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FOUNDATION FOR SUPERNATURAL LIFE

Dr. Ezekiah Francis

This is the time for the supernatural. No one can reach this world without the power of the Holy Spirit and His miracles and wonders. Human wisdom and power can never touch this world even a bit. A spirit-filled person always has a deep longing to display God's power and His wisdom to the world.

God's purpose is to manifest Himself in and through you to bring this world back to Himself. God's realm is a totally supernatural realm. When you walk with Him, you automatically walk in His revelation and power. God's manifestations are His free gifts. The Lord who lives in you is constantly endeavoring to work through you, His Body. His gifts in you are purely based on His mercies, not on your merits. Hand in hand with God, ordinary people can do extraordinary exploits.

Do you want to operate in the revelation gifts of the Spirit? Do you want to heal the suffering humanity with the power of God? Then this message comes from the heart of God straight to YOU.

In this article we will see the real foundation for a supernatural life and ministry. I can call it the back bone or the core of a real supernatural lifestyle. When you know this foundation, you will be shockingly surprised to see that the supernatural is easily reachable for you and for anybody who genuinely desires it.

Let me instill a very important truth into you at the beginning of this message. You should seek and walk with the Giver of the gifts, not just seek the mere gifts. What you need is not the healing gift but a close walk with the Healer. What you need is not the power but the great Source of all power. You need the deep fellowship of the Strengtheners, not just the strength. Likewise is the case with all the attributes and attitudes of God. If you look for holiness, you will always strive and struggle but never reach it; but if your eyes are fixed on The Holy One, you will automatically walk in holiness. I could go on and on with this list.

The Holy Spirit is stirring up my spirit to call you

into a deep walk with God. Intimate fellowship with God is key to manifesting all His abilities and power. In fact, this is the main purpose of God's call on your life. Before launching out into the supernatural ministry, Jesus selected and formed an apostolic team to be with Him and to be released for the ministry, "And He went up on the mountain and called to Him those He Himself wanted. And they came to Him. Then He appointed twelve, that they might be with Him and that He might send them out to teach and to have power to heal sicknesses and to cast out demons" (Mk.3:13-15). I like the word, He Himself WANTED! Wow! You are wanted by the God of heaven and earth. What more do you need? Maybe you are not wanted by your own people or maybe you are wanted by some and rejected by others, but you are wanted by the God of the entire universe.

It is one thing to be wanted by the president of the nation and another thing to be wanted by the beggar in the street. There is a big difference between God wanting a man and a man wanting God. Man want you for some reason. Even the love between husband and wife may vanish when they don't get what they want. However, Jesus wants you because He loves you without any expectations. He sees you as a person worthy of love. He desires your company. He enjoys your mere presence. He delights in your love and treasures the time with you.

The main reason Jesus appointed His apostles was to be with them. He wanted them to be with Him as close comrades. This is God's purpose for you, too. You are called primarily for God's fellowship. "God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord" (1.Cor.1:9). Your Father has made you one with His Son Jesus. He put you in Christ Jesus. Your spirit and His Spirit has become totally one Spirit (1.Cor.1:13; 6:17). You are Christ's Body. You are His flesh, His bone and His blood. You did nothing to attain this privilege. You became His Body by God's gracious calling. Now your Father God

wants you to thoroughly enjoy His Son thoroughly. When you walk in a love relationship with Jesus, you gladden the heart of your Father.

John the Beloved and all the apostles cherished this fellowship as the greatest treasure and boldly declared, "That which we have seen and heard, we declare to you, that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with His son Jesus Christ" (1.Jn.1:3). See the key for the supernatural ministry of early apostles!

Do you see the secret of the mighty healings done by the apostles? The shadow of Peter healed the multitudes. The apostle John was in Patmos and saw vision after vision. Paul's handkerchiefs became the hand of God. The bodies of these apostles became the power houses of God. What is the secret of their power? Their fellowship was with the Father and the son Jesus Christ. Hallelujah!

There is a difference between fellowship and relationship. You are a son to your father. You are already related to him by the blood relationship. That relationship can never change till your death. But fellowship is something that you constantly endeavor to develop with Him. It depends on how far you enjoy your daddy's company and spend time with Him. It depends upon the way you share your heart with Him and listens to His Heart's desires. This fellowship will enrich your relationship. It is just like any natural friendship. When you grieve the heart of your daddy, your fellowship will be affected. You can't enjoy His presence. You can't freely smile and laugh with Him. Your conversation with Him is limited. This is how your fellowship with God could be changed when you don't maintain a deep communication with Him. You lose the sense of His presence although He never leaves you nor forsakes you. Prayer and praise and worship don't thrill you as it they used to do. Listening the whisperings of the Spirit diminishes and your faith weakness. The result is powerlessness! No joy! No manifestations!

