

PRAYER, PRAISE & WORSHIP FOR GOD'S WORKING

"When all the Israelites saw the fire coming down and the glory of the Lord above the temple, they knelt on the pavement with their faces to the ground, and they worshiped and gave thanks to the Lord, saying, "He is good; His love endures forever." (2 Chronicles 7:3, NIV)

In 2 Chronicles 7:1-2 it is written, after Solomon had finished his prayer, fire came down from heaven and consumed the burnt offerings and sacrifices that were available, and the glory of the LORD filled the LORD's house. The priests could not enter the house of the Lord, because the glory of the Lord filled the house of the Lord. So, at that time there was Lord's work that filled the house, so in verse 3 He says, when all the Israelites saw the fire coming down and the glory of the LORD covering the house, they knelt on the floor with their faces to the ground, and bowed down and worshiped. and sing a song of thanksgiving to the LORD: "For he is good! That his love endures forever." The Israelites at that time prayed, worshiped and praised God because His working took place. Likewise, in these end times, God wants true worshipers just like what happened to the Israelites at that time. The Word of God in John 4:23-24 says, "But the time is coming, and it is now, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth; because the Father wants such worshipers. God is Spirit and those who worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth." There are customs in the church that must be changed. There are prayers, praises and worships performed by the followers of God which have nothing to do with worshiping in spirit and truth, but because they have been memorized and carried out continuously as a habit. Many people even though they have become followers of God, their spirits do not rise and even experience lukewarmness. Whereas when we pray, praise and worship God, our spirit should also rise or live. In these last days, God is raising up a generation of true worshipers who worship the Father in spirit and truth. In 2 Chron. 7:3, At that time the Israelites experienced a working from the LORD and the priests who normally served in front of the altar of the LORD could not enter the house of the LORD. Why? For the glory of the LORD came down to fill the house. The Israelites who saw the working, all lowered themselves by kneeling with their faces to the ground. Those of us living in these last days may not be on our knees like them. But we should realize that if we want to pray, praise and worship God properly, we should worship Him in spirit and in truth. Our Spirit must unite with the Holy Spirit and we must also be willing to do what the Holy Spirit says for us. And we must also want to continue to be sanctified in the truth. The Lord Jesus in His great prayer before He died on the cross when He prayed for all His disciples, He said in John 17:17, "sanctify them in the truth, Your word is truth." If our spirits are led by the Holy Spirit and live we also want to always be holy because of His word, then we can certainly become true worshipers. The GOD we worship is a good GOD and His steadfast love is given forever. Let us also pray, so that the LORD's work will also take place in our midst today. If the Israelites could see the glory of the LORD at that time, let us also be able to see the glory of the LORD descending upon us, his church. Let's pray, so that spiritual revival occurs and we can all become true worshipers who can continue to pray, praise and worship God in spirit and truth in preparing for the second coming of the Lord Jesus. Easter or the day of Christ's resurrection from the dead will be celebrated this month. Let us give thanks to Him who has overcome and also gave us victory in Him. Happy Passover, Amen!

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