

a.w. Tozer Audio Prayers - Part 5

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A.W. Tozer's sermon emphasizes the urgent need for personal and collective revival through repentance, prayer, and a renewed commitment to Jesus Christ.

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Scripture: Genesis 28:16, 2 Chronicles 7:14, Psalm 51:10, Matthew 16:24, John 3:3, Romans 12:2, Ephesians 2:8-9, James 4:8, 1 John 1:9, Revelation 3:20

Topics: "Repentance", "Spiritual Revival"

Description

This sermon is a heartfelt prayer for repentance, revival, and surrender to God. It emphasizes the need for individuals to acknowledge their sins, seek forgiveness, and fully surrender to the Spirit of God. The speaker prays for a spiritual awakening, urging listeners to turn away from worldly temptations and embrace a life dedicated to Christ. The sermon concludes with a plea for salvation, transformation, and a renewed commitment to follow Jesus wholeheartedly.

Transcript

Father, bless thou this exhortation. Up our shoulders, Father, and send us out a happy people, for surely we ought to be a happy people, since thou art our Father and Jesus our Brother, and the Holy Ghost our indwelling Patron. Save us from errors, and help us to sing unto the Lord new songs, and rejoice continually, for O Lord has set our feet upon a rock, putting new song in our mouth, even praises unto our King.

Dear Heavenly Father, we pray this night, O Heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ thy Son, we bring our petition. Father, we apologize to thee this night for the way we've been living. We're sorry for carelessness and that insidious, mean, lying, who cares nothing for the troubles of Jacob.

O God, O God, we pray this evening that thou wilt burn to stone. We dare to ask, and we do ask. Don't let anybody escape the arrows of the Almighty.

Don't let anybody escape the nips of the divine. We beseech thee that thou wouldst hold you upon us, with one after the other, board members and commission teachers, people who have a reputation for being holy. All of us together will see how desperately we need a visitation from thee, and how we're hindering it by our wrath, thinking in the wrath, praying in the wrath, expecting in the wrath, living in the wrath.

O Lord, we thank thee there's a way out. Take this blood of Jesus, cleanse us from all sin, and for the blood cleanse of the Holy Ghost and Holy Spirit. So we pray this night, there might be some, even one, that will say, I am the man, I am, and will do something about it.

We believe that if we repent of the wrath, thou wilt repent of the wrath that thou art leaving us in, and will bring us out to a wealthy place. Son of God, immortal love, we that have not seen thy faith, thy faith in faith alone, embrace believing where we cannot prove. We believe tonight.

We reject the claims of men, and will follow none of them. But we own thy claim, O man who is God. We admit the validity of thy claim.

Teach us, we pray thee, to bring in our scattered lives and concentrate them upon thee, as Paul did and the other Saints. Teach us, we pray, to listen to the sound of thy musical voice until we're charmed and enthralled and enraptured by it. That we might not go our sleepy way, being mediocre, half-awake, christened, while the coming of the Lord draws nigh.

Grant, we pray, that these friends may take this home and do something about it. We ask in Christ name, Amen. O God, O God, how most the world is spinning on.

Time is getting running out. Children are becoming youth, and youth becoming middle-aged, and middle-aged are getting older and older. And thou hast said, redeem the time for the days of evil.

Lord, let us fail here. Lord, thou dost want us to be revived again. Revive thy people, Lord, individual people.

And if numbers of individual people can band together, O, revive thy people. Amen. Grant, Lord, to help.

Now we have people, just for a minute more of prayer, who would say, Mr. Tozer, please pray for me, that I might have in me so alone, apart from our relation to others, that I might have a new inflow, our impurity and grace, that I might be a revived soul. Pray for me. Would you raise a hand? Father, bless thy word.

Help us to see how wondrous are thy goodness in our ways, how kind thou art. Receive without end the present. The hard, obscure things as well as the easy, plain things.

