

# **Prayer Focus**

## September 12-18, 2022

#### **Hearken unto Me**

The greatest act of worship that we give to the Lord is obedience. Our focused attention and active listening require that we do what He has said.

Prior to entering the promised land, Moses recounted the commandments and statutes the Israelites were to keep. It is at this moment that the Lord proclaims them His special people **that** they should keep all His commandments. Then, the blessing would come.

"16This day the LORD your God commands you to observe these statutes and judgments; therefore you shall be careful to observe them with all your heart and with all your soul. <sup>17</sup>Today you have proclaimed the LORD to be your God, and that you will walk in His ways and keep His statues, His commandments, and His judgments, and that you will obey His voice. <sup>18</sup>Also today the LORD has proclaimed you to be His special people, just as He promised you, that you should keep all His commandments, <sup>19</sup>and that He will set you high above all nations which He has made, in praise, in name, and in honor, and that you may be a holy people to the LORD your God, just as He has spoken." Deuteronomy 26:16-19

As I was reflecting on this, the words "hearken" or "obey" kept jumping off the pages. Hearken is a word that conveys that the one who has heard, does what was said.

Jesus says something in John 14 that I have never seen before. He says, "<sup>15</sup>If you love Me, keep My commandments. <sup>16</sup>And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever—<sup>17</sup>the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you. <sup>18</sup>I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you. <sup>19</sup>A little while longer and the world will see Me no more, but you will see Me. Because I live, you will live also. <sup>20</sup>At that day you will know that I am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you. <sup>21</sup>He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him." John 14:15-21

Jesus prays to the Father to give a Helper (Holy Spirit – the Spirit of truth) <u>as</u> the disciples love Jesus by keeping His commandments. Additionally, He (Jesus) promises to manifest Himself to him who loves Him and keeps His commandments.

There are many blessings that come from obedience, but the forever abiding Holy Spirit and Jesus manifesting Himself to us should increase our motivation and desire to love our Worthy Savior and King through our obedience.

- Melody Divine

### **Pray**

- For the Body of Messiah to give herself to wholly loving obedience to His Word.
   May we be listening and obeying Him in our daily walks.
- That we would be pure consecrated vessels where Holy Spirit desires to dwell.
   May we recognize and cherish the anointing of the Spirit of truth to be effective witnesses for Him. "Now he who keeps His commandments abides in Him, and He in him. And by this we know that He abides in us, by the Spirit whom He has given us." 1 John 3:24

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Yes (Obedience) David & Nicole Binion ft. MDSN

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#### **Events**

Prayer Force Website: http://www.prayerforce.live/

Prayer Force Room Sign-Up

Prayer Force Equipping Hour – Every other Tuesday at 1:00pm, Pacific

10 Days of Awe - Join us! September 25 (Rosh Hashanah) - October 5 (Yom Kippur)

**Pray California Conference – October 21-22, 2022** 

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