## **DAY 15 - 23/8/2020 - 40 DAYS OF PRAYER**

Apostle Natasha greeted everyone and we opened with prayer.

Vision was given of lots of water coming and the water is about to burst through the dam wall. Hears the words "mercy triumphs over judgment, but judgment is sometimes My mercy." This is a vision that came from the meeting this morning.

People were sharing about the meeting of this morning and what had impacted them. We need to understand 'I am not just a child of God but am a covenant child of God'. God hides us in the cleft of the rock and his back was torn open and every stripe was like a cleft.

Genesis 15:17 NIV "When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, a smoking firepot with a blazing torch appeared and passed between the pieces.

Lord looked like a flaming torch and fire. Heifer, goat, ram, dove and pigeon were cut in to pieces and God walked amongst the pieces. God is looking for pieces, the more you break your heart, the more your heart is circumcised and the covenant of God is established.

How do you come into covenant and what is covenant? A covenant requires a cutting, without the cut, you did not have a covenant. We return to God via circumcision of our hearts. We need to cry over our sin. If we never really repented and just said a prayer without crying and mourning over our sin, are we really born again?. There must be pain and a cutting of what we have done to the Lord. If there is no cut, no pain, there is no real covenant. If I just followed a prayer of someone leading me, did I really covenant with the Lord or was it just lip service and some emotion. Jews rend their garments, because we need to rend our hearts and allow God to wound our hearts because of our sin. The covenant was made by cutting pieces of the animal in half, then God walks through the pieces and makes a covenant. Often we repent as if we are doing business, but we don't really feel anything. We must return to God with our hearts and we must allow God to deal with our hard heart and stubbornness. We must allow God to soften and to break our hearts.

Person shared 'rend your heart and not your garment'. Sometimes I think there is something wrong with me because all I seem to do is cry. Keep sensing how we hurt God and I am asking God what is it that I do that is hurting you. Sometimes the pain I feel is so much, I feel like I am going to pass out. How much more is the pain God feels. When people speak about children and the abuse and mutilation of children, it impacts my heart and I am in such pain and I begin to have understanding that God must feel the pain so much more. Lord, I find myself asking you, am I ok, what else can I do, how can I please you more. There is a greater sense of watching myself, in my thinking, my attitude, what I do and how I do it. There is a awesome sense of the fear of God.

1 Corinthians 10:4 NIV "and all of them drank the same spiritual water. For they drank from the spiritual rock that traveled with them, and that rock was Christ."

Another person shared how amazing it was that the Rock followed them.

Thank you Father, you don't give up on us, we are so grateful to be able to come to your table. To cry for what makes you cry. Thank you Father God, we lay our lives, thank you for peeling layers and layers and we are grateful and privileged to belong to the living God. All the pain you carried Lord, thank you Lord, we lay our lives down, because without you, we cannot run this race. We can do nothing without you. It starts with you, for you are the Alpha and Omega, thank you for the sound of Blood of Jesus. May we hear the sound of the heart of God and the sound of the Blood in every nation in Jesus name. All the glory belongs to you God, we humble our hearts. Teach us to rend our hearts and help us Lord.

Heavenly Father, help us to bring our hearts to you and please search us. We need to have a love that will confound this world and we don't know this love Lord. This love which overcomes all evil. Turn up fallow ground in my heart, there is oil needed. Nations need change. Jesus wept, how is it possible that we don't have broken hearts for our nations, if we have the Holy Spirit. We don't know how to have compassion for the lost. Circumcise me for your purposes. I don't want a heart that doesn't know to reach into your throne room God, so that nations can be changed and wickedness can be judged and perversion overturned. Search me, O God and see if there be anything wicked in me. Change me Lord, come into my heart. We come as nations before you. The world is in a terrible state and we have no answer for the children who are being ripped apart, physically, emotionally and mentally. We have done this, our stubbornness, our unrighteous hearts, we have sinned against you Lord. We have perverted everything holy and righteous. Search amongst every part of me and remove everything out of me that is not of you Lord. Forgive my selfishness Lord, I don't know how to change but you can change me Lord. Lord, all the stripes you took upon yourself, Lord, thank you, thank you so much for your sacrifice to bring us to your table. Bring us to our knees, we should be priests after your heart. I don't know what to give you except ME; my heart, my will, my emotions, my life, everything of me. We want to hear your thoughts your voice, not ours Lord.

Jesus was whipped and if you look at what He was whipped with, he suffered 351 literal lashes which ripped his back open, so we could come into the new covenant and the cuts were made on Him and not on us. Are you prepared to let the truth cut deeply and allow what hurts God to hurt you?.

