purpose of God in Christ is for us to be holy. - Leviticus 11:45

This holiness is about unity with God - sharing in Christ's holiness.

Knowing God's Word and obeying helps to cultivate a lifestyle of holiness, which is why He commands us to cleanse ourselves from the defilement of sin. - 2Corinthians 7:1

Holiness is not perfection, it is to be distinct from the world. - 1 Peter 2:9

Holiness includes daily confessing and forsaking sin. - *Hebrews* 12:1-3

We are to conformed into the image of His Son, Jesus - *Romans* 8:29

We should be increasing in spiritual fruitfulness every day.

And if we should sin, when we repent, because we have an advocate,

"...there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus."

Romans 8:1

Ask God to reveal areas of your life that need repentance then make the following declaration.

Declare

I am a child of the living God

A child of God and a joint heir with Jesus Christ

I am a new creation in Him and old things have passed away

All things have become new in my spirit man

I am a chosen generation a royal priesthood a holy nation

I am not under any guilt or condemnation

There is no condemnation for me because I am in Him

The Law of the Spirit of Life from Christ Jesus has set me free from the law of sin and death

I do not listen to satan's accusations because he is a liar and the father of lies

I gird up my loins with truth

Sin does not have dominion over me

I am an overcomer because of the Blood of Jesus and because of the word of my testimony

And no weapon formed against me shall prosper, and I confute every tongue that rises up against me in judgement

My mind is renewed by the Word of God

Greater is He that is in me than he that is in the world

And I know the truth and the truth sets me free, and because Christ has set me free I am free indeed!

I abide in the kingdom of God

And for this purpose, Christ came into the world to destroy the works of the evil one

The enemy flees from me in terror because the Lord lives mightily in me

And I give the devil no opportunity

I give no place for fear in my life because God has not given me a spirit of fear but of life, love of power and sound mind

Terror shall not come near me cause the Lord is the strength of my life

and He always causes me to triumph in Christ Jesus \*

From Decree by Patricia King

Days 4 - 6

Seeking a Strategic offense from heaven through prayer and fasting

"It is basic military doctrine that you cannot defeat an enemy you do not see. Seeing the enemy implies understanding him. Just as the most effective military leaders are those who learn the ways of their adversaries so they can counter them, we are commanded not to be ignorant of the enemy's schemes." Rick Joyner

"to keep Satan from taking advantage of us; for we are not ignorant of his schemes."

2Corinthians 10:11

The devil is not omnipresent, nor is he omniscient, he cannot read our minds and we have all power and authority over him.

"Little children, you are of God [you belong to Him] and have [already] defeated and overcome them [the agents of the antichrist], because He Who lives in you is greater (mightier) than he who is in the world."

1 John 4:4

We must know his schemes, understand his battle tactics, know his weaknesses and his strengths. We must know what he looks like, and how he disguises himself.

"And the Lord gave me [Jeremiah] knowledge of it [their plot], and I knew it; then You [O Lord] showed me their doings."

Jeremiah 11:18

"He reveals deep and hidden things; he knows what lies in darkness, and light dwells with him." Daniel 2:22

# From Doug Addison

"The Lord said "I am now revealing the plans of Satan that were previously hidden in darkness."

Satan often counterfeits the things of God. Because each of us has a Book of Life (*Psalm 139:16*) it makes sense that there are also books that contain the plans of the enemy.

I had a vision in the night, and I was shown a very large book that contained the things that Satan had against me. I also saw that there were books describing the enemy's plans against many people that are now being revealed.

In the vision, the book of satan's plans against me was very large. I was not able to read the details because the pages were blurred. I felt the justice of God rise up in me during this encounter as I entered the Courtroom of Heaven and pleaded my case.

I asked the Lord to show me what satan has against me and why it seems as though these things are not covered under the blood of Jesus. It is an injustice and violation of what is written in the Bible for me and for people everywhere—

As I was pleading for justice in the Courtroom of Heaven, the Lord said, "I am now revealing the plans of satan that were previously hidden in darkness.""

Ask God to reveal how satan is coming against:

- you and your family, your relationships
- your employment, your businesses

- your health
- your church family
- your city
- America

Write down all your impressions even if they don't make sense and then ask God to give you understanding - if you need help, you can submit a connection form with any questions or comments.