We thank thee, Lord, that these easy, plain things outnumber the others. Grant us power to be the one. Bless thou the word.

Thank you. O, Father, we pray for all these who raise their hands. O God, we pray that they can leave from their homes, they can leave from their little block of society, they can leave, we pray, from the little things that interest them, and take them aside, as we do, into the desert, take them into the silence of their own room, take them somewhere in and off of the old business where they come to, where they take in Christ as their all in all for us, and surrender to the Spirit of God, doing them, guiding them through, beating them inward and outward and around the knees with love all of the water to the fish, all of the air to the bird on the wing, and more than that, all of the soul to the human body, all of the spirit to the soul, may they do this, Lord, because Jesus says, disturb them, Lord, don't let them forget this, don't let them settle down, O God, to another youth and brother, and may this be the reason that all that we heard over the last few weeks, we heard today, will become a living reality in our hearts.

We ask this in Christ. and it's up to you, too. Even though that doesn't quite, not quite imbue with the message, I have a feeling that a lot of people have fetters, I mean, presenting them from underneath moral understanding with what I've talked about.

Let's trust God to break the fetters, and let us stand. Then we are left right. Heavenly Father, we thank thee for all thy good things.

All thy children, every color, and every age. Jacob did well all the days, through months, and later times. Holy Anne, so did his frontwoman, and did it bravely.

Henry Sousa, the don of the cross. Francis Harada, oh God, we could name them. The whole telephone directory was filled up, full of them.

If we had time, we'd listen to this one story, and it proves shining like stars in the dark world. Some of them are gone, some are still among us, but they shine from the dark world. We show forth the glory of him who calls us out of darkness into his light, and we thank thee for every one of them.

Oh God, help us. It were as bad as Jacob. Help us, we pray, to be humble, and to be persistent, and to hang on so long, and to believe thoroughly, and to be willing to take a stigma of a cross-bearing life.

How about this, this company of people? We thank thee for them. We pray that tonight, as we gather, that there may be some who will make specific decisions. Some young people will be here tonight, probably, and maybe some who will wander in that aren't Christians.

We pray for all of them. We pray that I'll prepare speakers and singers and those in charge, and musicians, and everybody, that there will be unanimity within our spirits, so that the Holy Ghost can without hindrance lay conviction upon those who need it, and give faith to those who are suspicious in faith. Let us now pray thee to Christ our Lord.

O Lord Jesus, Thou art nearer than our breath. Thou art nearer than the impulses of our nerves. Thou art nearer than our thoughts.

O Lord Jesus, Thou art here, walking amid the seven golden candlesticks. Thine eyes like fire, and a sword going out of thy mouth, and thy head white as wool, and thy face as the sun shining in strength. Thou art great about the patches of golden girdle, thou art the High Priest of the Church.

O Lord Jesus, we pray for the lost sheep here tonight. We pray, Lord Jesus, for the half-saved sister. We pray for the backslide.

We pray for those who have turned from the thing they knew was right. Their first memory is a Sunday school class. A prayer table.

Oh, they've turned from it and only go to church occasionally, and then only to listen and go home. My Lord Jesus, tonight we pray thee help such poor people who have listened to the voice of the animal, the dull voice of the brain, and they've ignored that in them which cries for God and for life. Have mercy, we pray thee, upon them, and how the two voices are sounding, the voice of Esau and the voice of Jacob, the voice of earth and the voice of heaven, sounding.

We pray that they may have the wisdom and courage to turn their backs on the silent voice of the world and turn to the Lord Jesus Christ while it's called to be. Praise God, this is thy meeting. We don't know

what to do with it.

It's up to thee, Lord. Praise God tonight. Don't let the devil have everybody.

Please, God, save some for thyself. Bless thee some for thyself. Our God, our hope in ages past, help in ages past, our hope for years to come.

We lift our hearts to thee. We thank thee, thou didst ever create us. We grieve that we ever marred that creation by sin, but having done that, we rejoice that thou didst find a way through love to save us the sacrifice of thyself.

