



SAYING PRAYERS BY NOT SPEAKING

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Nehemiah 1

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“Lord, the God of heaven, the great and awesome God, who keeps his covenant of love with those who love him and keep his commandments, 6 let your ear be attentive and your eyes open to hear the prayer your servant is praying before you day and night for your servants, the people of Israel.

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I confess the sins we Israelites, including myself and my father's family, have committed against you. 7 We have acted very wickedly toward you. We have not obeyed the commands, decrees and laws you gave your servant Moses.

8 "Remember the instruction you gave your servant Moses, saying, 'If you are unfaithful, I will scatter you among the nations, 9 but if you return to me and obey my commands, then even if your exiled people are at the farthest horizon, I will

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gather them from there and bring them to the place I have chosen as a dwelling for my Name.'

10 "They are your servants and your people, whom you redeemed by your great strength and your mighty hand. 11 Lord, let your ear be attentive to the prayer of this your servant and to the prayer of your servants who delight in revering your name. Give your servant success today by granting him favor in the presence of this man."

I was cupbearer to the king.



If you want your words of
prayer to be heard

You must be willing to pray
without words.

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Matthew 6

7 And when you pray, **do not keep on babbling** like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their **many words**. 8 Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

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6 But when you pray, **go** into your room, **close** the door and **pray** to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.

2 Chronicles 16

9 For the eyes of the Lord range throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to him.



Question #1

What's the first thing I
should do?

Exodus 3

2 There the Angel of the Lord showed Himself to Moses in a burning fire from inside a bush. Moses **looked and saw** that the bush was burning with fire, but it was not being burned up. 3 So Moses said, “I must step aside and see this great thing, why the bush is not being burned up.” (NLV)



Question #1

What's the first thing I
should do?

Take Notice



Question #2

Who's going to lead this
project?

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Question #2

Who's going to lead this project?

The one praying is the one
uniquely prepared to lead or
participate



Question #3

Who's going to pay for this
project?

Nehemiah 2

7 I also said to him, “If it pleases the king, may I have letters to the governors of Trans-Euphrates, so that they will provide me safe-conduct until I arrive in Judah? 8 And may I have a letter to Asaph, keeper of the royal park, so he will give me timber to make beams for the gates of the citadel by the temple and for the city wall and for the residence I will occupy?” And **because the gracious hand of my God was on me, the king granted my requests.**

James 4

2 You do not have because you do not ask God.



PRAY
BOLD
PRAYERS

God moves mountains
but prayer moves God

Question #4

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Question #4

How can I/we be sure this is
God's will and not ours?

If it's done in God's name

If it accomplishes God's will

Prayer Meeting

May 22nd

KWCOOC Auditorium

3 pm-5 pm



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