Have we repented enough for our nations to be accepted by Christ. Why would Jesus accept a bride who has not got his heart, not cried with him, nor joined Him in Gethsemane. However, the bride expects to be blessed, comfortable and endure no cost. The breakthrough paid for on Jesus was 351 breakthroughs of blood and that blood is speaking on the mercy seat of God and there is a voice according to Hebrews 12 of the testimony of the blood. Hebrews 12:24 NIV "and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel." He is the advocate praying and He is praying to see his work finished that he had given us. It is His plans and His thoughts and His way.

The bible is about God looking for a family, a household, a priesthood, a people who would belong to Him. There is nowhere for Him to dwell with us unless we prepare. We are to prepare a dwelling place for God. There must be preparation before He can dwell with us.

We are the cheating wife, the unfaithful one, the one who looks for what we could transact with for ourselves. God wants us to return to His covenant, to love God. We don't think the things we go through that pain us, actually gives God pain.

Zechariah 12:10-14 NIV "And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit<sup>[a]</sup> of grace and supplication. They will look on<sup>[b]</sup> me, the one they have pierced, and they will mourn for him as one mourns for an only child, and grieve bitterly for him as one grieves for a firstborn son. <sup>11</sup> On that day the weeping in Jerusalem will be as great as the weeping of Hadad Rimmon in the plain of Megiddo. <sup>12</sup> The land will mourn, each clan by itself, with their wives by themselves: the clan of the house of David and their wives, the clan of the house of Nathan and their wives, <sup>13</sup> the clan of the house of Levi and their wives, the clan of Shimei and their wives, <sup>14</sup> and all the rest of the clans and their wives.

There is a mourning before the Lord and then in chapter 13, there will be a fountain to cleanse them. Zechariah 13:1 NIV "On that day a fountain will be opened to the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, to cleanse them from sin and impurity."

Lord, grant us the mourning which will perform circumcision on our hearts. We want to forsake the wickedness of our imaginations, thoughts, ideas causing the enemy to mock you. We don't want to make you sorry for making us. We have been an unfaithful wife, we go to other gods. Have mercy on us Lord. As we behold the one we have pierced, rend our hearts, give us a desperate spirit, help us God. We lay down our hearts, search us God, burn everything offensive to you in the name of Jesus, have mercy, have mercy God. Rend our hearts, have mercy. We need a spirit of mourning Lord. We repent and we turn Lord.

Pray in tongues and cry out to the Lord. We do want to weep, we do want to mourn Lord. We need to act as intercessors instead of accusers. We need to take responsibility, we are guilty Lord and we choosing to lay down our lives and become your intercessors, we are choosing to have our hearts circumcised Lord, we are choosing to mourn with you over your nations and over your generations, Lord, help us.

Read through Nehemiah 9 and take note how many times God had mercy, yet the people turned away, again and again, were disobedient, rebellious, killed the prophets, hardened their hearts against God.

In Nehemiah 10 there is a recording of names of who had signed and made a vow and took an oath of covenant with the Lord. This was a complete reset of a return to God with the understanding that there would be consequences if they broke their vows.

This is the time to reset, we look like Nehemiah 9. Our pattern, type or shadow is the old testament and we are supposed to understand and apply the word to our lives. We have made our own gospel, and in our gospel of grace we have demanded we should be blessed and God must provide and not require anything from us. Total selfishness and idolatry of self. We need to mourn and repent with brokenness of heart. Go and read Nehemiah 9 again. We have been coming to this place for a long time, it is not just overnight, it is through generations of wickedness that we are at this place. We need to come before the Lord and agree with what the enemy is saying about me, my family, my nation because the accuser is correct in his accusations. I am rebellious, stubborn, want my own way, with no discipline. There is no nice gospel, the true gospel

was bloody, Jesus bled from his head down. 351 stripes after his beard was pulled out, the beatings, this was a shedding of blood, and not a few spatters. Where does this gospel come from that I can be in a covenant and I bring nothing to the covenant. Who wants a wife who does not love him but demands money, food, provision from him. No honour, no respect, no love.

Revelation 3:14 NIV "These are the words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the ruler of God's creation. <sup>15</sup> I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were either one or the other! <sup>16</sup> So, because you are lukewarm—neither hot nor cold—I am about to spit you out of my mouth. <sup>17</sup> You say, 'I am rich; I have acquired wealth and do not need a thing.' But you do not realize that you are wretched, pitiful, poor, blind and naked. <sup>18</sup> I counsel you to buy from me gold refined in the fire, so you can become rich; and white clothes to wear, so you can cover your shameful nakedness; and salve to put on your eyes, so you can see.

