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Lesson 1

Intercession – 1

Definition & Examples

1. Objective

To understand the definition of intercession and to know its importance for one's ministry.

2. Goals

- To define the word intercession.
- To explain what intercession depends upon.

3. Biblical Foundation – Jeremiah 33:3

'Call to Me, and I will answer you, and show you great and mighty things, which you do not know.'

4. Definition of Intercession

Action of presenting a plea or requests to God, generally on behalf of others. Both the Hebrew word "Paga" and the Greek "Enteuxis" mean "to meet a person", and their meaning derives from "seeking one's help".

5. The bases for intercession

A sense of solidarity amongst men that prompts one to seek the other's good.

The conviction on the intercessor's part that God can save or bless the needy person for whom one is interceding.

6. Examples of intercession

Ask why they were intercessors, what they interceded for, and what happened to their intercession, so that the student gets it clear that God does indeed respond to intercession. Let the students find the answers; just help them with the questions.

A. Abraham	Genesis 18: 23-33
B. Moses	Exodus 32: 11-14, 21-24
C. Samuel	1 Samuel 7: 5 & 8-9
D. Isaiah and Ezekiel	Isaiah 37: 5-38
E. Daniel	Daniel 9: 1-9
F. Jesus	John 17: 15-21
G. Paul	Romans 1: 9

RECOMMENDATIONS

The book “The Intercessor” by Norman Grubb is an interesting and edifying biography to study and use as an example for the class.

ASSIGNMENT

The student should do a piece of work about the areas in which our country needs Inter-cession.

Furthermore it is recommended that some type of project be planned in conjunction with the Seminar on Evangelism.

Lesson 2

Intercession – 2

Victory through Prayer

1. Objective

To understand which prayers are fruitful, and how to achieve this.

2. Goals

- To state which prayers are never wasted, on biblical grounds.
- To explain how victories in prayer are won.

3. Biblical Foundation – Matthew 26:41

“Watch and pray, lest you enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak”.

4. Prayers that are never wasted

A. Prayer for revival in the church – Acts 4:23-41

B. Prayer for God to send labourers into the fields – Matt. 9:37-38

“Then He said to His disciples, 'The harvest truly is plentiful, but the labourers are few. Therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into His harvest.'”

C. Prayer for a harvest of souls – John 4:35

“Do you not say, 'There are still four months and then comes the harvest'? Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look at the fields, for they are already white for harvest!”

D. Prayer for a particular individual to be saved – 1 Tim. 2:1-6

- E. Prayer for God to bless a nation – Psalm 2:8

“Ask of Me, and I will give You the nations for Your inheritance, and the ends of the earth for Your possession”.

- F. Prayer for Satan to be curbed and defeated – James 4:7

“Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you”.

5. How to gain victories in prayer

- A. Launch an offensive in prayer – 2 Cor. 10:4-5

“For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ”.

- B. Do everything in the Spirit’s power – Zech 4:6, Isaiah 59:19

“So shall they fear The name of the LORD from the west, And His glory from the rising of the sun; When the enemy comes in like a flood, The Spirit of the LORD will lift up a standard against him”.

- C. Resist, bind, and cast Satan out by faith – Matt. 16:19

“And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven”.

- D. Saturate your mind with God’s Word – Col. 3:16, Romans 10:17

“Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord”.

“So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God”.

- E. Get other people’s prayer support – Matt. 18:19

“Again I say to you that if two of you agree on earth concerning anything that they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven”.

F. Persevere in prayer till you defeat Satan – Isaiah 62:1

“For Zion's sake I will not hold My peace, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a lamp that burns”.

CONCLUSION

Prayer should be made with the right motivation and in a wise manner. And above all there should be perseverance.

ASSIGNMENT

Each student should establish in their own lives the prayers that are never wasted, putting into practice the words of advice as to how to obtain victories in prayer, and should re-cord for a week the results they obtained, so that the teacher may check them.

Lesson 3

Intercession – 3

Fasting & God's Word

1. Objective

To understand the two basic spiritual disciplines for intercession.

2. Goals

- To explain the connection between fasting and intercession.
- To explain the connection between God's Word and intercession.

3. The purpose and results of fasting

A. Fast to please God – Zech 7:5

“Say to all the people of the land, and to the priests: ‘When you fasted and mourned in the fifth and seventh months during those seventy years, did you really fast for Me--for Me?’”