Yes friends, never ever allow anyone to take the place of Jesus in your life. That is the only way you can bless your friends and your relatives and the entire world. When you enjoy any other person more than Jesus, disappointment, vexation, and fruitlessness becomes unavoidable. When you walk with God intimately, you radiate the Glory of God wherever you go, and you become a channel of His blessings.

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I often used to think how the disciples were enjoying the sweet fellowship of the Savior. They were eating together, chatting together, laughing and weeping together. Imagine travelling with Jesus in the same boat!, What a joy would have thrilled the hearts of those disciples. In His presence there is fullness of joy. At His right hand there is pleasure for evermore (Ps.16:11). No doubt His disciples would have immersed in this unspeakable joy and the pleasure of His presence.

Just imagine Jesus sleeping at in the back of the car while His disciple is driving it. When He wanted a car (donkey car) to ride on He asked them to bring a car. They brought it and made Him enter. On the way they were singing and driving the car. They even asked Him for the right restaurant for the team to go and enjoy a feast. When they had to pay the tax money they asked Him for money. He gave them miracle money from the mouth of the fish. Wow, they had the same money purse, same drinks, same food, same vehicle, what a sweet fellowship! Jesus not only shared the things but also He opened His heart and cried before them. He earnestly sought their prayer help of His most intimate trio.

Yes friends, you can be one among His intimate three or one among the remaining nine of His disciples. Among the twelve apostles, three were aggressive in their love relationship with Him. When Peter saw Jesus walking on the water he wanted to imitate His Master. John always enjoys leaning on the cushion of Jesus' bosom. When all of them asked Jesus if they were the ones who would betray Him, John the Beloved didn't even have a trace of doubt whether he would betray Him. He boldly asked, "Who is that guy who will betray Him?" Perfect love cast out his fear.

When you walk in such a deep love relationship with God, you don't need to beg people to pray for you that you may never backslide. Of course, out of His excessive zeal for God Peter boldly claimed that he would never deny Jesus even when all the others should leave Him. Yes, his self confidence didn't carry him very far. But his heart of love is portrayed here. It is no wonder that these apostles were spear heading the great revival of apostolic miracles. Fellowship is the key to the supernatural.

Since my teenage I have had the great privilege of fellowshiping with God. In my teens I didn't know anything about the manifestation of the Holy Spirit like words of wisdom, words of knowledge, prophecies,

miracles etc.; and yet, many of these gifts were flowing through me practically in spite of my ignorance of these teachings. The main reason for this was my intimacy with my newly found Savior. Jesus literally became the Beloved of my soul. The first thought when I woke up in the early morning was Jesus. I had fallen in love with Him. In my prayer times I used to pet Him like my most intimate lover. Jesus, I love you!, Father, I love you!, Holy Spirit, I love you! These words became my continuous song. This love relationship made me to spend time with Him at least three to four hours every day. I always used to carry my Bible wherever I went, including to my college. My Bible became God's love letter to me. I was eagerly waiting for my regular prayer hours. If in any case I delayed I used to cry and ask God to forgive me for coming late. In my spiritual eyes I used to visualize Jesus waiting for me in the prayer closet with longing eyes.

Can you imagine I was kissing and hugging my imaginary Jesus with such a bubbling love for Him in my prayer closet? Thank God, I didn't have enough theological knowledge in those days to judge such intimate experiences as fanaticism. In my college days, I never went for class picnics but I used to spend those free days in seeking God without any hindrance and disturbance. When God began to open ministry doors in other nations, I never could find time to visit people or go for sightseeing. Many times the roads between the airport, my staying place and the meeting hall were the only thing I saw from the nation I visited. The whole day I used to shut myself in with the Lord. I didn't do it out of obligation; it was my delight and became a part of my calling. Can you ever develop a close friendship with anyone in this world without spending time with that person? How then could you expect that from God?

