



“Seek ye first the Kingdom of GOD” by Mrs Johana Mukhavhuli , Wednesday Service, the 18th April 2012.

Matthew 6:33

“33 But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.” Matt 6:33, NKJV.

Nowadays too many people go to church for their own personal reasons and are not really interested in God. First and foremost we must look for the kingdom of God. This will make us unique. Even our lives will be different from the live of the others in the community.

The word of God in **Isaiah 55:11** states ***“11 So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please, And it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.” Isa 55:11, NKJV.***

God wants His word to dwell in us because He is the word. It must dwell in us. Today people mix God with their gods. They feel that God is not enough.

Some of us only go as far at the door of the church but do not go in. We don't get involved with what is happening inside the church.

Let's go after the word of God not the miracles.

One artist sings to say that everything that God does is good and that is why I say it is well with him if God is with him but because he is with God he says all is well. He says it is well even when there is no food in the house. This is only possible if you are full of the word of God and His presence.

Even if you don't eat good food and where you are staying is not a nice place you are going to say it is well, it is well if I am with the Lord.



Isaiah 55:6

"6 Seek the Lord while He may be found, Call upon Him while He is near." Isa 55:6, NKJV.

Look for the Lord whilst he can still be found. There will come a time when you will look for God and not find Him. His grace will move away. So look for Him whilst He can still be found. Some are in hospital as we speak and they are looking for God can't find Him, they are looking for a pastor who can come and speak the word of God to them or read it for them or at least pray for them and none of the above is coming their way in that hospital bed.

There are Christians who are still confused. They are standing at the door of the church blocking the way even for those who want to come in.

The bible says Maria spoke to Jesus Christ but when Martha came she bowed down to Him. Maria reached Jesus Christ but she did not really get to Him, but Martha knew how to arrive. Let's not miss the destination. People are running up and down looking for miracles. The destination is ***the kingdom of God and His righteousness*** **Matt 6:33, NKJV**. They are looking for a church that does this and that miracle. *"I now have a car; I have now built a house because of this church."* They will never tell you about the word of God, all they talk about is what miracle happened in church.

Let's love the word of God more as it will build us and it will also build the church. Let's not stand at the door of the church, were we can't receive the word of God as this will make our church, a place where people will devour each other.

If we have God in our midst, God will open our eyes so that we can see even that which has not yet happened. Allow the word of God to take root in you. One day, you will say *"When I heard the word, I received it and it has done something in my life."*



“Prayer Points” by Pastor Helen Raboshakga.

Let's start with repentance of all our sins including coming to church late. People come to church late habitually.

01. Praying for our spiritual father

1 Timothy 2:1-2 *“Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, 2 for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence.”* **1 Tim 2:1-2, NKJV.**

The bible instructs us to pray for our leaders so that we can live a quiet and peaceable life. Pray even for your spiritual parents and leaders.

02 To be advisable

We must listen to our pastors and follow their advice. When they speak it is because God has told them to speak to us. So let's ask God for the grace to be advisable.

03 Praying for our enemies

Matthew 5:44

“44 But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you,” **Matt 5:44, NKJV.**

We must pray and love our enemies. We must not just do it as a habit but do it from our hearts.

04 Caring for each other

Heb 10:24 *“24 And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works,”* **Hebrews 10:24, NKJV.**

Some of us don't even want to be corrected by our spiritual parents. When we do this we are refusing correction from our God as He is the



one who sent them. The grace to receive instruction and correction from the servants of God.

05. **Unity**

1 Corinthians 12:24-26

"24 but our presentable parts have no need. But God composed the body, having given greater honor to that part which lacks it, 25 that there should be no schism in the body, but that the members should have the same care for one another. 26 And if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; or if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it." **1 Cor 12:24-26, NKJV.**

If we don't love each other we won't go far and we can't be united. In the kingdom of God it is not about the fact that somebody is more educated than the other one but the fact is that God looks at our hearts.

06. **Forgiveness**

Matthew 6:15

"15 But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses." **Matt 6:15, NKJV.**

God is commanding us to forgive everyone who offends or hurts us. This is not an advice or a request but a command of the Lord. If we fail to forgive others God will also not forgive our sins.