B. Fast in answer to the call of God – Joel 1:13-15

“Gird yourselves and lament, you priests; wail, you who minister before the altar; come, lie all night in sackcloth, you who minister to my God; for the grain offering and the drink offering are withheld from the house of your God. Consecrate a fast, Call a sacred assembly; gather the elders and all the inhabitants of the land into the house of the LORD your God, and cry out to the LORD”.

C. Fast to humble yourself before God - 1 Kings 21:27

“So it was, when Ahab heard those words, that he tore his clothes and put sackcloth on his body, and fasted and lay in sackcloth, and went about mourning”.

D. Fast to seek more fully God's face – Mark 12:30-33

"And you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.' This is the first commandment. And the second, like it, is this: 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these." So the scribe said to Him, "Well said, Teacher. You have spoken the truth, for there is one God, and there is no other but He. And to love Him with all the heart, with all the understanding, with all the soul, and with all the strength, and to love one's neighbour as oneself, is more than all the whole burnt offerings and sacrifices."

E. Fast as a holy discipline for your soul.

4. Study the scriptures

There is power in God's Word when you confess it in intercession; but in order to do this, it is necessary first to have a good knowledge of it.

Some ways of using the Bible to make your intercession more effective:

- A. Start your regular prayer times by reading God's Word.
- B. Apply what you read to your life.
- C. Make Scripture passages yours during your devotional time.
- D. Soak your mind in the Word to increase the faith you have – Ro. 10:17

"So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God"

- E. Learn by heart Scripture verses that can be useful to you in prayer.
- F. Use the Scripture to praise and worship the Lord. (Psalms)
- G. Use the prayers and expressions of prayer in the Scripture, as for example :

- Cleansing – Psalms 19:12-13, see also Ps. 51:1-10

"Who can understand his errors? Cleanse me from secret faults. Keep back Your servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless, and I shall be innocent of great transgression".

- Blessing for work - Psalms 90:16-17

"Let Your work appear to Your servants, and Your glory to their children. And let the beauty of the LORD our God be upon us, and establish the work of our hands for us; yes, establish the work of our hands"

- Fulfilment of God's Word – 2 Sam. 7:26-28

"So let Your name be magnified forever, saying, 'The LORD of hosts is the God over Israel.' And let the house of Your servant David be established before You. For You, O LORD of hosts, God of Israel, have revealed this to Your servant, saying, 'I will build you a house.' Therefore Your servant has found it in his heart to pray this prayer to You. And now, O Lord GOD, You are God, and Your words are true, and You have promised this goodness to Your servant".

- Divine Guidance – Ps. 5:8, Ps. 25:4-5, Ps. 31:3

"Lead me, O LORD, in Your righteousness because of my enemies; make Your way straight before my face".

"Show me Your ways, O LORD; teach me Your paths. Lead me in Your truth and teach me, for You are the God of my salvation; on You I wait all the day".

"For You are my rock and my fortress; therefore, for Your name's sake, lead me and guide me"..

H. Claim the promises of the Bible when you pray.

- I. Use the Scripture to rebuke Satan. Spiritual Warfare is more effective when we use the Word of God more.

CONCLUSION

Fasting, God's Word and Intercession make effective and powerful weapons.

ASSIGNMENT

In accord with the previous assignment, your students should now adopt a discipline of fasting and Bible study, and present in writing the organisation of time set aside for this purpose, and the reasons why they will do it.

Lesson 4

Intercession – 4

Prayer and the Holy Spirit

1. Objective

To understand the importance of Interceding under the guidance of the Holy Spirit in order to have anointing, authority and victory.

2. Goals

- To explain the importance of the Holy Spirit in Intercession.
- To be able to state each one of the aspects in which the Holy Spirit is related to Intercession.

3. Biblical Foundation – Romans 8:26

“Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered”.

4. The Holy Spirit and Intercession

- A. The Holy Spirit increases your desire to pray.
- B. The Holy Spirit brings Scripture to your remembrance while you pray.
- C. The Holy Spirit makes you conscious of spiritual aims that you must strive to reach.
- D. The Holy Spirit makes you conscious of needs that must be met.
- E. The Holy Spirit will give you a prayer burden.
- F. The Holy Spirit will call you to prayer in moments of crisis.
- G. The Holy Spirit will give a depth, power and special faith to your prayer.

CONCLUSION

The Holy Spirit longs for your prayer life to become powerful and effective.

ASSIGNMENT

The assignment for this lesson may focus on evaluating the relationship of the students with the Holy Spirit. The review of this assignment can be a tremendous tool to minister to your students.