#### Wisdom

Your heavenly Father has given you a spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Christ. He pours out his wisdom upon you and makes his words of wisdom known to you.

If you ever lack wisdom you simply ask for it in faith and it is given to you in generous measure.

This is heavenly wisdom that is first pure, then peaceable, gentle easily entreated, and full of mercy and good fruit, it is unwavering, and without hypocrisy.

Your ear is attentive to wisdom and you incline your heart to understanding.

You seek for wisdom as for silver and you search for it as hidden treasure and when you do this you discern the fear of the Lord and discover the knowledge of God.

Wisdom enters your heart and knowledge is pleasant to your soul; discretion guards you and understanding watches over you to deliver you from the evil way.

Because you love wisdom all your paths are peace and pleasant and with wisdom the opening of your mouth will produce right things; your mouth utters truth and all the utterances of your mouth are in righteousness because you walk in the walk of wisdom.

You are filled with the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Jesus Christ.

I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. Ephesians 1:17

## Day 7

#### Revelation

"I pray that the light of God will illuminate the eyes of your imagination, flooding you with light, until you experience the full revelation of the hope of his calling—that is, the wealth of God's glorious inheritances that he finds in us, his holy ones!

19 I pray that you will continually experience the immeasurable greatness of God's power made available to you through faith. Then your lives will be an advertisement of this immense power as it works through you!

# This is the mighty power" Ephesian 1:18,19 TPT

Revelation means to lift up the veil. It uncovers what already exists. Just because we do not see it, doesn't mean it is nonexistent, it just means we need our spiritual eyes, our heart eyes to be open.

Faith is anchored in the unseen What we see is an outranked reality If you turn your perspective you will see what is already in the room

"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth;" John 16:12 ESV

"But God has revealed them to us through His Spirit. For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God." 1Corinthians 2:10 AKJV

God does not hide the truth from us. He hides it for us.

"It is the glory of God to conceal a matter, But the glory of kings is to search out a matter." Proverbs 25:2 NASB

It is a willingness to seek even when there is a chance the answer stays a mystery. The reason for this is because mystery is just as important as the revelation. We must be willing to

accept the mystery and not get pulled off balance. Accepting it just as we would accept the revelation.

And in learning to accept mystery we must not create explanation for what we do not see God doing.

Revelation comes to bring personal transformation and expand the realm where our faith can be exercised.

Scripture shows us there is a foundation to attract greater revelation.

- 1. Treasure what we have been shown. You are not double minded, but you accept what God is revealing
- 2. Obedience obey what we know *Luke 10:25-28* Jesus was not going to give the man more revelation until he was obedient to what he was told. Obedience is what demonstrates to God that you are ready to go to the next step

Is there something you have not been obedient in?

Take steps to correct the disobedience.

- 3. Intimacy with God
  - Establish a place where you meet with God daily
  - Spend time with God Enoch walked with God timehonored fellowship
  - "Enoch walked with God; and he was not, for God took him." Genesis 5:24 ESV

- Worship God inhabits the praises of His people -Psalm 22:3 WEB
- Develop passion "You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart." Jeremiah 29:13 NIV
- Ask for the favor of God to know Him- more hungermore thirst - God reveal Yourself to me
- Know His ways and be willing to surrender
- "He made known his ways to Moses, his deeds to the people of Israel:" Psalm 103:7NIV
- He did it for Moses He will do it for you.
- Intimacy into me see allow God to see deep within you.

Sitting at Your feet is where I want to be I'm home when I am here with You Ruined by Your grace, enamored by Your gaze I can't resist the tenderness in You

I'm deep in love with You, Abba Father I'm deep in love with You, Lord My heart, it beats for You, precious Jesus I'm deep in love with You Lord

Humbled and amazed that You would call my name I never have to search again There's a deep desire that's burning like a fire To know You as my closest friend

Lord, my redeemer, Your blood runs through my veins My love for You is deeper than it was yesterday I enter through the curtain, parted by Your grace Oh, Your the lover of my soul Deep In Love With You, Michael W Smith

#### Day 8

#### Revelation of God

The word Revelation, is expressed in biblical Hebrew as the manifestation of the invisible God, unknowable to man on his own. It originates from the word nif al of the verb ra'ah (to see) and yada (to know), this is the widespread understanding of revelation.

