

Prayer

I want to go over 1 Tim 2:1. Chiefly, this has to do with the morning and evening sacrifices. We need to come to understand what Paul was urging and admonishing the churches to do.

1 Tim 2:1 — Paul urged and admonished, an urging admonition. An admonition or admonish is like urging or exhorting. He knew it was so important he urged them. You see petition, intercession, thanksgiving to be made there on behalf of all men, Kings, people in high responsibility and high authority.

Then Paul said for such praying is good, right, pleasing and acceptable to God our Savior who wishes and desires, He desires all men to be saved and to reach Salvation, coming to the knowledge of the truth.

That is to recognize, perceive and discern the truth and to know precisely and correctly the truth. We are set free by the truth if we continue in the Word of God.

Petition means an earnest, deeply earnest, serious, of an impressive serious nature. This makes an impression upon our God. Unless we're earnest and serious about what we are praying it doesn't make an imprint. With a serious nature we invoke the name of our Master Yahshua then it is heard in heaven. It must be offered by a courageous heart (Lev Amatz).

1 Jn 3:22; 5:14-15 — This can only be heard when offered by one who is doing what is pleasing to our Father and knows (has confidence) he is heard. In order to impress our Father our petition is of affect, to impress deeply due to our seriousness, an earnest plea for help. A petition is an entreaty, requesting a right or a benefit that you have as citizens of the commonwealth of Israel. We have a right to certain things in the constitution. So we make request to our God in heaven for these rights. A petition is requesting a right or benefit from a person in authority.

For example we are not supposed to have mortgages according to the covenant, the promises God made us. Where is it promised we are not to have mortgages? We will have mortgages if we don't petition our God! Mk 10:29 — We don't get a mortgaged house for a house given up. A mortgage is an injustice. We need to petition our God in heaven saying, "Why do we have mortgages here on earth when we have given up our houses?" It is an injustice. Why isn't the promised fulfilled? We need to besiege the throne of God with an earnest plea, since we are to owe no one anything but a debt of love. We need to hold this right and benefit up to our Father until He hears our plea.

The gold and the silver has to come in (Hag 2:7-9), the wealth of the nations is to be brought in. We continue to make request to shake the nations to remove the bondage of mortgages, an earnest, serious request. Hag 2:7-9 is a direct prophesy of US, a prophetic projection over into our time. We will not be able to make enough money with our own hands to do it. He must shake the nations. He is waiting for us to make earnest petitions before the throne.

Prayer is to address, a prayer to our Father in Messiah invoking the one name of the mediator Yahshua the Messiah (1 Tim 2:5).

Say *Messiah*. There is only one Messiah, there may be many Yahshua's but only one Messiah, the One who ascended on high. In Acts 2:36 He became both sovereign and Messiah. A prayer is to make a fervent request. It has heat, it is hot. Fervent is to plead before the throne. The pleading is what came forth from the heart — plead, cry, ask, implore, beseech. Lk 21:36 — To beg in order that we may stand before Him someday.

How do we know we are truly the children of God? Because we cry out "ABBA, we need help, we need houses, land, etc." We need to be so identified with the needs of the community, we need to pray for our industries. We need to plead (now especially about mortgages). We need to plead for the wealth of the nations to come in.

Acts 4:32-36 — Isn't that what happened in the first community? Ben Nabiy sold his land and the wealth was distributed.

Then you see in Acts 5 about Annanias and Sapphira. They sold property but kept some for themselves, they lied to the Holy Spirit and were cut off. It was an example to us, we will be cut off from God and may as well be dead. You are cut off when you sin a sin of that nature, you're cut off and can't be reconnected. As if you violate the Sabbath, even if no one sees you you're cut off and will be dead (as at Breaking of Bread, 1 Cor

11:30-32).

To pray is to ask imploringly — to appeal, to plead, to beg for urgently, in the same way Paul was urging in 1 Tim 2:1. Do you see how it goes together?! Paul knew they would fall away without this in 1 Tim 2. They would be like the churches in Christianity, praying like dead Christians without fervor. We take total identity in His house, with zeal for it. Here we are His walls and roof. Paul was imploring them to do this. Paul was urging the church who was supposed to be urging our Father. These prayers will be made by tears pretty soon. As we besiege the beautiful city of God. It is surrounding the throne of grace. There is a surrounding the throne. This is besieging the throne with aggressive intent, to lay hold of something, to seize it. Jacob wrestled with God until he received it. Who is bold enough to approach God? He is looking for someone bold enough to be concerned enough to plead and beg. It is like we harass God for these requests. Our Master taught us to do this in Lk 18:1-8. He wants us to be as bold as that widowed woman. Will He find faith on the earth?