07. **Seek the Lord**

2 Chronicles 26:5

"5 He sought God in the days of Zechariah, who had understanding in the visions of God; and as long as he sought the Lord, God made him prosper." **2 Chron 26:5, NKJV.**

We won't have to sweat if we continually seek the Lord, every plan we make will be successful. Ask God for the grace to seek Him continually.



08. Humility

James 4:1

"Where do wars and fights come from among you? Do they not come from your desires for pleasure that war in your members?" James 4:1, NKJV.

God says when we are humble He will give us the desires of our hearts. We must forget ourselves and humble ourselves. Ask God for the grace to be humble before God and before others.

09. Talking too much

James 3:6-10 *"6 And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity. The tongue is so set among our members that it defiles the whole body, and sets on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire by hell. 7 For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and creature of the sea, is tamed and has been tamed by mankind. 8 But no man can tame the tongue. It is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison. 9 With it we bless our God and Father, and with it we curse men, who have been made in the similitude of God. 10 Out of the same mouth proceed blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not to be so." James 3:6-10, NKJV.*

Let's pray for the grace not to talk too much but to be better listeners. Ask God for the grace to keep quiet and listen.

10. Obedience

If we keep on sinning or making mistakes we make the pastors to work overtime. Silly mistakes mean we are not growing, it means that we are not listening to the servant of God as they speak as instructed by God. By doing this we are demotivating them. When we listen we motivate them and they will be happy and encouraged.

Let's ask for forgiveness for doing this unto the servants of God.

11. Youth

Let's pray for the youth to walk upright in God and that they will not



lose focus. We must always pray for them as the devil always targets them as they are the future. The devil knows if he can get one youth in the family he will torment the whole family through that one child.

12. **Praying for our Families**

Parents, children, brothers, sisters and other relatives including those who are not yet born again. The bible says we must be faithful in praying for them so that they can be become born again. In order to reach them we must love them. We must attract them to us through our lives by giving and showing them love. The fact that we are born again must not make people run away from us.

13. **People who are sick in hospital**

There are nurses and doctors who are the agents of darkness who take the blood of people in the hospital. Let's pray that when these agents want to kill people God will talk to them and instill fear in them and that they must know that God will require the blood of those people they are killing from them.

14. **Spirit of Influence**

Matthew 14:8

*"6 But when Herod's birthday was celebrated, the daughter of Herodias danced before them and pleased Herod. 7 Therefore he promised with an oath to give her whatever she might ask. 8 So she, having been prompted by her mother, said, "Give me John the Baptist's head here on a platter." 9 And the king was sorry; nevertheless, because of the oaths and because of those who sat with him, he commanded it to be given to her. 10 So he sent and had John beheaded in prison. 11 And his head was brought on a platter and given to the girl, and she brought it to her mother." **Matt 14:6-11, NKJV.***

King Herod became angry when John told him that what he was doing was a sin. The mother of the daughter of Herod influenced her badly to ask of her father, the King, the head of John. This is bad influence



from the mother. As Christians we must give a positive influence on the children.

15. **An exemplary life as parents**

1 Peter 2:12

"12 having your conduct honorable among the Gentiles, that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may, by your good works which they observe, glorify God in the day of visitation." **1 Peter 2:12,**

NKJV.

Let's live a life that will make our children to follow in our footsteps and say to us "We want to praise and worship your God." But when we do not live an exemplary life, the children will rebel against us. An exemplary life will make people want to come to God.

16. **Building Project of the church**

Let's ask God to give us the grace to contribute to the building project. Help us to be practical in our request.

17. **Crusade at Basani**

Let's pray for the Crusade at Basani. The devil will fight this as he knows that souls will be won into the kingdom of God. So let's prepare through prayer for the crusade in Jesus' name.

18. **Our Spiritual father and his family**

Let's always pray for them as they always pray for us.

19. **Change**

Matthew 18:3

"3 and said, "Assuredly, I say to you, unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven." **Matt 18:3, NKJV.**



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That all the words we hear from the servant of God must bring change in our lives. Ask God for the grace to be humble enough to allow His word to change us in Jesus' name.

20. **Thanksgiving**

We thank for the grace of being in this service and the word that we have heard today.

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