



What Heaven Wants

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What is prayer about?

Find out what Heaven wants...
And agree with it!



What we will be talking about

- My history
 - Our journey in prayer
 - What Heaven wants
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My history



James' salty comment

You ask and do not receive, because you ask amiss, that you may spend *it* on your pleasures.

(James 4:3)



Letting peace rule

But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection. **And let the peace of God rule in your hearts**, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful.

(Colossians 3: 14-15; emphasis added)



We need to know who we are

If God talked to us and told us our identity, we would know what to do with our lives. We wouldn't have to keep going back to him and asking, "What do we do?" We would know what to do because our identity and being inform our doing.

(Living Fearless, Jamie Winship, p. 28)



Our prayer journey



Prayer is all about perspective

Is not...

Persuading God to join our fight.

Crying out to God when a giant wave is about to crash over your head.

Is...

Praying towards Earth from Heaven, where we are seated with Christ Jesus

He who sits in the Heavens shall laugh...

(Psalm 2: 4a)

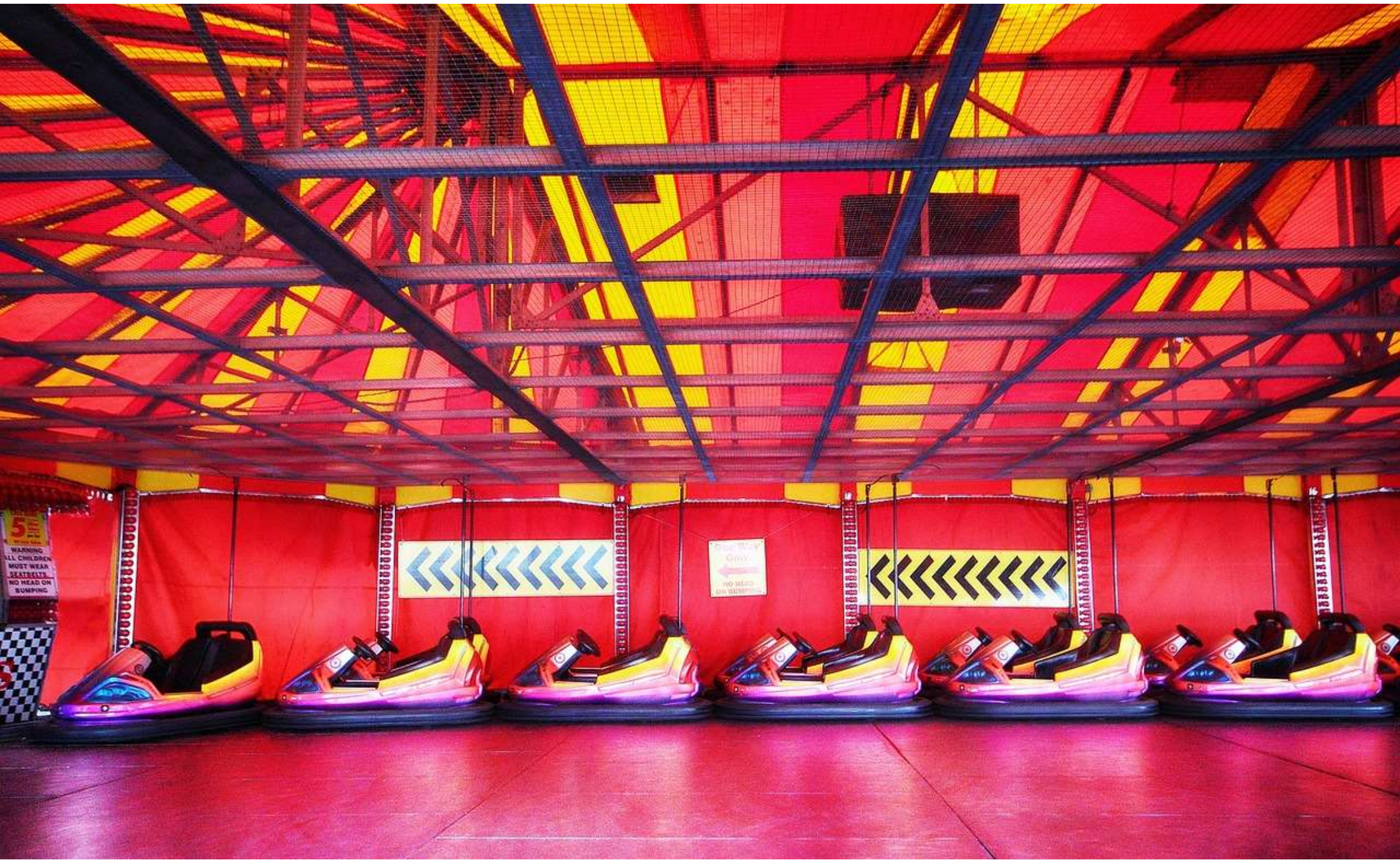


The Holy Spirit's prayers

Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but **the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us** with groanings which cannot be uttered. Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God.

(Romans 8: 26-27; emphasis added)





What is our reality?

But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up together, **and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus**, that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

(Ephesians 2: 4-7; emphasis added)





Watch see write read run

I will stand my watch
And set myself on the rampart,
And watch to see what He will say to me,
And what I will answer when I am corrected.

Then the Lord answered me and said:

“Write the vision
And make it plain on tablets,
That he may run who reads it.
For the vision is yet for an appointed time;
But at the end it will speak, and it will not lie...”
(Habakkuk 2: 1-3)

God's got this!

Let us therefore be diligent to enter that rest, lest anyone fall according to the same example of disobedience.

(Hebrews 4: 11; emphasis added)



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The power of agreement