Do you know what happened? The voice of God was almost audible within me. In those days, when I just looked at somebody I could see their past, their present and their general condition. The gift of prophecy was freely flowing when I prayed for people. Of course, still today such manifestations are flowing through me. In those days, it was a pleasure, yes, almost a kind of addiction for me to pray for people and hear the voice of God for every one of them. Still I remember many of the healing miracles God performed through my hands. Now that I know the biblical foundation?, I teach the Body of Christ the various manifestations of the gifts of

the Spirit.

People constantly asked me how I hear the voice of God and how I get the messages I preach without notes for many hours. To be honest, I have no techniques to teach. The only reason I can give is the time I spend with God for hours before every message. The Word of the Lord comes to me as it came to the His Bible saints. You may ask me, "God is living in you constantly all the time. Why should you set apart specific timings to hear God?" That is a good question. Yes, God lives and walks in us every minute. Unfortunately, though, all too often our mind is clogged with so many problems and struggles of life. When we take time with Him, the Lord who lives in our spirit begins to inundate your entire personality and makes us one with Him in mind, in thought, even in emotions. When that happens God, begins to manifest Himself through us. This is the secret of the supernatural.

Right from Adam all through the centuries, some heroes of the Bible rose up to the high level of intimacy with their Creator. In this article we will meditate five kinds of people who walked intimately with God.

1.Fellowship of the Saints under the Old Covenant with Jehovah God

2.Fellowship of our Lord Jesus Christ with His Father

3.Fellowship of the apostles disciples with the Lord Jesus Christ in His earthly walk

4.Fellowship of the apostles after the day of the Pentecost

5.Fellowship of the Body of Christ, the Church

Beloved, the Holy Spirit is stirring up your heart and wooing you into intimacy with Him. This is the foundation for miracles in your life. Your life and ministry will flourish as you sit under the dew of the Holy Spirit. Failure here is failure everywhere.

Your relationship with God is always intact. By fellowshiping with Him you release all the rivers of heaven in you. Jesus who walked with God all the time sought earnestly the special timings with His Father. There is no substitute for times with God. Decide today and be God's friend. Heaven and earth are looking for you.

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DIARRHEA

Rev. Benita Francis

Dear family of God, in this rainy season, I just want to give you some practical tips for better health. It is said that in India, at any given time 1/3 of the population suffers from diarrhea!!! Even in believers' families, we often have to pray against diarrhea! This is a cause of great concern for me since diarrhea depletes the system of water, minerals and electrolytes. It also causes harm to the gastro-intestinal tract and its flora, not allowing the body to receive the nutrients from whatever the person eats.

A general term for the different types of diarrhea with or without vomiting is **gastroenteritis**. It is an inflammation of its inadequate treatment **kills 5 to 8 million people per year worldwide! It also is a leading cause of death among infants and children** under 5. Diarrhea occurs mostly in developing nations because of poor hygiene leading to contaminated food and water.

Acute diarrhea is usually related to a **bacterial, viral or parasitic infection**. Also food intolerance, reactions to medications and intestinal diseases can cause diarrhea. Chronic diarrhea is usually related to functional disorders such as irritable bowel syndrome or inflammatory bowel disease.

Prolonged diarrhea persisting for more than 2 days may be a sign of a more serious problem and poses the risk of dehydration, which means the body lacks enough fluid to function properly. **Dehydration** is particularly dangerous in children and older people and must be treated promptly to avoid serious health problems. In newborn and infants, diarrhea can lead to dehydration in just a day or two. **BE CAREFUL:** A child can die from dehydration within a few days! However, medications to treat diarrhea in adults can be dangerous for children

and should only be given with a doctor's guidance!

Warning-signs of dehydration include thirst, less frequent urination, dry skin, fatigue, light headedness, dark colored urine. Signs of dehydration in children include dry mouth and tongue, no tears when crying, no wet diapers for 3 hours or more, sunken abdomen, eyes, or cheeks, high fever, listlessness or irritability, skin that does not flatten when pinched and released.

Take broth and soups that contain sodium, and fruit juices, soft drinks, or vegetables that contain potassium, since they help restore electrolyte levels. Over-the-counter rehydration solutions are also good electrolyte sources and are especially recommended for children. In severe dehydration, intravenous rehydration with hospitalization may be required.

Seek medical help if you have severe pain in the abdomen or rectum, a fever of 102 degrees or higher, blood or pus in the stool, black, tarry stools, signs of dehydration, or diarrhea, replacing lost fluid to prevent dehydration is the only treatment necessary. Medicines that stop diarrhea are not recommended in diarrhea caused by a bacterial infection or parasite. If you stop the diarrhea before having purged the bacteria or parasite, you will trap the organism in the intestines and prolong the problem! In severe cases, you might need antibiotics. Viral infections are either treated with medication or left to run their course, depending on the severity and type of virus.