Intercession/interceding — What does *interceding* mean? We plead for another on their behalf as a mediator. It is an entreaty in favor of another because they can't pray so we pray for them on their behalf. Maybe it's someone who's cut off and doesn't know it, we intercede for them.

Thanksgiving — 1 Tim 2:1 — Thanksgiving is an act of giving thanks, the acknowledgement of a favor — a gift, benefit. It is sharing gratitude, our gratefulness. It is an expression of gratitude. What is expressed out of our mouth is the overflow of the heart. What's in the well comes up in the bucket. Thanksgiving are things coming forth from a grateful heart appreciating Salvation. Thanksgiving is given by thanksgivers, not thankless people, not showing a feeling gratitude. They are ungrateful. Did you ever know anyone like that?

Yadon is grateful for Salvation, for his freedom from sin. Our Father named him and us.

Being thankless is not appreciating or understanding the true value of the blood, the value of Salvation. We need to be thanksgivers, those who give thanks. The tribe of Naphtali are thanksgivers, they are an example to all the tribes. They excel in giving thanks. Thanksgiving is an expression from a heart full of gratitude.

Thanksgiving overflows from this heart.

Like an orange you squeeze to get the essence He wants our juice. The expression of the orange is juice, the expression of our heart is thanksgiving, thanksgiving of the heart. Do you (or did you) know of anyone expressionless? Someone empty, empty of gratitude? Someone with a heart void of gratitude?

Expression is the act of expressing or conveying, it represents in words our heart to God. Expression re-presents our heart to God in words, music, songs and dance. This is what a festival means. We will learn this in our festivals. Re-presenting our heart to God in words, music, songs and dance will be the manifestation of thanksgiving which expresses gratitude. This expresses our appreciation. If you appreciate something you know what the true value of that is. Do you show your appreciation?

Do you appreciate your Father in heaven? Your wife? Your brothers and sisters? Do you show it??

The manner in which one expresses his heart before our Father indicates our true value and worth or our feelings of ungratefulness. The glory we have or we don't have. We either express gratefulness or ungratefulness. Do you experience emptiness, we can't come before Him empty-handed. Our facial expressions convey special feelings. It is the outward manifestation of the inward feeling and inner mood and disposition. It shows what is going on in our heart. To express is to let one know or set forth in words — to express one's hearts desire or one's wishes, to make one's feelings known or to manifest or communicate.

Prayer is expounding and putting into words what's in our hearts. By this we are being recognized before our God. Dan 6:11 — As Daniel was as one highly esteemed he went into the room, got on his knees and gave thanks (first) then he made petitions. He asked for help three times a day. Dan 9:23; 10:11,19 — He was recognized in heaven by God. He asked for justice, he asked God fervently — that is why he was held in such high esteem. Lk 18:1-8 — We wouldn't lose heart, we wouldn't turn coward, we wouldn't give up. A coward is frightened with threats. A coward is one who lacks courage in the face of danger or pain, an ignobly frightened or timid person. Your flesh is timid but your spirit and heart is courageous. A coward is one with his tail between his legs, he is lacking courage in the face of danger or suffering (in the face of difficulty or opposition). Especially when everyone is looking at you.

Jdg 6:12 — Courage is the state or quality of mind or spirit that enables one to face danger with self-control, confidence, bravery or valor. You know all about Gideon. The word courage comes from the word heart, as seat of your feelings. Courage enables a person to be steadfast in meeting danger or adversity (valiant, courage, bravery, valor, boldness; Jdg 6:12 — fearless courage).

We know what it takes to be heard in heaven. It is our heart that's concerned about God's purpose. Included in our prayers and petitions is Proverbs 2 about wisdom and understanding. What if we asked for wisdom and understanding and got it? He will give us wisdom and understanding (more wisdom than Solomon) if we lift up our voice and ask for them, along with our Master's prayer that He taught the disciples in Mt 6:9-13 (Jms 1:5).

All the needs that are essential for our existence is the reason for shaking the nations and our morning and evening sacrifices where we do what He urges us to do (1 Tim 2:1).