However, there is another meaning of nif al when used with the verb galah (which means to uncover, reveal). It is used only a few times, and signifies divine revelation; the act whereby the hidden unknown God shows Himself to man through signs, wonders, dreams, visions, theophanies, prophets and the written Word.\* This is the revelation we are asking for.

"There he built an altar [to worship the Lord], and called the place El-bethel (God of the House of God), because there God had revealed Himself to him when he escaped from his brother." Genesis 35:7 AMP

"Then a man of God came to Eli and said to him,
"Thus says the Lord:
'Did I not clearly reveal Myself to the house of your father
when they were in Egypt in Pharaoh's house?""

1Samuel 2:27 BSB

"The LORD continued to appear at Shiloh, and there he revealed himself to Samuel through his word." 1 Samuel 3:21 NIV

"Open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in your law"
Psalm 119:18 NIV

Make your ear attentive to wisdom, Incline your heart to understanding;

Proverbs 2:2 NASB

Let me be as Job that I might say:

I have heard of You by hearing of the ear, But now my eye sees You Job 42:5 ESV

All He is, is available to you... He wants to be known by you

He wants us to reach out to Him... He is with you...

"...Christ lives in me..."

Galatians 2:20 NIV

Express your desire to connect with God

Breathe in His breath

Release your heart to beat in the rhythm of His Speak of His holiness, His love, His beauty

"The Lord reigns: Let the earth rejoice; Let the multitude of isles be glad! Clouds and darkness surround Him: Righteousness and justice are the foundation of His throne. A fire goes before Him, And burns up His enemies round about. His lightnings light the world; The earth sees and trembles. The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the Lord, At the presence of the Lord of the whole earth. The heavens declare His righteousness, And all the peoples see His glory." Psalm 97:1-6 NKJV "Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations,

I will be exalted in the earth!"

Psalm 46:10 NK.JV

Selah

\*from the Jewish Virtual Library

Day 9

Revelation of God

"Focus on Me.
Stay connected so that I might bring you into
My purposes for this season.
If you stay connected to Me you will grow
in spiritual gifting and understanding! It is time"
April 8, 2019, The Trumpet, Bill Burns

When we consider God in everything we do and say, it establishes a sweet communion with the Lord filling us with faith to handle anything.

When we understand His great love for us it makes it easier for us to consider Him in all aspects of our life because we have comprehended that His desire for us is His best.

Keep the eyes of your heart on Him "Keep your heart with all diligence, for out of it is the wellspring of life."

Proverbs 4:23 WFB

Oh, that God would give us new eyes to see His affection, His yearning for us.

Remember God's love song.

# The Bridegroom-King

Arise, my dearest. Hurry, my darling. Come away with me! I have come as you have asked to draw you to my heart and lead you out.

For now is the time, my beautiful one.

The season has changed,
the bondage of your barren winter has ended,
and the season of hiding is over and gone.

The rains have soaked the earth and left it bright with
blossoming flowers.

The season for singing and pruning the vines has arrived I hear the cooing of doves in our land, filling the air with songs to awaken you and guide you forth.

Can you not discern this new day of destiny breaking forth around you?

The early signs of my purposes and plans are bursting forth.
The budding vines of new life are now blooming everywhere.
The fragrance of their flowers' whispers,
"There is change in the air."
Arise, my love, my beautiful companion,
and run with me to the higher place.
For now is the time to arise and come away with me.
Song of Solomon 2:10-13

Ask Him to reveal His love for you Begin to say short phrases expressing your heart; "I love you Lord," "I am yours Lord," "Oh God how I love you."

Then...

"Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so he may run who reads it.

For still the vision awaits its appointed time; it hastens to the end—it will not lie.

If it seems slow, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay.

Habakkuk 2:2-3

**Day 10** 

#### Revelation

We are friends of God. Jesus tells us all that He has learned from the Father.

"You are My friends if you do whatever I command you.

No longer do I call you servants, for a servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all things that I heard from My Father I have made known to you." John 15:14-15

God has prepared the deep things of God for those who love Him and the Spirit will reveal all things, yes, the deep things of God. Job 11:10

"Eye has not seen, nor ear heard,
Nor have entered into the heart of man
The things which God has prepared for those who love Him."
But God has revealed them to us through His Spirit. For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God. For what man knows the things of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him? Even so no one knows the things of God except the Spirit of God. Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God.