Until diarrhea subsides, avoid caffeine, milk products, and foods that are greasy, high in fiber, or very sweet. They tend to aggravate diarrhea. As you improve, you can add soft, bland foods to your diet, including banana, plain rice, boiled potatoes, toast, crackers, cooked carrots, and baked chicken without skin or fat.

Beneficial bacteria that populate your intestine to help digestion will also be washed out and take some time to recover. You might want to take them in tablet form or repopulate a healthy intestinal flora quickly. Curds and yoghurts, especially probiotics, are beneficial in preventing and treating various forms of gastroenteritis. Zinc supplements also help you recover faster.

Typhoid fever is another often fatal disease caused by poor hygiene and sanitation. Even today 16-33 million cases yearly result in 500,000 to 600,000 deaths! Typhoid can only spread in environments where human feces or urine are able to come into contact with food or drinking water. **Careful food preparation and washing of hands are crucial to preventing typhoid.** Flying insects feeding in feces can transfer the bacteria through poor hygiene habits and public sanitation conditions.

Approximately 5% of people who contract typhoid continue the disease after they recover. They suffer no symptoms, but can infect others. The most famous asymptomatic carrier was Typhoid Mary, a young cook responsible for infecting hundreds of people during her lifetime, killing three of the infected!

If you suffered from typhoid fever, you must wash your hands as often as possible with hot, soapy water, and disinfect at least once a day telephones, door knobs and other things you touch. Keep your towels, bed sheets etc. separate and wash them with disinfectant agents. Check with your doctor to be

sure you are no longer a carrier of the disease before you prepare or give food to others!

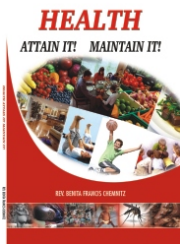
How can you avoid gastroenteritis? Most importantly, get a **good water filter** and service it regularly. Plastic water bottles are not advisable since when they are exposed to sunlight, they emit toxic substances that disrupt the sensitive hormonal balance in your body. **Disinfect** your kitchen and your bathroom regularly. Disinfect your hands before preparing food. Wash your hands with good soap before and after eating, and especially after using the bathroom. Keep your plates and vessels very clean. Before use, wash them with filtered water.

Put mosquito mesh on your windows. Be very diligent to eradicate flies, rats, cockroaches and other pests especially from your kitchen and food storage areas! Never drink tap water or use it to brush your teeth. Do not drink unpasteurized milk or dairy products. Never use ice made from tap water.

Avoid all raw fruits and vegetables unless you peel them yourself. Do not eat raw or rare meat and fish. Do not eat meat that is not hot when served. Do not eat food from street vendors. Outside your house, better drink hot drinks such as coffee or tea.

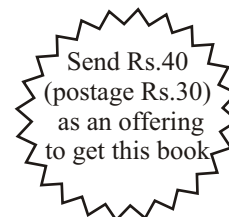
Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers (3 John 2).

This article is taken from the wonderful book on Hygiene “Health Attain it! Maintain it!” by Rev. Benita Francis.



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TESTIMONIES



I thank God for giving me this wonderful opportunity to attend the School of the Holy Spirit for three months. My sister in law who attended first batch of School of the Holy Spirit for Ladies encouraged me to attend the school. I received grace to attend.

In these three months I experienced great revelation that Christ in me - which is the backbone of every Christian to reveal Jesus to others. Prayers became more interesting with praying in tongues. When I started to pray in tongues I could get the faces of people who needed prayers, as led by the Holy Spirit. The wonderful messages preached by Dr. Ezekiah Francis and curse breaking session by Rev. Benita Francis during the Short Term Intensive Course really helped in our spiritual growth.

It is a great privilege to meet and listen to many men and women of God with subjects like Gifts of the Holy Spirit, Divine Healing, Deliverance, Financial Breakthrough, and many more topics. Every day we had a video session of Dr. Ezekiah Francis which ministered to our spirits.

How to spend quiet time with God was also a great experience and I was amazed at the way God spoke to me through the scriptures which helped me in my prayer life to come closer to God.

The healthy environment full of greenery enhanced my meditation in the morning. The work duties, garden work, exercise in the mornings kept me fit.