... by the mouth of two or three witnesses the matter shall be established.

(Deut. 19: 15b)

How could one chase a thousand,
And two put ten thousand to flight...?

(Deut. 32: 30)

.. And a threefold cord is not quickly broken.

(Eccl. 4: 12b)



Why God needs our agreement

The heaven, even the heavens, are the Lord's;

But the earth He has given to the children of men.

(Psalm 115: 16: emphasis added)



Did Moses change God's mind?

Then the Lord said to Moses: "How long will these people reject Me? And how long will they not believe Me, with all the signs which I have performed among them? I will strike them with the pestilence and disinherit them, and I will make of you a nation greater and mightier than they."


And now, I pray, let the power of my Lord be great, just as You have spoken, saying, 'The Lord is longsuffering and abundant in mercy, forgiving iniquity and transgression; but He by no means clears the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and fourth generation.' Pardon the iniquity of this people, I pray, according to the greatness of Your mercy, just as You have forgiven this people, from Egypt even until now."

Then the Lord said: "I have pardoned, according to your word;
(Numbers 14: 11; 17-20)

Translation

God says, “If you don’t pray, here is what is going to happen: these people will end up in destruction because of their sinful behaviour.

“But if, if I can get you to agree with Me for them not to be destroyed, then maybe together we can find a way towards a better outcome.”



Prayer, the saddest verse

So I sought for a man among them who would make a wall, and stand in the gap before Me on behalf of the land, that I should not destroy it; **but I found no one.**

(Ezekiel 22: 30; emphasis added)



The big take away

- Listen to God as you start to pray and let Him direct your prayer.
- Be open to the prophetic.

Remember:

- You are opening a door to God in the Earth.
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Resources

- Pray in the Spirit: The Work of the Holy Spirit in the Ministry of Prayer – Arthur Wallis
- Prayers, Declarations and Strategies for Shifting Atmospheres: 90 Days to Victorious Spiritual Warfare – Dawna De Silva
- Warring with Wisdom – Dawna De Silva
- The Veil: An Invitation to the Unseen Realm – Blake K Healy
- Rees Howells, Intercessor – Norman P Grubb
- The Happy Intercessor – Beni Johnson
- Living Fearless: Exchanging the Lies of the World for the Liberating Truth of God – Jamie Winship