Having wealth is not indicative of gratitude. Most times it is the poorest who give the most. Part of the fast of God is to feed to poor. What you would have eaten or bought should be put to use for the poor.

The Antichrist is successful in their agendas and their sacrifices. No cut, no blood, no sacrifice. God is a covenant keeping God and we are guilty Lord. The Levites went daily to minister to the Lord. It is a daily ministry to the Lord. We have to repent for living in a grace gospel, another gospel and not the full gospel. We must learn to apply the full gospel. We need to repent as the prodigal, as well as the older son. Lord, you are our Father, please correct us in your mercy and loving kindness. Don't discipline us in anger Lord. Our hearts are far from you, Lord may the unwanted flesh be removed, don't let me be like Esau, forgive us Lord, allow us to repent. Forgive me and my generation, where we are like harlots using your word to sustain ourselves Lord. We have not lived your scriptures the way Paul and the other apostles did, they knew what it was to be poor and to have enough. We are stiff necked. We have neglected the Blood who is still speaking. It was a bloody transaction, and we are grateful and are crying out thank you for the blood of Christ who speaks better things than Abel. We come into agreement with the blood, but that has a cost, not my carnality, not my desires. Thank you for sparing us and having mercy even though we have contaminated your covenant and we did not just die because we touched the ark. You see my frame, and I am here. Lord have your way, your kingdom come, your will be done. I surrender to your circumcision, your cut, may your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. May our repentance be heard, may our cry be a fragrance before you Lord.

Lottery money won, is often gone and not managed or held. There is no blessing to hold this money, because people don't hold onto this type of money.

Vision given that we trying to push into the cleft of the rock, push into the back of Jesus. We are dry and struggling to merge with Him. Our repentance is helping to hold a place of the layer of the blood of Jesus over us. Every time we rend our hearts, it brings a layer of blood of Jesus over us. True intercessors have thick layers of blood over them which stops the arrows. These people go into Jesus and then come out and they still covered in the blood.

Exodus 33:22 NIV "When my glory passes by, I will put you in a cleft in the rock and cover you with my hand until I have passed by.

When God puts him in the cleft of the rock, the Lord proclaims over him because there is a secret place verse 21 *'behold there is a place' 'maqowm'* H4725 which is a standing place, a post, a station. This is a place where God put Moses into and in this place God showed him His glory.

Thank you Father we want to come to the place by you, the cleft that is Christ. We know we have not repented through, there is still stuff to work through. There are root issues in my heart, rebellion, attitudes not dealt with, hard places in me. Help us to come to this place that is the rock who is Christ. You are starting to explain the repentance that is needed and we know the repentance is not deep enough yet. Help us to learn to rend our hearts, to allow you to cut deeply. Lord I want to go further and deeper in Christ, to come to the place beside you Lord.

This is the place Moses sees Jesus because he ends up in the place of transfiguration where Jesus and Elijah are looking at him. We have not seen things of the future because we have not been hidden in the place of the Rock. Just because you have seen visions from childhood, is not necessarily God. You must be in the rock to truly see what God wants to show you into the future. There is a place we have to seek God for the future generations but we need to submit to go into this place.

I need to agree with God, not complain, have my heart fixed on Him, not on what I need or want. It is about spiritual time, not earth time. God can do things in a moment, how deep do you want to go. If we are complaining about what we don't have, or are grumbling and ungrateful, God cannot share His heart with us, we cannot be in the cleft of the Rock.

Vision given of dry ground, trickle of water. There is water coming which will impact not just the nations and church now, but will become a legacy into future generations.

James 1:18 NIV " He chose to give us birth through the word of truth, that we might be a kind of first fruits of all he created.

We have been called to be the first fruits, and we are called to know what is coming in the future and prepare for His Kingdom. We can be the first fruits in our families, in our tribes, in our nations but we must be willing to be circumcised.

We understand the fall has cracked us and marred us, but the pattern is in Christ and when we come to you, you can restore your image and heal the cracks in us so that your glory can be established in us through being transformed to 'Christ likeness'. If we are not found in the place intended by you, we cannot see what we need to see and we don't want the blood of the generations on our hands. Lord we say here we are here God, the cost may be great but nothing comes cheap Lord, and as a company who have received your grace, we come to pray that we may see that others may come into the purposes you have destined for them.