As long as I live I will never forget these three months' experiences. It will always linger in my heart. All glory to Him. Amen

Bro. Michael Almeida

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My husband and I were travelling from Punjab to Tamil Nadu to attend School of the Holy Spirit conducted by Berachah Prophetic Ministries. When we were on the way by train, around 3am in the morning, S10 compartment in our train caught fire. We were in the S11 compartment. Whole S10 compartment was burnt fully. But somehow we miraculously escaped from that tragedy by His grace. We took a bus to reach Berachah. Even the bus we travelled met with an accident and God saved us from that accident too.

Before coming to this school we didn't have enough money to pay the fees. But the Berachah Ministries itself found a sponsor for us to pay half the fees and for rest half we trusted in God. During financial breakthrough session by Rev. Benita Francis my husband gave his marriage ring as an offering. When he did that he felt something leaving from him.

After that we are seeing a great breakthrough in our finances and we were able to pay the remaining fees. Financial blessings started in our life.

The second great miracle I experienced in this school is my healing from polycystic ovary. Because of polycystic ovary I used to have irregular periods and this affected my childbearing. I was very frustrated and discouraged. During Rev. Benita Francis curse breaking session, I saw two small snakes leaving my womb and I got deliverance that day itself. This was confirmed by a Pastor who came to teach us. He prophesied over me that I had that problem and God healed me and I would have a child. Praise God.

The next thing I experienced is the flowing of the gifts of the Holy Spirit. During this time I went to the

hospital to treat my throat pain. Suddenly the Holy Spirit inspired me to pray for the nurse and I prayed and prophesied for her and she started crying. She accepted whatever I said and I won a soul for Jesus. Before coming to the school I never did this in my life now I am flowing in the Spirit. All our gifts are stirred up.

After these three months in the SOHS now I know why devil tried his maximum to stop us to attend this school. We are full of fire now and we have become a new person and we are going to shake the nations. We thank Dr. Ezekiah Francis and Rev. Benita Francis and Berachah Prophetic Ministries for giving us this opportunity to attend this mighty School of the Holy Spirit and opening our eyes to see who we are INCHRIST and imparting so much anointing and revelations into our spirit.

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Worshipers in the Holy Bible

RESULTS OF PROPHETIC WORSHIP IN THE LIFE OF DAVID

Bro. Manuel Jeyaraj

A careful study of the 17th chapter of I Samuel would reveal great many truths to the body of Christ. With the help of the Holy Spirit, I am going to teach some of the truths on worship from the life of David. I know it is the will of God for the present church to come into His light and fulfill His will on this earth. In this article I want to expound prophetic worship, the forgotten trend in the church of Jesus Christ to you. It's a powerful worship which brings great results in the life of a believer. Let us first delve on the results or the outcome of prophetic worship.

The 17th chapter of I Samuel is where we've got the scene of the fight between David and Goliath. In this chapter, we also read about the description of Goliath, the giant and David, the young boy. The armies of Israel along with King Saul were challenged for a single combat with Goliath. No one had the guts to fight against him. For 40 days, morning and evening, there was not even a single individual from Israel to go up against him. Oh my God! Pathetic war strategy! King Saul, the great leader did not take any initiative to get insight or guidance from the Lord of hosts. The battle belongs to the Lord. Victory comes from Him. A great leadership failed and brought disgrace to the name of the Lord of hosts. The tallest man in Israel, King Saul failed to climb up to the presence of God for victory over Goliath. There was no prophetic guidance. There was no word from the Lord. What a shame! Isn't it true we need powerful prophetic leadership at such times, to accomplish astounding victories for the dear church of Jesus? Powerful prophetic worshipers give birth to powerful prophetic and apostolic movements. David brought praise and worship ministry to bring back the presence of God forever in the land of Israel. This ministry strengthened the kingdom of David and King Solomon. There was a powerful administration over David's kingdom and Solomon's too. In the New Testament church, this ministry will surely play a major role to bring back the powerful administration of both the apostolic and prophetic leadership.

Almost all the wars in the Old Testament were won by the Lord of Hosts for Israel. They were never left alone by God to war against their enemies. When Joshua stood up against Jericho, God sent an angel beforehand to clear up the wall for him through the praise of the Israelites. That happened exactly when all Israel celebrated the feast of Passover before facing Jericho. The angel of the Lord passed over Jericho and crashed the wall when the people of Israel raised their trumpet voice and shout. That was the result of prophetic worship. Israel won almost all her wars through praise and worship. The battle was the Lord's. He fought all their battles. Israel knew this, but King Saul lost this revelation because of his disobedience to the ordinances of God. Now what do you think God would do? He raised a prophetic worshiper, David to lead Israel into great many victories.