1 Corinthians 2:9-12 NKJV

Deep things become known by...

 Hiding the Word in your heart - Meditation - fill it with the living Word

"And on His law [His precepts and teachings] he [habitually] meditates day and night.

Psalms 1:2

Live by faith in the Word of God

for we walk by faith, not by sight
[living our lives in a manner consistent with our confident
belief in God's promises]
2 Corinthians 5:7 NIV

Immediate Obedience

You are my friends if you do what I command.

John 15:14 NIV

and the Scripture was fulfilled which says, "AND ABRAHAM BELIEVED GOD, AND IT WAS RECKONED TO HIM AS RIGHTEOUSNESS," and he was called the friend of God. James 2:23 NASB

And the LORD said to himself,
"I will not hide from Abraham what I am going to do.
Genesis 18:17 GNT

Giving freely what we have received

Freely you have received, freely give Matthew 10:8 NIV

God uncover my eyes, so that I may see the miraculous things in your teachings.

Your deep love - God loves past the knowledge - He so loved

Your deep mercy -

For His mercy endures forever Psalm 136:1

The depth of Your Righteousness and Judgments

Thy righteousness is like the mountains of God; Thy judgments are a great deep: Psalm 36:6 ASV

The depth of Your counsel

The counsel of the Lord stands forever, the plans of His heart from generation to generation. Psalm 33:11 AMP

The depth of Your perfect knowledge

Day after day pours forth speech, And night after night reveals knowledge. Psalm 19:4 AMP

The depth of Your might

"I am God Almighty;
Walk [habitually] before Me [with integrity,
knowing that you are always in My presence],
and be blameless and complete [in obedience to Me].
Genesis 17:1AMP

How beautiful when you have heard the revelation from heaven -when you bring the Word of God - releasing the proclamation that "Our God reigns."

How beautiful and delightful on the mountains
Are the feet of him who brings good news,
Who announces peace,
Who brings good news of good [things],
Who announces salvation,
Who says to Zion, "Your God reigns!"
Isaiah 52:7 AMP

# **Epilogue to the Prayer Focus**

"For now we see but a faint reflection of riddles and mysteries as though reflected in a mirror, but one day we will see face-to-face.

My understanding is incomplete now, but one day I will understand everything, just as everything about me has been fully understood."

1Corinthians 13:12 TPT

"Fasten me upon your heart as a seal of fire forevermore.

This living, consuming flame

Will seal you as my prisoner of love. My love is stronger than
the chains of death and the grave

All-consuming as the very flashes of fire from the burning
heart of God

Place this fierce, unrelenting fire over your entire being"

Song of Solomon 8:6 TPT

This is your invitation from Jesus. Her (the woman in Song of Solomon) journey began with longing and He awakened her

and preserves her blameless in His love. She is sealed not only for protection and passion, but also for approval, favor and ownership. She is sealed in the Holy Spirit - You are His Bride - male or female we are all one in Jesus Christ.

The fiery seal came from the time you spent in Fasting and Praying.

God's love is relentless, it holds you and never lets you go.

Jesus said:

"Live in me. Make your home in me just as I do in you...
my words are at home in you,
you can be sure that whatever you ask
will be listened to and acted upon."
From John 15:4-8 MSG

He knows you by name and then some...

"But the one whose heart is open let him listen carefully to what the Spirit is presently saying to all ...

To everyone who is victorious I will let him feast on the hidden manna and give him a shining white stone

And written upon the white stone is inscribed his new name, known only to the one who receives it."

Revelation 2:17 TPT

Your name on the stone is only known by Him. It is the kind of name that a lover privately calls another revealing something very personal and intimate.

As temples of God we carry His Presence and are priests in service unto the King.

There is no greater manifestation of the Spirit than Christ in us.

"We look away from the natural realm and we fasten our gaze onto Jesus who birthed faith within us and who leads us forward into faith's perfection.

His example is this: Because his heart was focused on the joy of knowing that you would be his, he endured the agony of the cross and conquered its humiliation, and now sits exalted at the right hand of the throne of God!"

Hebrews 12:2 TPT