Lesson 5

Evangelism - 1

Definition & Evidence

1. Objective

To understand what evangelising is, and when we know that a soul has truly been won for Jesus.

2. Goals

- To be able understand why we should win souls
- To explain what soul winning is.
- To know the evidences that a person has been won for Christ.
- What God requires of us to win souls

3. Biblical Foundation – Matt. 28:19

“Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit”

4. Why we should reap a harvest of souls in God’s Kingdom

- A. Because of their value to God – Luke 15, three parables, something lost, found and celebrated.
- B. Jesus paid a high price – “... you were redeemed with the precious blood of Christ” (1 Pt. 1:18).
- C. Faith in Christ is the only way to experience salvation – “*no other name*” (Acts 4:12).

5. Soul winning is:

- A. It is to evangelise a person and guide them to accepting Jesus as Lord of their life.
- B. Good news to the lost – Luke 4:18ff
- C. A process - A mistake of most evangelism is the assumption that every unbeliever is at the point of commitment. Little is done to cultivate and work with unbelievers to bring to the point of commitment. Eph. 2:13 “you who once were far away have been brought near...”
- D. A privilege – “Those who turn many to righteousness like the stars forever...” (Dan. 12:3).
- E. A humble act – Phil. 2:8
- F. A demonstration of love – “he who turns a sinner from the error of his ways...” (James 5:20).
- G. A necessity – “For if I preach the gospel... necessity is laid upon me” (1 Cor. 9:16-17).
- H. Is not sheep stealing, registering members, stirring emotions.

6. Evidences that a person has been won for Christ

- A. Conviction of sin –

That they truly understand they have fallen short of the glory of God, and it is sin that has separated them at present from God, and will condemn them eternally. The Holy Spirit produces Conviction of sin, and the result is repentance.

- B. Faith in Christ

Faith in Christ is evidenced if the person believes that only through Him do we obtain reconciliation with God and Eternal Life.

- C. Repentance

The deep sorrow for having failed, which brings as a consequence the desire to change one's way of thinking.

- D. Change of lifestyle

Real evidences that they have left their old way of life, and have adopted new thought patterns, habits and feelings, and desire to grow spiritually.

- E. Prayer

Even though at first it may not be easy, the person will begin to acquire the habit of Prayer, and will understand that it is the communication channel to God.

F. Obedience

The person understands that obedience is fundamental to living a life of holiness and growth.

6. What God requires of us in order to win souls.

- A. Feel compassion for the lost
- B. Become biblically prepared
- C. Be filled with the Holy Spirit
- D. Be a good testimony
- E. Be submerged in the vision
- F. Be bold!
- G. Testify to others what Christ has done for you.

7. Questions to discuss:

- Can a person be evangelised, but not won?
- How do we really know when a person has been won for Christ?
- What comes first – the change and afterwards salvation, or vice versa?
- How are we preparing ourselves to be soul-winners?

ASSIGNMENT

- That each student should evaluate in their own lives the requirements that God demands in order to win souls, and hand in this evaluation in the next class.
- That each student implement the **Prayer for Three** as a personal project through the next three lessons on Evangelism. Bring three names of those you are praying for to class next week.

Lesson 6

Evangelism - 2

Winning Souls For Christ!

1. Objective

To understand the concepts necessary to present the plan of salvation and the price that must be paid as a winner of souls.

2. Goals

- To explain what the new person must understand.
- To explain what the soul-winner must understand.
- To describe what it costs to be a soul-winner.

3. How does one win souls for Christ?

It is a team job: the new person's part and the soul-winner's part.

A. The new person's part is to understand what salvation is:

- A gift of God – Romans 6:23
- Is a work of regeneration – Titus 3:5
- Is the work of the Holy Spirit – Titus 3:5
- Is a miraculous work – 2 Cor. 5:17

B. The soul-winner's part is to understand:

- We are preaching the gospel, the greatest news anyone can hear – Romans 1:16.
- Personal work: prayer, study of the Word, clarity of ideas – 1 Peter 3:15

- To be resourceful: to use leaflets, tracts, etc., depending on the occasion.
- Visitation
- Discipleship

4. What it costs to be a soul-winner

- A. To identify oneself with God's heart – John 3:16; 2 Peter 3:9
- B. Life-style: upright, irreproachable, living what one preaches.
- C. Prayer.
- D. Time to disciple.

CONCLUSION

Winning souls requires not merely love for souls, but also spiritual preparation. Remember that we are witnesses and ambassadors of Christ in the world.

