



SACRED ASSEMBLY CORPORATE PRAYER TARGETS, KEYS & PROTOCOL – COREY STARK

I. SEVEN PRAYER TARGETS

The following 7 *prayer targets* are meant to harness the power of unified corporate prayer. Even as a laser beam of light can cut through steel when focused, so also these 7 prayer targets are meant to amplify our impact for God's Kingdom by intensifying our prayers through a unified corporate focus. They are not meant to be restrictive or exhaustive, nor are they meant to be legally adopted, but a helpful tool to enhance unified corporate engagement in the prayer of faith.

- #1 Outpouring of the Holy Spirit and Revival in the Church (Acts 2:15-21; Eph. 4:13; 5:27)
Fullness of the Holy Spirit (wisdom, fruit, gifts) with unprecedented unity, purity and power.
- #2 Spiritual Awakening and a Great Harvest Among the Lost (Mt. 28:18-20; Lk. 10:2; Jn. 8:32)
Boldly speaking the revelation of Jesus with signs and wonders, reaching every tribe and tongue.
- #3 Racial Reconciliation and Restoration of the Family (Mal. 4:5-6; Mk. 12:31; Eph. 5:22-33)
Abounding love and repentance, reconciling ethnic division, restoring marriages and families.
- #4 Mercy and Forgiveness for Personal/National Sin (Dan. 9:3-19; Jl. 2:12-17; 1 Jn. 1:9)
Wholehearted turning to God in faith, repentance from sin, asking for mercy and forgiveness.
- #5 Divine Intervention in the Current National Crisis (2 Chr. 7:13-14; Jer. 18:7-8; Jl. 2:12-17)
God's truth and light, exposing and stopping all darkness and corruption, bringing swift justice.
- #6 Righteousness and Justice in the 7 Mountains of Influence (Am. 5:24; Mt. 6:10; 1 Tim. 2:1-4)
God's will in Arts & Entertainment, Business, Education, Family, Government, Media, Religion.
- #7 Salvation of Israel and the Jewish People (Gen 12:3; Isa. 62:1, 6-7; Ps. 122:6; Rom. 10:1)
Peace in Jerusalem and surrounding area, Israel's revelation of Jesus and national salvation.

II. THREE CORPORATE PRAYER KEYS

There are *three key components* that we need to recognize to effectively establish unified corporate engagement of faith-filled prayers of agreement.

KEY #1 Agreement with God's will (Mt. 6:10; 1 Jn. 5:14-15): The *simplicity of agreement* with God's will is the primary way that He advances His Kingdom in the earth. Since God inspired all Scripture (2 Tim. 3:16), praying *biblical prayers* ensures our agreement with His will (Jn. 15:7).

KEY #2 Unity with one another (Mt. 18:19; 1 Pet. 3:7): Harmonious agreement empowers our prayers and creates dynamic synergy, causing us to go farther together (Lev. 26:8; Deut. 32:30).

KEY #3 Engaging our words in faith (Mt. 17:20): God's word spoken in faith has unlimited potential! Even faith as small as a "mustard seed" can release great power through our words (Mt. 21:21).

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III. CORPORATE PRAYER PROTOCOL

A. Our *primary goal* in corporate prayer times is to cultivate *unified corporate engagement of faith-filled prayers of agreement*. We've established the following guidelines to help facilitate this goal.

1. Pray Biblical Prayers – Biblical prayers are actual prayer texts recorded in Scripture. Since God inspired all Scripture (2 Tim. 3:16), praying *biblical prayers* makes it easier for people to know and agree with God's perfect will, enhancing agreement with one another and empowering people to engage their own words in faith by *repeating intercessory phrases* (i.e. prayers) to God.
2. With a Specific Focus (vs. too broad) – The "prayer of faith" (i.e. confidence) requires a *specific focus* that is reasonable for people to grasp or clearly picture in their mind, according to their measure of faith. We find it more helpful (vs. wrong or incorrect) to avoid praying too broad (i.e. "all lost people" or "all churches in the world"). Most NT prayers are for the whole Church in a city.
3. At a Moderate Speaking Speed (vs. too fast) – This aids the listeners ability to hear and repeat intercessory phrases to God. It's not helpful to pray so fast no one can understand and agree.
4. At a Moderate Volume Level (vs. predominant shouting) – We aim at a *moderate* level by energetically talking our prayers. Occasionally going to a higher volume in *projecting* our prayers (preaching volume) and even less often *shouting* at full volume. Volume isn't authority.

B. Our desire is to avoid the following *unhelpful dynamics* that inadvertently work against *unified corporate engagement of faith-filled prayers of agreement* and that tend to scatter corporate focus.

1. Prayers with too much unnecessary detail tends to overwhelm and disengage people.
2. Informing God of circumstances, situations or issues with people that others are not aware of; and therefore, may find it difficult to agree with you in prayer.
3. Informing people concerning details of things that need to be changed, and prescriptions of what you believe are needed (i.e. preaching prayers).
4. Devotional prayers focused on your personal needs, longings and personal concerns or issues that are not shared burdens of the group.
5. Praying in such a manner that gives the feeling that you are exhorting others with doctrinal insights or teaching content (i.e. teaching prayers).
6. Praying too loudly off the microphone. As a general rule we want to pray *loud enough for everyone* to hear (i.e. use the microphone) or *soft enough for no one* to hear, but not in between.
7. Praying in tongues on the mic. due to praying corporately to God with the potential of pre-believers and believers with varying beliefs and backgrounds in the room (1 Cor. 6:12; 10:23).