

Prayer Focus February 13 - February 19

Testimonies

God's Kingdom is Advancing through our testimonies.

This past two weeks has been one of the most difficult times in our family's life. It's as if the enemy hit the "stop" button, & all forward going progression in each of our lives came to an abrupt halt.

After many days of being in shock and tears amidst crying out to the Lord-I heard the Lord say, "It's all smoke and mirrors Daughter."

In that brief moment, I realized that my "attacker," the enemy of my soul, was also the enemy of my Savior and he wasn't really messing with me but with Jesus in me. The enemy was angry at me determined to move forward in the direction God had called me too so he had to distract me with what felt like a death threat to me & my family.

The Holy Spirit reminded me of Daniel in the lion's den. What a real threat that was yet Daniel decided at one point, very quickly, what was true- God was His protector, deliverer, His source to his trouble. He was left to be killed and eaten by a den of lions and God saved him. Daniel always prayed.

In the end, Daniel was spared and the King and made it known that the God of Daniel was God. The enemy's plan was defeated & God's kingdom was advanced.

In these last days, we are witnessing a level of warfare that is unprecedented against the righteousness of Christ and His people, but He is not daunted and remains unchanged- He is still the God of Daniel as He is God to us. He is mighty to save us from the enemy's plans.

Prayer points:

• Lord, teach us to trust you at all times, even if the unthinkable attack comes against us.

- Help us to remain contrite and with a heart of worship.
- Give us Your strength to persevere in difficult times.

Our purpose is to give testimony to how great you are and advance Your kingdom, even our trials will turn into triumphs.

Scriptures:

Daniel 6:10

"Daniel always prayed to God three times every day. Three times every day, he bowed down on his knees to pray and praise God. Even though Daniel heard about the new law, he still went to his house to pray. He went up to the upper room of his house and opened the windows that faced toward Jerusalem. Then Daniel bowed down on his knees and prayed just as he always had done."

Psalm 91

Revelation 12:11

"And they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they loved not their lives even unto death."

Psalm 18:6

"In my distress I called upon the LORD and cried unto my God: he heard my voice out of his temple, and my cry came before him, even into his ears."

Matthew 11:12

"And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and the violent take it by force.

2 Corinthians 4:8-9, 17-18

"We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; 9persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed. 16Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. 17For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. 18So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal."

<u>Song</u>: You are my Hiding Place <u>https://youtu.be/uUx2WcC9JKo</u>