

TRANSFORMING YOUR COMMUNITY THROUGH PRAYER I

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1. UNDERSTANDING FOUR _____

1.1 SPIRITUALISTIC/EASTERN WORLDVIEW

1.2 SECULAR/NATURALISTIC WORLDVIEW

1.3 WESTERN COMPARTMENTALIZED WORLDVIEW

1.4 BIBLICAL WORLDVIEW

2. UNDERSTANDING _____

2.1 Definition: Kingdom of God means "sovereign reign of God".

2.2 The Kingdom of God was the _____ message in the life and ministry of Jesus.

2.3 John the Baptist _____ the way for Jesus by his preaching:
Matthew 3:2

2.4 The message of Jesus _____ John
Matthew 4:17

2.5 A fuller _____ of Christ's message is given in Mark's Gospel.
Mark 1:15

2.6 Jesus considered the Kingdom to already be _____ (Luke 4:21;
Matthew 12:28 but had not reached its culmination/fulfillment (Mark 4:3-8; 8:11;
Luke 21:27).

Psalm 145:11-13:

2.7 Jesus taught that the Kingdom is coming yet _____ when He spoke of the mystery of the Kingdom.

Matthew 13:11

2.8 In announcing the "dawning Kingdom" Jesus was declaring _____ with Satan who had introduced sin, brokenness, disease and oppression into God's perfect creation.

2.9 Jesus proclaimed the Kingdom in both _____ and _____.
Matthew 12:28-29:

2.10 The essence of Christ's Kingdom _____ is summarized by the first three petitions of the Lord's prayer.
Matthew 6:9-10

2.11 Jesus did not merely proclaim the _____ of the kingdom but He was also the message of _____.

2.12 The _____ of the Early Church was that Jesus was "*the Christ*" the "*anointed one of God*" (Acts 5:42).

2.13 In the Book of Acts Christian _____ was described as "*preaching Christ*".

2.14 The message of Jesus Christ was _____ distinct from the message of the Kingdom of God but was parallel to it.
Acts 17:2-3

1 Corthinians 15:1-4

2.15 The Church and Kingdom are inter-related but not _____ entities.

2.16 _____ means entering the Kingdom of God and experiencing His reign in our lives and in this world.

2.17 The Church, the redeemed community of the King is the self-conscious _____ of the Kingdom of God.

3. UNDERSTANDING SATAN'S KINGDOM

3.1 Satan and his forces are _____ angelic beings who have set up his Kingdom.

3.2 Satan is our _____ and every Christian is involved in that war.

Ephesians 2:1-3

Ephesians 6:12

3.3 Powers of Satan are _____ than human powers (Acts 16:16; 2 Thessalonians 2:9)

3.4 God's power is _____ than all evil powers (1 John 4:4; 5:4)

3.5 Our weapons are spiritual because the warfare is in the _____ realm.
Corinthians 10:3-5

Ephesians 6:10-17

3.6 Satan has been _____ by Christ on the cross
Colossians 2:13-15

3.7 At the _____ of Jesus the full effects of the defeat will be implemented and Satan will be _____.

Mark 1:24

1 Corinthians 2:6

3.8 Satan's Kingdom still _____

3.8.1 It is not divided but highly _____.
Matthew 12:22-28

3.8.2 Although Satan is the _____ of confusion and chaos this does not mean that his work is chaotic and disorderly.

3.8.3 Satan's work is far from _____.
2 Corinthians 2:11

Ephesians 6:11

3.9 The church needs to wage _____ with the heavenly powers to fulfill the Great Commission mandate. (Matthew 10:1-8; Colossians 4:2-4)

4. FOUR DIFFERENT LEVELS OF _____ ENCOUNTERS

4.1 Personal Level

4.1.1 Spiritual warfare is what _____ Christian encounters simply living for Christ in the context of a hostile environment.

4.1.2 Spiritual struggle exists between the _____ and the spirit in the realm of moral and ethical behavior in a person.

Romans 7:24

4.1.3 The _____ of Jesus in the wilderness were at this level as they related to the physical and material needs.

4.2 _____ and Systemic Level

4.2.1 Belief in spiritual powers being highly organized into a _____ demonic kingdom

Ephesians 6:12

4.2.2 Spiritual battle against the oppressive and demonic _____ in a society.

Ephesians 3:10

4.2.3 Spiritual battle against the enslaving _____ of society,

4.2.4 When the Lord promised that the gates of Hades will not prevail against the Church, He meant such structures and systems will not be able to _____ the growth of the Church.

Matthew 16:18

4.3 Territorial Level

4.3.1 Belief in the existence of _____ spirits

4.3.2 Belief that _____ have been given permission to address the territorial spirits and bind them.

Matthew 16:19

4.3.3 Through binding these territorial spirits it is expected that a level of freedom will come to the people in a given area to _____ to the Gospel.

