Subject: Chapel Service

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**Message: Understanding the Power of Prayer (Part 1)** 

The importance of the prayer altar cannot be overemphasized in the life of a believer (James 5 vs. 13 - 18). The altar of prayer is the altar of grace that enables (Hebrews 4 vs. 16). It must be engaged maximally if the prophetic word must find expression in the lives of believers (Romans 15 vs. 4; 2 Chronicles 26 vs. 1 - 15), and it is one's consistency in seeking God that makes such individual a cynosure of excellence in their area of calling.

The altar of prayer is a very important platform where anyone can enforce his/her desired change. The prayer mountain will always bring man into God's presence, freeing him from every depression (Psalm 16 vs. 11).

The prayer altar is a platform for accessing supernatural breakthroughs and pulling down of every resisting force on one's path to glory (Isaiah 58 vs. 6 - 11). The prayer altar, when powered by fasting, is designed to break every yoke, enable divine direction and enjoy divine revelation from God's word (Jeremiah 33 vs. 3).

The altar of prayer is a platform for bringing God's hand to intervene on one's behalf (Acts 1 vs. 1; Matthew 6 vs. 5 – 7; Luke 18 vs. 1, 16). The scriptures admonish every believer to embrace prayer and fasting as a way of life (Matthew 9 vs. 14 - 15).

The explosive ministry of Jesus came as a result of His engagement in prayer and fasting (Luke 4 vs. 1 - 14, 37). The altar of prayer and fasting has proven that it is the birth place of every biblical and prophetic blessings when, the believer readily connect and embrace it (Matthew 17 vs. 15 - 21).

There are life's situations and circumstances that will never bulge except the believer engage the altar of prayer and fasting.

The bible has shown that the prayer altar is one that should be visited regularly by believers who desire to see the supernatural happening in their lives; not just once in a while (Acts 3 vs. 1; Acts 6 vs. 4; Acts 4 vs. 4; Acts 5 vs. 4; Acts 13 vs. 44).

By the revelation of scriptures, we have seen that the altar of prayer and fasting puts the believer a step ahead of the devil and his agents (1 Corinthians 11 vs. 1; Ephesians 6 vs. 18; Acts 19 vs. 15).