Prayerwalking



Taking Your Faith Into The Real World

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The Eyes of Jesus

Prayerwalking is not a quick fix or surefire method for church growth. It is a holy practice, a spiritual ministry, which will touch lives and bear fruit if you persevere and continue to plead with God, who has all power in heaven and earth.

For effective prayerwalking, we must have the eyes of Jesus. Do you have the eyes of Jesus? Do you see people the way that He does? Powerful prayerwalking is a result of cultivating the eyes of Jesus. Cultivating the eyes of Jesus means developing the ability to see people and their needs.

Matthew 9:35-10:1 teaches us about the eyes of Jesus.

What three ministries did Jesus carry out (9:35)?

When did Jesus have compassion for the crowds (9:36)?

What did Jesus "see" about these people (9:36)?

How did Jesus respond to what He saw (9:37-10:1)?

When Jesus saw the crowds, He had compassion for them. He had compassion because of what He saw. He just didn't see faces and bodies. He saw needs and burdens. Jesus looked at people and knew they needed His salvation, love, and healing.

Jesus didn't just have compassion for them. Compassion is wonderful, but it means nothing if it is not accompanied by ministry. Jesus saw the crowd and their needs. He had compassion. He then developed a strategy for touching their lives. He combined compassion with ministry. He tells His disciples to pray for more laborers and then sends them out to minister in His authority and power.

Seeing people as Jesus sees them is crucial to prayerwalking. It creates compassion in us for people and their needs. It moves us to pray with great fervency and faithfulness. It also helps us to develop ministry strategies for reaching out to people.

Pray that you will develop the eyes of Jesus – seeing people as they are. Ask that He will do this for your church. Call on Him to help you develop ways that you can minister to the people you encounter.

Announcing The Truth

One of the most practical and effective tools of the prayerwalker is announcing the truth of God's Word. The Word of God is absolute and unchanging. It is always true and right. What do the following verses teach you about the Word of God?

2 Peter 1:21

2 Timothy 3:16-4:1

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Psalm 119:60

The Bible is the Word of God. God inspired and preserved His Word. Its truths are vital and eternal. God has determined to save and transform lives through the Word of God.

What does the psalmist say He has done in the following verses?

Psalm 119:13

Psalm 119:46

The psalmist says that He declared the truth of God's Word. He openly spoke of the truths in the Word of God. This provides you with a powerful example for your prayerwalking. As you prayerwalk, declare the truths of God's Word. Openly announce what the Word says about itself, God, Jesus, salvation, and the life of righteousness.

Why should you do this? Announcing the truth weakens and destroys the lies. The only way to combat lies is by announcing, believing, and living the truth. By announcing the truth, you are beginning the process of breaking through the lies and opening the way for the truth.

What does **John 8:44** say about Satan?

Satan is a liar. He works through lies. This is the way that he continues His grip in the lives of people. Satan keeps people bound through the chains of lies. The truth of the Word is the only thing that can break through these lies. Wherever there are lies, announce the truth.

Pray that you will grow in your understanding of the truth of God's Word. Plead that the Holy Spirit will empower you to announce the truth as you prayerwalk.

When you prayerwalk, one of the things that you might consider is announcing the truth of God's Word. This is a mighty weapon in spiritual warfare. Satan masquerades and hides behind lies. He uses deception to blind and bind people. By announcing the truth, you are dismantling the lies and exposing the enemy. You are binding the enemy from using the lies and deception to enslave and condemn people to hell.

The following is a basic list of biblical truths you can announce on the streets as you prayerwalk. Openly declare the truth and read the Scripture that corresponds to the truth. Announce and read the Word in faith, believing that the lies are being dismantled and that the forces of evil are being bound.

God, You are the only true God. There is no God but You and You alone. You are the living God of time and eternity (Exodus 15:11, Deuteronomy 4:35, 6:4, 32:39; 2 Samuel 7:22, 22:32; Nehemiah 9:6; Psalm 86:8, 135:5-7; Isaiah 37:16, 40:25-26, 43:3, 10-11, 46:9). All other gods are false and foolish idols that lead to meaninglessness and eternal damnation (Deuteronomy 4:9; Psalm 96:5, 115:4-8, 135:15-18; Isaiah 19:1, all of chapter 40, 42:22-24, 42:17, 44:9-20, 45:5-18, 46:1-7; Jeremiah 10:11; Acts 14:16, 1 Thessalonians 1:9).

The Bible is the Word of God (2 Timothy 3:16; 2 Peter 1:21; Psalm 18:30, 33:4, 119:89; Proverbs 30:5).

Jesus Christ is God in human flesh (John 1:1, 14; Matthew 1:22-23, Colossians 2:19).

Jesus Christ is the only way to salvation (John 3:16; Acts 4:12; 1 Timothy 2:5).

Jesus Christ is the only Savior (Matthew 9:12-13; Luke 19:10; 1 John 4:14; 1 Timothy 1:15).

Jesus has power and authority over Satan and all his demons (Mark 1:27; Luke 11:14-20; 1 John 3:8).

Jesus Christ will judge every person (Acts 10:42, 17:31; Romans 2:16; 2 Corinthians 5:10; 2 Timothy 4:1).

The Holy Spirit deals with lost people (**John 15:26, 16:7-11**).

All people have sinned against God and are guilty (Psalm 51:5-7; Romans 3:19-23, Ephesians 2:3, Isaiah 64:6). People must repent of sin and trust in Christ in order to be saved (Isaiah 55:17; 2 Corinthians 7:10; Luke 13:1-3, 24:47; Acts 3:19-20, 16:30-31; John 1:12; Ephesians 2:8-9; Romans 10:9-10; 1 John 3:23).

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