



If My People...

It took Solomon seven years to build the Temple in Jerusalem. This was to become the place the Lord chose to be a “place for myself as a temple of sacrifices.” His “place” where he would receive the sacrifices for the Israel’s sins. A place where the people would know and remember that He was with them and loved them. A place where the spiritual and the physical would unite.

God goes on to tell Solomon that when He (God) stops the rain or brings pestilence to the earth, He would be here waiting for His people. And in 2 Chronicles 7:14, He says what can happen when the physical world calls on the divine world for help.

“...if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land.”

My People – Not all mankind. We don’t have to get the entire world to unite and sing Kum Ba Yah. Listen to who God calls on, “My people, who are called by my name.” His people. His church. You. And I. US .If we will do what He is asking, He will work to restore. He will intervene. He will “hear.” But what should we, as His people, do?

Humble ourselves – It seems to me that we bring so much calamity on ourselves when we start thinking that we are in charge. That we control our lives and destiny. Perhaps we need to learn that we stand tallest when we bow our knee to God. When we surrender to His power and His will.

Pray – Prayer is the invitation to the divine to intervene. Too many times we use it as the last resort. “Can’t do anything else. Guess we’ll pray.” That is the second step. After we have learned how and when to approach God, we must ask from Him on behalf of all mankind (See James 1:17)

Seek – We are living His story. We all get a part in His musical of life. The play of the “passion of life and love.” Therefore, we must always be about seeking Him in every aspect of our creation. We must seek His leading to enrich the part he has entrusted to us.

Repent – Sin separates us from God. Like holding a magnet the wrong way. Sin “propels” us from the presence of God. It is literally removing God from the decisions we are making and lives we are living. If we want Him to work, we must repent so that we can be drawn (magnet) to Him.

Then He will hear us. Then He will forgive us. Then He will heal our land

From My Heart,

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