4.3.4 This is _____ level spiritual warfare (SLSW) in the supernatural world

4.3.5 There is no _____ teaching in the Bible but there are some references.

E.g. 1 Daniel 10:10-21

Eg 2 Isaiah 24:21

Eg 3 Luke 13:10-17

Eg.4 Mark 5:9-14

4.4 Ministry Level

4.4.1 A power encounter at the ministry level of evangelism and church planting is _____.

4.4.2 The _____ to the preaching of the Gospel and the persecution of Christian workers and believers is at this level.

4.4.3 May _____ idol worship, immorality, demon possession, witchcraft, sorcery, and magic.

4.4.4 May face demonic forces of spiritual _____

4.4.5 May face demonic _____ of religious priests, witches, witch doctor and shamans.

5. NEW EVANGELISM STRATEGIES

5.1 Spiritual Mapping

5.1.1 Definition of Spiritual Mapping (George Otis)

Spiritual mapping ... involves superimposing our understanding of forces and events in the spiritual domain onto places and circumstances in the material world.

Spiritual mapping is a means by which we can see what is beneath the surface of the material world; but it is not magic. It is subjective in that it is a skill born out of a right relationship with God and a love for His world. It is objective in that it can be verified (or discredited) by history, sociological observation and God's Word.

-- From "An Overview of Spiritual Mapping" in Breaking Strongholds in Your City by C. Peter Wagner

5.1.2 Testimony of Spiritual Mapping (Harold Caballeros)

"We have learned that it is our advantage to know who the strongman is in order to bind him and divide his spoils. Spiritual mapping helps us identify the strongman. In some cases, spiritual mapping will give us a series of characteristics that will guide us directly to the territorial prince or power. In other cases, we will find ourselves facing a natural person whom Satan is using. In still others, we will find ourselves face-to-face with a corrupt social structure."

-- From *"Defeating the Enemy with the Help of Spiritual Mapping"* in Breaking Strongholds in Your City by C. Peter Wagner.

5.1.3 Prescription for Spiritual Mapping (C. Peter Wagner)

At a city-wide level that we "work with the intercessors especially gifted and called to strategic level spiritual warfare, seeking God's revelation of: (a) the redemptive gift(s) of the city (b) Satan's strongholds; (c) territorial spirits assigned to the city (d) corporate sin; (e) God's plan of attack and timing.

-- From *"Summary: Mapping Your Community"* in Breaking Strongholds in Your City by C. Peter Wagner

5.1.4 Limited Prescription (Dick Bernal)

Need to discover the names of the territorial spirits as part of the spiritual mapping process, whether through historical or religious research or by revelation through prayer.

-- From Storming Hell's Brazen Gates, Isaiah 45:2 by Dick Bernal

5.2 Prayer Journeys

Prayer journeys are essentially field trips to practise prayer walking and, in some cases, to enable better spiritual mapping. Taken as short-term mission trips, they include short visits to strategic cities or sections of cities within a country or continent.

A prayer journey is a trip taken by believers into one of the 10/40 Window countries [a part of the world from ten degrees north to forty degrees north of the equator, from West Africa to East Asia] to pray for the lost. Team members spend extended time prayer walking, asking God to bring the Gospel to your Unreached People Group. Prayer journeys focus on praying onsite for your unreached peoples and does not entail evangelism or mercy ministries.

-- From www.globalharvest.org

5.3 Identificational Repentance

In its most basic form, this involves corporate repentance for corporate sins. In the case of sins committed by people now dead against people now dead (for example the slave trade), living representatives of the corporate sinners repent for the sin committed to representatives of those sinned against. Four steps are involved: (1) Identify the national sin (2) confess the sin corporately and ask God for forgiveness; (3) apply Christ's blood; (4) walk in obedience and repair the damage, a step that may involve changing laws or making suitable payments to effect restitution.

-- From *"The Power to Heal the Past"* by C. Peter Wagner

5.4 Reconciliation Walk

Originated by Lynn Green of YWAM (Youth With A Mission), the reconciliation walk was designed to incorporate the ideas of identificational repentance and prayer journeys. Envisioning thousands of Christians tracing the path of the Crusades and repenting on behalf of the original Crusaders to Muslim populations.

The aim of the walk is to bring Christians face to face with Muslims and Jews with a simple message of regret and confession. It is important that the Walk is done in an attitude of reconciliation, without a trace of the arrogant spiritual that characterized the Crusades. We must go to pray for the lands crossed by the Crusaders.

-- From www.reconciliationwalk.org

5.4 Three Levels of Spiritual Warfare

First is ground-level spiritual warfare, which refers to casting demons out of believers. Second, is occult-level spiritual warfare, which refers to "dealing with powers of darkness that are more coordinated and organized than one or more demons who might happen to be afflicting a certain person at a certain time.

The Third, is strategic-level spiritual warfare, which involves confrontation with the high-ranking territorial spirits which have been assigned by Satan to coordinate the activities of the kingdom of darkness over a certain area in order to keep the people's minds blinded to the "gospel of the glory of Christ" as we read in 2 Corinthians 4:3-4.

-- From Engaging the Enemy by C. Peter Wagner

6. POINTERS THAT BRING TRANSFORMATION

- 6.1 Discern the real source of resistance and use spiritual weapons to _____ it. (Exodus 14:13-14)**
- 6.2 The degree of _____ to the gospel corresponds to the presence of evil spirits.**
- 6.3 The _____ of God's people overcome demonic resistance bringing spiritual breakthrough among the unreached and social transformation.**
- 6.4 _____ to the central focus of the Kingdom of God – bringing people to Christ.**
- 6.5 Face the fact that _____ resistance will not be overcome or that we have mixed results.**