

# CONSCIOUS AND INTENTIONAL MINISTRY: MINISTRY TO ME

Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely; and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Thessalonians 5:23

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TEXT: MATTHEW 6:5-13
TITLE: PRAY LIKE THIS

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A.	We generally give deference to one that we honor and respect
B.	Sometimes, we do not show God that same deference
C.	We ignore who God is and tell God what we want
D.	Jehoshaphat's example in 2 Chronicles 20:12
	OWED (HOLY) BE YOUR NAME Say the right name and say the right
В.	City names that are commonly mispronounced
C.	"Our name is more than what we are called. Our name is who we are"
D.	God's proper name/"government name" is YHWH
E.	What is my personal name for God?
	What is God's personal name for me?

# YOUR KINGDOM COME (ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN)

- A. Our goal should be to bring God's Kingdom from Heaven to Milwaukee
- B. To Apply Kingdom Principles and Practices to Earthly Living

#### YOUR WILL BE DONE (ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN)

- A. Our goal should be to Apply God's Purpose and Plan to Earthly Decisions
- B. "This is God's universe, and God does things his way. You may have a better way, but you don't have a universe." J. Vernon McGee

### HOW DO WE ENGAGE IN KINGDOM BUILDING?

- A. **Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.**, And I'm always happy to see a relevant ministry. It's all right to talk about "long white robes over yonder," in all of its symbolism. But ultimately people want some suits and dresses and shoes to wear down here. It's all right to talk about "streets flowing with milk and honey," but God has commanded us to be concerned about the slums down here, and his children who can't eat three square meals a day. It's all right to talk about the new Jerusalem, but one day, God's preachers must talk about the New York, the new Atlanta, the new Philadelphia, the new Los Angeles, the new Memphis, Tennessee. This is what we have to do.
- B. **Dr. James Cone**, As a black church, we need to engage each other about what we are doing, why we do it, how it liberates the poor, whether it fosters holistic salvation, and how we can do it better.
- C. **Richard Wright**, 12 Million Black Voices, "Our churches are where we dip our tired bodies in cool springs of hope, where we retain our wholeness and humanity despite the blows of death from the Bosses of the Buildings
- D. Acts 17:6, "<sup>6</sup> But when they did not find them, they dragged Jason and some brethren to the rulers of the city, crying out, "These who have turned the world upside down have come here too."
- E. Acts 16:20, <sup>20</sup> And they brought them to the magistrates, and said, "These men, being Jews, exceedingly trouble our city."