Abraham went up to offer Isaac which became a legal precedent for Jesus to come because if Abraham was willing to sacrifice his son, God had the legal precedent to sacrifice His Son. Abraham saw a place afar off - Genesis 22:9 - and Abraham built his altar. He laid the wood in order and bound Isaac onto the altar. The word *'in order'* means angels joining the sacrifice. One of God's names is called *'Ha maqwom'* or the place and he is on the same mountain where Jesus

would be sacrificed. This place is the place next to God, which is His name because God says to Moses come to place next to me. He showed Abraham the place. Abraham said God would provide the lamb in this place. God himself promised to provide himself as the Lamb. Jesus is the Lamb of God sacrificed here. There is a place, a place of hearing God in Him and it requires sacrifice. This word 'afar off' means the future of what God was going to do and Abraham had confidence in God.

We need to get to where God has prepared a place and what that place has prepared for the future. Father we want to get there, to have understanding of this place. Thank you Father, you took Moses into the future. Lord, I am looking to find this place in you which is all about the future. We come tonight in name of Jesus and we trust you that as we come and lay down our lives and you will speak to us of the future.

Father, we ask you tonight that there is a place beside you, a secret place, a hidden place in the cleft of the rock. We want to find you, this place in you. Lord we need to lay down all that would hinder us, we must come through the eye of the needle Lord. We are searching Lord to find the place near to your heart. We must seek and knock until we find and until the door is opened.

Lord you want to speak to us more than we want to find you. Moses knew the ways of God, knew the heart of God. It might feel like stop start on this call, but it will all make sense at the end. Sometimes it feels like very hard work to repent for everything and it gets laborious but we get there if we do not give up.

As tedious and repetitive as it seems as we work our way to the roots, God is bringing us to a place where He can show us the future.

Stillness in the absence of knowledge is void. Stillness in the knowledge of God is powerful. Be still and know I am God. God wants to bring us into a deeper relationship with Him. He wants to reveal Himself to us.

If you have never been taught to keep wealth, to invest wealth you won't keep it and provide a legacy. The same as the anointing, if you know how to honor spiritual mothers and fathers, you can come into a current stewardship of the anointing of generations. We are part of the history of church throughout generations. We must learn to steward from generation to generation.

Apostle Natasha shared a bit of her testimony. People who laid hands on Sister Gwen had led revival at Azuza street, so we talking a generational anointing. If it is just me trying to stir up the anointing, that is a lot of work but when I can receive from patriarchs and matriarchs, that is very different. I understand how to operate in the anointing with honor. When you can see the mantle on Abraham, and it comes through the priesthood and when Aarons son stands in the temple for 7 days, he has his fathers priestly clothing which then fits him.

Genesis 14 speaks of the King of Righteousness, Melchezidek and then in Hebrews, Jesus is Melchezidek and there is a priesthood. This is the type of mantle we are coming into. It has no beginning and no end and is Infinite. Our laying down our lives is putting ourselves on the altar of God as a living sacrifice, and God can take this sacrifice and grant us infinity in Christ. This is

far greater than you and I, it is much more than just us. We are preparing so He can dwell with us and we can dwell with Him.

Vision - We need to rend our hearts to have a gripping place for the blood.

So the vision was of a very dry land and the water could not penetrate. Before we come and plant something in that ground, the land must be ploughed, soil turned over because the hardness must be broken up. Then compost or repentance is added. The rain is our tears.

Lord, I want to work on my heart, you are giving me this tool of repentance and I want to repent and cry before you, that my tears will water this soil and my heart will break and this ground will become soft.

Vision why do we want to repent, what is the motive. Do I want the next house or the next job. If we repent it is to get closer to God, be a servant to God, it is not for the next breakthrough but to be the servant of God.

This is the place where Jesus owns us, we are prepared as a bride for the Lord and belong to Him completely.

Lord, we keep messing up and going back to the same vomit. Lord, we are tired of going back to the same vomit, Lord plough the ground in my heart, I need you, to help me, Lord. I want to truly walk out your purposes Lord. Develop such a deep hunger. As that dry ground is so thirsty for the water, may I become so thirsty for you, your word, your presence. Don't leave me the same way as when I started Lord. May every one of us be changed Lord, change us, thank you Lord for the journey you have us on. Draw us Lord and thank you for all you have done in our lives and thank you for your faithfulness towards us which is truly amazing.

Cover us, our families under the Blood of Jesus and protect us Lord. We want to be mindful of you and your word and become true intercessors of your purposes Lord in Jesus name.