

Series: Living in God Covenant with Gladness
Power of Prayer, Part II

Heavenly Father,

Thank you for the wisdom and knowledge for this message today to this flock.

Thank you for our loyalty to this congregation from members and visitors to continue to grow this flock.

Thank you for giving us another chance on earth and what you have given us.

Strengthen our hope and joy for the Lord daily

Guide us in our life daily so we can keep our focus on you to depend on you for our needs.

Guide us and keep us away from sinners that want to guide us to rely on the world for our needs.

Prayer is powerful as we have faith in your word, grace and mercy daily.

Help and guide us to help us move sinners that want everyone to be distracted from the world out the way so we can remain in your word and righteous to you.

Forgive us for our distractions to the world.

Let us love you more and more as our personal savior and Heavenly Father to keep us focused on your kingdom forever.

Help us break away from people pleasing in the world and you guide us in our life decisions, not case managers at homeless shelters unless they are pastors/spiritual people that can offer clients spiritual guidance, people around us that want us to live sinfully to the world.

Help and guide people to expand on only communicating with their twelve disciples in their inner circle that I preached knowledge to this flock previously.

Stop us from being slaves to the world and people's opinion because your opinion matters to us while we worship your kingdom.

Help us in our times of trouble and not relying on elections and politicians to bail us out of our tough and bad economic times. You are the answer to lift us up while dealing with our trials and tribulations.

In Jesus name, Amen.

Romans 12:12 (ESV, NIV and KJV)

“Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.”

Romans 12:12 (NLT)

“Rejoice in our confident hope. Be patient in trouble, and keep on praying.”

I want to start off telling a story about myself and what I do in times of trouble as a bishop and man of God of this congregation. It is times that God praised me in times of trouble when I lived in Detroit, Chicago, Cleveland. God has provided praises to me in the times of trouble when my faith has been growing as a mustard seed. I lived in Atlanta in the past and prayed to God over and over again to help me out in tough economic times. I prayed to God when I lived in Atlanta living on the Southside of Atlanta near the West End area and I needed extra financial help from my family, so I prayed to God to let my family members or biological father help me. I say that prayer is powerful because God would not not be able to come through for me and I unexpectedly got financial assistance from my biological father by cash app and it was more money than I asked for. Turn to the person next to you and say prayer is powerful. When I made those prayers to God at the time to get financial help from my family, I was able to get Godly blessings from my family. When I lived in Atlanta, I decided to get a second job for extra income

and report my wages to the Social Security Administration every month. As a man of God and Bishop of this congregation, I honor Matthew 7:7 to continue to ask God for things in my life until I get it. I noticed today whatever I pray for that I actually get. First lady Jennifer tells me the same thing in her testimonies to me that she honors Matthew 7:7 as well. I am honest and express gratitude during my prayer life. Sometimes I may have to confess and repent to keep the devil and hell in my life. I prayed to God while I lived in Philadelphia, Detroit and Louisville and Cleveland. I thanked God in Cleveland that I was able to find permanent housing before I arrived in Cleveland in August 2017. I prayed for God to help me find and obtain permanent housing in Cleveland. I thanked God that I was not homeless when I arrived in Cleveland and I was able to go to the West Cleveland neighborhood to permanent housing. I prayed for God to guide me and help me with my personal finances because the organization that became my representative payee at the time in Cleveland had to help me pay my rent after the Social Security Administration decreased my SSI income and was not enough to pay my rent until December 2017. What I did was thank God for that organization and be able to help me pay my rent in Cleveland and I was evicted and became homeless. I wished for the same breakthrough when I arrived in Louisville that never ends up at a homeless shelter at the time either. I thanked God after I prayed to him to help me obtain permanent housing before arriving in Louisville. My prayers are powerful and my prayers get answered along as my faith remains strong for God and his kingdom. I am patient with God during my tribulations. I prayed to God for any enemies while I lived in Houston, Chicago and Atlanta. I noticed God was able to grant my prayers to remove those enemies and envy people away from me. Say prayer is powerful. I want to be honest with you to say when I may see myself speaking to myself in public is because I am speaking to my personal savior Christ Jesus. That is 100% fact and truth. I am a legitimate Bishop and man of God. People in New York and the Bronx do not see that. People in New York and the Bronx do not appreciate me as a man of God living for God as my personal savior. On August 28, I am leaving the Bronx and New York to go back to the Detroit community. I am not listening to the world on that transition and decision. I am praying and listening to God praying to God on that decision and the truth is that I am getting signs from God and his kingdom to go back to a city where I got a proven track record in preaching the gospel and helping the homeless from the church Benevolence Ministry. I had economic stability when I lived in Detroit and Southeast Michigan because I only been homeless once in Detroit when I first moved to Detroit in 2017. That is 100% truth and fact.

