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Message: Prayer: A Platform for Accessing Divine Illumination

It has been established that the altar of prayer is the amazing platform for securing colour and beauty. It is also the altar for securing lasting peace that surpasses human understanding (John 14 vs. 27; Philippians 4 vs. 7). The prayer altar is also known to be a powerful mountain for enforcing all of our desires (2 Corinthians 3 vs. 18). It is the ultimate altar of deliverance for the believer. It is on the prayer altar that testimonies are birthed (Philippians 1 vs. 19). It is on this mountain that the redeemed encounters or experiences a touch and have communion with God, and when God comes down, it turns trials to testimonies; failures to success; sickness to health.

Divine illumination simply implies enlightenment and understanding whose source is God. It is the special divine assistance the believer enjoys in his cognitive human activities (John 1 vs. 6 – 8). It finds expression in divine direction (Proverbs 14 vs. 12; Proverbs 16 vs. 25; Psalm 16 vs. 11).

Divine direction is the heritage of the redeemed of the Lord and it is sought for on the prayer altar (Jeremiah 42 vs. 3; Jeremiah 10 vs. 23; John 10 vs. 2 & 27; Deuteronomy 32 vs. 12 - 13).

Divine direction is the highway to greatness (John 10 vs. 5; Hebrews 13 vs. 5; 1 Thessalonians 5 vs. 24; John 16 vs. 12 - 13), and it is principally communicated through the ministry of the Holy Spirit.

How to Benefit From the Leading of the Holy Ghost in Divine Direction?

- 1. You must be born again (John 3 vs. 3; Romans 8 vs. 12 13).
- 2. You must be meek (Numbers 12 vs. 3).
- 3. You must study to be quiet: create an environment to hear from the Holy Ghost (Proverbs 18 vs. 1; 1 Thessalonians 4 vs. 11).
- 4. You must be a man of the spirit (Revelation 1 vs. 10).
- 5. You must be watchful (Habakkuk 2 vs. 1).
- 6. You must engage in a prayer of enquiry (Jeremiah 33 vs. 3).

WHAT IS REVELATION? It is the spiritual understanding of the truth for all round success (Matthew 13 vs. 23; 2 Corinthians 2 vs. 14; 1 Timothy 4 vs. 13 - 14). Spiritual understanding is key to a life of excellence (Proverbs 21 vs. 16). Revelation is vital to exploits (Daniel 11 vs. 32). When the word of God is at work in the life of a believer, there is no height he or she cannot scale in life (Isaiah 60 vs. 1 – 3 & 22).

Every genuine encounter with the word of God births a turnaround in the life of a believer to scale unimaginable heights (John 1 vs. 1 - 5).

It is expected that believers must, of necessity, engage the ministry of the Holy Ghost for enhancement of our spiritual understanding (John 14 vs. 26; 1 Corinthians 2 vs. 9 – 12; Isaiah 58 vs. 6, 8 & 10). Until the human spirit is engaged, understanding is not in view (Proverbs 20 vs. 27; Revelation 1 vs. 10).