The whole army of Israel was looking at Goliath's stature, his weapons, his well-trained skills, his strengths, his achievements and kept listening to his threatening words. I am really stunned to read all these things because he didn't even start fighting and all the people of Israel got frightened. Goliath didn't even start using his weapons but even before that Israel got nullified. Many times we have failed to worship God's majestic stature, His splendor, His glory and so on. And so, we have always seen the devil with an extraordinary sight. We have magnified the devil and his threats!

Do not be in deception. When we have failed to worship the Lord just as He is, we have lost the battle at the very first stage itself. Dear church of Jesus, please start practicing to worship our Lord Jesus just as He is and then not even a single devil can come up against us. Your praise and your worship to God are the most powerful weapons the Lord has given you. (Ps.8:1,2 and the entire book of Psalms) Fear grips your heart when you have already imagined the devil in a different and irrelevant manner. Christ is seated in the heavenlies with all authority. Today He is alive as King of Kings and

Lord of Lords. Satan is already a defeated enemy and he doesn't have any armor over him. He is ripped and stripped of all his armor by Jesus Christ and remains powerless. Fear is nothing but **False Evidence Appearing Real**. Our spirit man has the ability to see our victories accomplished even before we really see the battle. Our spirit man is highly inclined to the Spirit of prophecy. That was the secret of Jesus and it has to be our secret too. By nature, our regenerated spirit heeds and obeys the prophetic voice and is always sensitive to the prophetic move and push of the Spirit of God. It receives continually the messages, pictures, colors, emotions, songs, feelings, ideas, and plans from the Spirit of the living Father God.

Prophetic worship helps us to see God Almighty more than a giant and champion. This kind of worship helps a believer to see the sovereignty of God over anything in this world. There is no limit for His sovereign power. He is in control of everything. At times, we miss this revelation and succumb to pressure. Many times prophetic worship is both revelatory and faith worship. David was a very good prophetic worshiper and that's why many of his psalms picture God differently. Since it is a study, I would like to show some of the psalms where we have got different prophetic pictures about God. Of course, I will not give you a whole lot. I don't want to spoon feed you all. Well, you try to make your own list. These are some Psalms where we've got some prophetic worship and picture.

Ps.2:4-9, Ps.11:4, Ps.16:8, Ps.18:6-15, Ps.29 Ps.110:1

Oh! God! I would go on and on. Please know who your God is by reading and singing all the Psalms. Jesus knew this and that's why He saw Satan falling like lightening. That's the sure result of true prophetic worship. Our spirit man is seated in the heavenlies (The Spirit Realm) with Christ. And so, we are equal with Christ to share His power, His authority, His victory and the list goes on. Then it is very natural to see the victories of the triumphant Christ who is in the right hand side of the Father. Beloved, David somehow knew this and so he sang "The Lord said to my Lord, Sit at My right hand until I make Your enemies a footstool for Your feet" (Ps.110:1). He sang that he has always kept the Lord before himself. I think maybe he was the only Old Testament saint to sing, "The Lord said to my Lord...." This is a real picture of prophetic worship. David was

unable to receive Jesus Christ into his heart but we have Christ Himself in us who lives as the hope of glory. Just think about what kind of worship we must do.

David, the prophetic worshiper had an extraordinary sight and looked at Goliath very differently. David was unable to tolerate the words of Goliath. He thought that Goliath defying the name of the Lord was a shame to all the Israelites. The champion was defying the armies of the living God and was challenging the whole of Israel. But David saw and worshiped the Living God. He saw Him alive and real for the situation. David decided to take away the reproach from Israel and so approached King Saul. He didn't want to run away from the scene. He decided to be offensive.

Prophetic worship always puts us in the offensive and not defensive. First of all, David took away the fear from the armies of Israel by speaking to King Saul. The main role of prophetic worshipers in the church is to put away fear from the church. The best way is - a worshiper must lead the church into the joy of the Lord. Prophetic worship must activate faith in the offensive. Fear stagnates but prophetic worship accelerates the move of God.