What I am about to say is really beneficial to homeless men and women in Detroit and southeast Michigan. I want to say this comment is beneficial to homeless men and women in Detroit because it explains my proven track record in southeast Michigan. There Are many homeless men and women in Detroit dealing with tribulations, such as their sufferings while living on the streets dealing with food insecurity, walking around with lack of employment with no access to public transportation to get to homeless shelters to help themselves. I usually want to give to every struggling person I walk by in Detroit in times of need, but I usually never have any lost money on hand to give. I use a lot of the technology when I go in the store and consume while I was living in Detroit. Also, I found out that Detroit has really bounced and came back left Detroit. I want to say that case managers at homeless shelters in the Bronx do their jobs with envy, jealousy and by signs of deception. That is 100% truth and fact.

1. We must be patient in our tribulations by seeking God in our life and letting God us all the way to our gift of eternal life. Case managers at homeless shelters in the Bronx are bad and do not

believe in eternal and everlasting life. Case managers at homeless shelters in the Bronx do not believe in growing their hearts as a mustard seed to heaven and so into the sinful world. Turn to the person next to you and say case managers in the Bronx are wrong. Turn to the person on the other side of you and say case managers at the Bronx are disgraceful sinners to the world. Times I was homeless at homeless shelters even at Star of Hope Mission in Houston that I let God at the throne in heaven worry about my tribulations. That's why I like Christ-centered and biblical homeless shelters better because homeless shelters in the Bronx are sinful and ungodly. That is the 100% truth and fact. *"Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ: by whom also we have access by faith into his grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulations worketh patience; and patience, experience; and experience, hope: and hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us."*-Romans 5:1-5 (KJV) *"Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we[a] have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we[b] boast in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we[c] also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us."*-Romans 5:1-5 (NIV). *"Therefore, since we have been made right in God's sight by faith, we have peace with God because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us. Because of our faith, Christ has brought us into this place of undeserved privilege where we now stand, and we confidently and joyfully look forward to sharing God's glory. We can rejoice, too, when we run into problems and trials, for we know that they help us develop endurance. And endurance develops strength of character, and character strengthens our confident hope of salvation. And this hope will not lead to disappointment. For we know how dearly God loves us, because he has given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with his love."*-Romans 5:1-5 (NLT). *"So now, since we have been made right in God's sight by faith in his promises, we can have real peace with him because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us. Because of our faith, he has brought us into this place of highest privilege where we now stand, and we confidently and joyfully look forward to actually becoming all that God has had in mind for us to be. We can rejoice, too, when we run into problems and trials, for we know that they are good for us—they help us learn to be patient. And patience develops strength of character in us and helps us trust God more each time we use it until finally our hope and faith are strong and steady. Then, when that happens, we are able to hold our heads high no matter what happens and know that all is well, for we know how dearly God loves us, and we feel this warm love everywhere within us because God has given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with his love"*-Romans 5:1-5 (TLB).

2. We must have hope in God and his kingdom even during times of trouble when we are dealing with tough and bad economic times. Again, I want to say we do not want to rely on politicians in this election or previous elections to lift us up. We need to let God from the throne in heaven lift us up from the sinful world through prayer and dealing with our tribulations. Kamala Harris and Donald Trump are not God. Kamala Harris and Donald Trump are trying to be God in this election trying to please voters to vote for them. We need to give our confidence to God and his kingdom to lift us up from the sinful world. When we are in an election year, we do not need to put ourselves in the position to become a people pleaser and let people please us. We need to open

our hearts to God by strengthening our prayer life to Christ Jesus and stop relying on the world and politicians to lift us up. *“Obviously, I am not trying to win the approval of people, but of God.”-Galatians 1:10 (NLT). Am I now trying to win the approval of human beings, or of God? Or am I trying to please people? If I were still trying to please people, I would not be a servant of Christ.”-Galatians 1:10 (NIV). “For I know persuade men, or God? Or do I seek to please men? For if I yet pleased men, I should not be a servant of Christ.”-Galatians 1:10 (KJV).*