ASSIGNMENT

- The student ought to write an essay on what it costs to be a soul winner, using his own experiences and show his willingness to undertake this labour better.
- That each student continue to the Prayer for Three and work with the cell group leader to reach out to them

Lesson 7

Evangelism - 3

Handling Objections

1. Objective

To develop the skill to evangelise effectively and handle objections from unbelievers.

2. Goals

- To explain how to become more effective in evangelism.
- To know how to overcome objections.

3. Biblical Foundation – 2 Corinthians 6:2

“For He says: “In an acceptable time I have heard you, and in the day of salvation I have helped you.” Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation”.

4. How to Evangelise

It is really something quite simple. It is important to have the guidance of the Holy Spirit to obtain effective results.

- A. Prepare yourself daily in prayer, so that you may evangelise at any moment.
- B. “Break the ice”, that is to say, establish a pleasant initial contact in which you show an interest in their needs.
- C. Talk about Christ; use your testimony along with biblical concepts on salvation. You can use the five teachings.

- D. Guide them to the prayer of faith; it is necessary for them to take this important step.

5. How does one break the ice?

- A. *Make friends*: generate an atmosphere in which there is cordiality and confidence. Make yourself their friend.
- B. *Ask questions*: sounding out their knowledge about God and their possible religious practise; never judge, nor allow arguments to be generated. These questions ought to be asked at the most opportune moment of the conversation, taking into account the person concerned.
- C. *Find out*: people's sensitive point, where they have an objection to the gospel.

6. Handling objections

- A. *"I'm not ready"*: help them to read the Bible more; they need a foundation.
- B. *"No"*: without any solid reason – Acts 17:32-34

"And when they heard of the resurrection of the dead, some mocked, while others said, 'We will hear you again on this matter.'"

Speak to them about the need for a change:

"Come now, and let us reason together," says the LORD, "though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall be as wool" (Isaiah 1:18).

"Remember now your Creator in the days of your youth, before the difficult days come, and the years draw near when you say, 'I have no pleasure in them'" (Ecc. 12:1).

"Do not boast about tomorrow, for you do not know what a day may bring forth" (Pro. 27:1).

"He who is often rebuked, and hardens his neck, will suddenly be destroyed, and that without remedy" (Pro. 29:1).

"For He says: 'In an acceptable time I have heard you, and in the day of salvation I have helped you.' Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation" (2 Cor. 6:2).

"And if it seems evil to you to serve the LORD, choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD." (Josh. 24:15).

7. Genuine Obstacles

A. **"I fear that I have gone too far; God cannot forgive me"** - 1 John 1:9.

B. **"I am afraid that I am not going to keep it up."** - 1 Cor. 10:13.

"No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it".

"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness"

C. **"I am not bad"** – Romans 3:23, Isaiah 53:6.

"for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God"

"All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned, every one, to his own way; and the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all".

D. **"I want to enjoy life"** – John 10:10.

"The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly".

E. **"What will my friends think?"** – Rev. 20:15

"And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire".

CONCLUSION

It is necessary to involve oneself actively in the work of evangelism, in order to develop this skill and improve the way in which we are doing it.

ASSIGNMENT

Each student is to write down some objectives they have experienced in sharing Christ with others and what a good response would be to each.

Lesson 8

Evangelism - 4

Soul Winning Strategies!

1. Objective

To improve the skills necessary for evangelism through a project or a workshop.

2. Goals

- To understand the various strategies available to win souls.
- To review the progress of each student in the Prayer for Three
- That the student puts into practice what has been taught in the Seminar on Intercession and Evangelism.

3. Who are the one's that are open to Christ?

Your friends and relatives!

The American Church Growth question 10,000 people and found that they came into the church in the following ways:

Special need	2%	Walk-in.....	3%
Pastor	6%	Visitation.....	1%
Sunday school	5%	Evangelistic crusade.....	1/2%
Program	3%	Friend / relative.....	79%

4. How do we reach our friends and relatives?

1. Through acts of kindness and divines appointments
2. Through Cell Group “In-reach” events – “The Prayer For Three”
3. Through NET events and gathering points – Men’s, Women’s, Youth, Singles, Couples.
4. The Sunday Celebrations

5. Winning through the cells

A. Training within the cell

- Prayer for Three principles – everyone picks three names of those that need Christ
- One-minutes personal testimony – tell the story of what Christ has done for you.
- How to lead someone to Christ – (refer to the Prayer of Three pamphlet).