In the previous article, I told you that worshipers are warriors based on the life of David. God sees us as soldiers and kings in the army of Jesus. We are born to war against the principalities, the powers of the world forces of this darkness, the rulers and the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places. Prophetic worship challenges the demonic kingdom by lifting up the kingdom of God. We have a spirit man who doesn't give up easily. It is a triumphant spirit man exactly like Jesus Christ. Our spirit man is able to do prophetic worship.

King Saul discouraged David by seeing David as a youth untrained for battle. Again we see King Saul not using his godly insight and losing godly discernment about David's abilities. Fortunately, David had a story to narrate. Yes, every David (worshiper) has a story to narrate. The way God trained him is completely different from others. All cannot understand a worshiper's background. A worshiper would have faced so many fiery darts from the devil and men. David underwent many rejections and loneliness. Physically his body underwent so many sufferings and torments under the scorching sun and the wintery nights. We don't know how many times his body got drenched because of rain

and dew. We don't know how many nights he spent in forests and wildernesses. He would have lost his timely meals and special celebration times with his family. He would have spent many sleepless nights. David would have found it very hard to sleep in daytimes or nights in the forests and it wouldn't have been easy because of the wild animals. No one knows how many times he longed for the affection of his parents and brothers. No one knows how many miles he would have walked to graze the cattle. He would have undergone so much pain in his body and legs. Totally he lived his life in an uncomfortable way and in a manner no one would ever like to live.

Dear worshipers do not let your mind be confined to what you are undergoing right now in your life. You are a mighty instrument being sharpened by God Himself (Isa.41:15). But in this lifestyle, David was able to tear off the lion and the bear. Do you know how this strength comes? It was the prophetic worship of David which gave him this strength. Imagine this strength. It's incredible. He tore off the mouth of the lion and the bear. Imagine a man running after a lion and a bear. How swift he would have been! King Saul had to listen to David's action story filled with so many thrills and surprise endings. King Saul finally decided to send David to fight against Goliath.

Worshippers win your lion and bear first. Do not go to Goliath before overpowering your lion and bear. Your personal worship hours will have to be effective. Practice prophetic worship in your personal times with God. Many times we think we can battle straightaway against Goliath, but that's not true. Our all-wise God takes us from one level to another level. He has victories and victories only in store for us. We fail because of our wrong diagnosis. We have diagnosed both God and the devil erroneously. God wants us to get matured but the devil wants us to go impulsively on our own. That's why it is written in the Bible that we are not unaware of the devil's schemes. So knowing the schemes of the devil is the will of God. Worshipers, start winning the lower level demons first and then you can touch the higher level. However, God takes us from victory to victory. Like Paul we will be able to say, "...God who makes us victorious in all places..." The good news is that any believer has the ability and the power to win the devil. So, prophetic worship is one of the various weapons given to the New Testament church. Prophetic

worship gives us a special insight about our God. It takes us to the real realm of God from where He executes His judgments. It changes our sight about God and the devil. David said to king Saul, "...this uncircumcised philistine will be like one of them". When God becomes bigger and huge in your worship, i.e., when you sing to the Lord His greatness for your situation, God intervenes supernaturally. Actually, David was not a trained warrior, but he was able to win Goliath. How was that possible? David had the extraordinary ability to see both God and his enemies very differently. David always saw his enemies to be powerless and defeated people.

Worshippers, know your weapons. The names of God are so powerful. His matchless names tell of His glory, His splendor, His majesty, His dominion and so on. Sing His names. Prophecy using His names. They are incredible. King Saul gave his armor to David. But David found them unsuitable because he didn't use them beforehand. God uses you from what you have. He gives power to the things that you have. First of all, He shares His power and strength with you. David was trained in that way and that's why King Saul's armor didn't fit him. Know that what you have is sufficient for you and others. So the magic is God enabling you with what you have. David's weapons were a stick, some stones, a sling, a shepherd bag and the name of the Lord in his mouth.

Moses' weapons were his rod and the word of the Lord in his mouth. Speaking in human terms, David's weapons are no match to the Giant Goliath but only these weapons made David to win Goliath. Do not underestimate your weapons. They are not yours. They have become the Lord's. It is He Who gave you the weapons. He has strengthened these weapons of yours for his cause. He brings His supernatural power into your weapons to bring down your enemies.

The only secret here is that He dwells in the praises of His people who are nothing but flesh before Him. His praise in your mouth draws His strength to work for you. So, practice prophetic worship and start experiencing its results.

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