3. We must be constant in prayer and to God daily while on earth. Constant in the scripture is saying we must stick with God in our life daily when good, bad and tough economic times. That’s why we need to constantly and rely on God and his kingdom for our answers, not Donald Trump and/or Kamala Harris in this election. All you are doing is feeding yourself to the sinful world and you do not need to be conformed in this sinful world. God's kingdom is the path of righteousness and we need to stay on that path to righteousness with more of your faith in God and his kingdom daily.
4. Let God take you whatever he wants to take you in your life through prayer. *“Trust in the Lord in all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding”-Proverbs 3:5 (NLT).* Homeless men and women in the Bronx need to honor this scripture daily while dealing with their tribulations because case managers and homeless shelters in the Bronx are bad. *“Trust in the Lord in all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight-Proverbs 3:5 (NIV). “Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.-Proverbs 3:5 (ESV). “If you want favor with both God and man, and a reputation for good judgment and common sense, then trust in the Lord completely, don’t ever trust yourself. In everything you do, put God first, and he will direct you and crown your efforts with success-Proverbs 3:5 (TLB).* If you are homeless in the Bronx, case managers and homeless shelters are bad based on comments from the NYPD in June 2024 until now. More homeless men and women in the Bronx do not need to depend on fraudulent homeless shelters and case managers that lean on their own understanding that make them ungodly. That is the truth and 100% fact.
5. We need to pray to God and strengthen our personal finances by paying off what we owe to people and different debt collectors. Right now, my student loan debt from my undergraduate years have decreased to nearly \$67,000. We do not need to rely on the government to help us pay off our debt. We need to depend and call on God to pay off debts. Turn to the person next to you and say I want God to help me pay off my debts. *“Render therefore to all their dues: tribute to whom tribute is due; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honor to whom honor. Owe no man anything, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law. For this, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not covet; and if there be any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. Love worketh no ill to his neighbor: therefore love is the fulfilling of the law. And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light.”Romans 13:7-14 (KJV). “Give to everyone what you owe them: If you owe taxes, pay taxes; if revenue, then revenue; if respect, then respect; if honor, then honor. Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for whoever loves others has fulfilled the law. The commandments, You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder,” You*

shall not steal, You shall not covet, and whatever other command there may be, are summed up in this one command: Love your neighbor as yourself. Love does no harm to a neighbor. Therefore love is the fulfillment of the law. Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying. But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill the lusts thereof. And do this, understanding the present time: The hour has already come for you to wake up from your slumber, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light. Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy. Rather, clothe yourselves with the Lord.”-Romans 13:7-14 (NIV).

6. Don't let sinners and ungodly people hold you back. *“And do this, understanding the present time: The hour has already come for you to wake up from your slumber, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light. Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy. Rather, clothe yourselves with the Lord”-Proverbs 4:12-14(NIV).* When I read and think about the scriptures, I think about how I will never let anyone hold me back spiritually based on what I learned at Star of Hope Mission in Houston last year. I do not let no one here in New York, Brooklyn or the Bronx hold back from God's wisdom that I gained from Houston while I was in the Spiritual Recovery Program at Star of Hope Mission. Will no one here will hold me back biblically to what I have to do to get back to Detroit where the church is legally registered and able to do business in the state of Michigan for many years. My mind is focused on August 28, 2024 to leave New York State to move back to Detroit to manage my church operations and where I have a proven track record to help the homeless and poor. I continue to hold on to what I was taught by God word and spiritual staff at Star of Hope Mission in Houston last year while I was in the Spiritual Recovery Program. Turn to the person next to you and say do not let no hold you back from serving God and the Holy Spirit.

I am grateful this congregation's new partnership with the Detroit Lions and partnership will start in the morning of August 29, 2024. The Detroit Lions express their partnership with me and the congregation because they like our efforts and initiatives that crackdown and end homelessness, such as Homelessness Financial Relief Program, Emergency Assistance Program, Down Payment Assistance Program and Celebrate Recovery. Detroit Lions like that I am a motivated religious leader that cares about the poor and ending the homelessness. More people support my proven track record for myself and the church in Detroit, Chicago and Houston. I will take part in those partnership meetings in Detroit on August 29, 2024. My executive office staff in Detroit is working out the details for the partnership meeting on August 29, 2024. The congregation has a 23% public charity status helping the homeless and poor in Central time zone states, Detroit and Midwest in 2024 based on financial records and receipts. Update Missions Reports are released online and on the church website usually until the end of the year.