B. Implementing the Prayer for Three for a month

- The leader who wants to form a new cell group looks for two other members in the cell to partner with.
- Each of them, in prayer, chooses three unsaved people that they know.
- Each member of the group gets the names of the others
- They meet once a week for an hour, for four weeks, to pray specifically for the conversion of these people.
- Friendly Contact – to develop friendship and share Christ -

“People will not accept ‘Someone’ whom they do not know from someone whom they do not know”.

θ ***Make friends:*** generate an atmosphere in which there is cordiality and confidence. Make yourself their friend.

θ ***Ask questions:*** sounding out their knowledge about God and their possible religious practice; never judge, nor allow arguments to be generated. These questions ought to be asked at the most opportune moment of the conversation, taking into account the person concerned.

θ ***Find out:*** people's sensitive point, where they have an objection to the gospel.

C. Hold an in-reach event. This is a monthly casual gathering of the cell members where the unsaved are invited for fellowship, fun and food. Bar-B-Ques and Potlucks have been effective! During the in-reach event, open doors to share Christ and invite to the cell group will be offered to the unsaved.

D. Three victories to win the war for a soul:

- Win them to you
- Win them to your group or church
- Win them to Christ

Conclusion

Plan a strategy for the upcoming year where your new cell group begins the Prayer of Three and put into practise the principles of sharing Christ and reaping a harvest for the Lord?

Lesson 9

Service - 1

Definition & Examples

1. Objective

To understand the definition of service and the Biblical examples of its importance in ministry.

2. Goals

- To be able to explain what service is.
- To be able to give two biblical examples of men who were models of service.

3. Biblical Foundation – John 13:1-16

4. Definition

- A. It is an inner attitude that has its outward fruit.
- B. It is practical.
- C. It is a fundamental characteristic in a disciple of Christ.
- D. It is unconditional; it expects nothing in return.
- E. It is not divided: I only serve those that it suits me to serve.
- F. It is not done because forced to; it is done voluntarily.
- G. The person who serves is a person who has learnt to know and to love his neighbour.

5. Examples

The following are examples of individuals and their service of faith.

A. Joshua – Joshua 1:1

“After the death of Moses the servant of the LORD, it came to pass that the LORD spoke to Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' assistant, saying...”

B. Elisha - 1 Kings 19:21

“So Elisha turned back from him, and took a yoke of oxen and slaughtered them and boiled their flesh, using the oxen's equipment, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he arose and followed Elijah, and became his servant”.

C. Jesus – Matth. 20:28

“Just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many”.

D. Stephen – Acts 6:5, 6:8

“And the saying pleased the whole multitude. And they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, and Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolas, a proselyte from Antioch”.

“And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and signs among the people”.

E. Paul - 1 Cor. 9:19

“For though I am free from all men, I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win the more”.

Explain how they were servants, and how God used each one of them.

CONCLUSION

The servant is not a servant if he does not serve.

ASSIGNMENT

The student should write down the areas in which he can develop this attitude of Service, explaining how he is going to do it.

Lesson 10

Service - 2

The Secret of Great Ministry

1. Objective

That the student should understand the importance of Service in his ministry, analysing the example of Stephen.

2. Goals

- To explain who Stephen was, and the importance of his ministry in the early church.
- To define in detail the characteristic of a great ministry.

3. Biblical Foundation – Acts 6:1-10

4. Service: the characteristic of great ministries.

A. Stephen's ministry: Acts 6: 8-10

- "... did great wonders and miraculous signs ..."
- "... they could not stand up against his wisdom or the Spirit by whom he spoke ..."

B. The secret of his ministry: Acts 6:1-4

- Service - Stephen waited on tables.

C. It was not just anybody who could serve: Acts 6:3

- Good testimony.
- Full of the Holy Spirit.
- Wisdom.

D. Wrong ideas with regard to Service.

- To think that it is a dishonourable attitude.
- It has got to be a person who has not got a ministry.
- It is something that is insincere, just to please somebody.
- Even the outward appearance of the servant has been downgraded.

E. Service is not an option in a great ministry; it is an essential condition.

Stephen waited on tables, but he had a ministry of power, of signs and wonders. He was not a man of unimpressive appearance, but he had the fire of the Holy Spirit burning within him.

CONCLUSION

As with Stephen, God always wants to use us, but we must break with arguments in our minds, so that we may understand that the key to having a great ministry is TO SERVE.

ASSIGNMENT

The students must establish principles in their lives with regard to Service in the area of Ministry.