He who was from the beginning yielded himself on a tree that he might die. We thank thee, Father. We can never thank thee enough.

We pray thee for those who are lost in our midst this evening. Oh, Holy Spirit, do thou draw and win, pull. May the unsaved hear the voice of Jesus say, Come unto me and rest.

May the thirsty hearing say, Come unto me and drink. May the blind hearing say, Come unto me and see. May the dead hearing say, Come unto me and live.

Oh, Lord, have mercy. Father, Oh, God, Lord, hear us. Lord, hear.

Like Jacob attempted to say, Thou art in this place, and I knew it not. But we did know it after a fashion. This is none other than the gate of heaven.

This is the house of God. Bethel. We will raise our altar here at this presence.

Now we pray for men and women, and particularly young people, who are charmed. A serpent of the world has charmed them like a bird. They gaze with fascination upon all the showy glamour of the world.

They would die to become famous. Women here would give their twenty years of their lives, five years to become women. Great God, we are sick, sick, sick inside that we have sought the gutter instead of the clouds.

We have learned to love and live in, admire and imitate and follow the filthiest, lowest, most profane element in society. And there is a light, and men don't see it, and a voice, and they don't hear it. And a presence in it.

Oh, we pray. Get hold of men and women and young people and children tonight and pull them out of this mud, moral and intellectual mud. Get them out of it, we pray.

We pray that thou will give to all of us who have been here tonight a renewed and vivid sense of the sacredness and spiritual allure of the world that thou hast created. Sin we have no part with, and there is nothing good to be said about it. No eloquence can remove from it the ugly bestiality of sin.

But apart from sin, O God, thou art in the world. Pray to help us morning and night and all during the day and night and wherever we may be to keep in contact with thee, knowing that he is in the world. And the great truth of the world is the world knows him not.

But O we Christians can say, Thank thee, Father, we know thee. We know thee through Jesus Christ thy Son. We call thee Father.

We have called thee ever Father. We have stayed our hearts on thee. Blessed be thy name.

Now we trust thee. We're going to pray for you in the morning. O Lord, we pray for these five persons who have raised their hands and asked us to remember them.

O Lord Jesus, the world is so full of temptations and the magnetism of the world is all but impossible to resist. These people want to do it. They want to turn from everything that feeds them, Lord, and follow it.

They want to be thine completely, fully. We pray for them. I said pray one for another.

We lift our hearts in prayer now and ask, O Lord, that you will help these five persons to put away their resistance, throw down all opposition, and meekly surrender now their hearts to thee. For thee to come in, take over, set up thy throne and reign from within. King of their lives by thy grace, grant this, we pray thee, Lord Jesus, even right now for thy name's sake.

Would you bow your heads in a moment of prayer with me, please? O Lord Jesus, thy going forth has been from of old, even forever. Thou art moving from eternity that was to eternity to be, passing by. And the magnetism of thy presence is finding a few, a few that are one with thee and yearning and longing, a few.

O Christ, even as thou didst walk down the streets of Jerusalem and they came out of houses and leaned out windows, others flowered and walked away, so it is today. My Lord, we beseech thee, help those that are rejecting. We pray thee, let them reject.

Those that will receive, we beseech thee, let them receive. We say, Selah. Amen.

So be it, God. Our invisible, mysterious person, present in our midst, the physician is near, the sanctifying, healing Jesus, the Lord and the Savior is near. We pray thee for those who, up to this hour, have been careless, shallow, modern, irresponsible believers.

We want tonight to change all that and to settle it with thee that they will take thee as their Savior now, that they will make thee thine, theirs, that they will make themselves thine, that they will lay hold of thee by all the aggressive acts of their personality, believe on thy name, receive thy person, cease to be sinners, and move over into the new and heavenly birth that makes them children of God, granted for thy name's sake.

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