



Calling Upon the Lord

“...the Word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two edged sword...” (Hebrews 4:12, KJV).



There is powerful spiritual potential when Watchmen for Israel, pray and utilize prayer's dynamic authority from the Bible...the whole Bible. All Scripture is God's Spoken Word and none are "old", but alive, and remain the first witness to the covenants God has with Israel. At the time they were given, for example in the quote from Hebrews above, it could only have meant Torah, the Hebrew Scriptures, as there was yet no New Testament records. When standing in detected gaps, and forming a spiritual shield of defense for this nation we must pray with strong conviction from God's Word. Michael Oren, former Israeli Ambassador once said, ***“We are soldiers too... while Israel's soldiers are on the ground fighting, we will be fighting a different battle,***

alongside of them!” I believe God has gone to great lengths to preserve this nation and will continue to do so. A few years ago Israeli scientists finally understood that when Joshua in Joshua 10:12-14 cried out for deliverance from the Amorites, that God actually generated a solar eclipse in order for the sun to stand still. It happened on October 30, 1207 BCE, around 4:28 pm...when God heeded the voice of a man...and God fought for Israel. **I have kept records of the miracles that show how God has fought for Israel through the years we have lived here. The voices of people speak to determine political outcomes; cannot the voices of intercessors declare His Word?**

How should we pray? Settle it once and for all that Israel is a vital concern to God; therefore, it has to be high priority for prayer. We must learn to pray God's Word which stirs His Mighty Right Arm to undertake on behalf of His People. As His Promises are recited from our lips, and included as a part of our petitions in prayer, we catch a glimpse of the powerful potential and dynamic authority by which God responds to those who pray in faith. We must be in the vanguard of leading our nations forward to carry out this pivotal role of standing firm on God's Word for Israel, which will always please His Heart.

Standing Firm in Prayer

- **Pray that** as Watchmen in prayer we will stay focused and not bring all the problems of the world into our prayers for Israel. ***“Look to the LORD and his strength; seek his face always.” (1 Chronicles 16:11, NIV).***
- **Pray fervently that** our prayers will resemble an arrow aimed at its target, releasing the arrow of faith at the time of prayer. ***“And if we know that he hears us – whatever we ask – we know that we have what we asked of him” (1 John 5:15, NIV).***

- **Thank God for** those prayer warriors who are aware of daily events taking place in Israel. When waves of trouble come, we will know how to pray.
- **Beseech the Lord for** our Prayer Group Leaders to remain established and firm in God's Word, so they can guide us. May we listen to what is prayed and yoke our prayers with the person's prayer before us continuing in prayer until there is a release.
- **Rejoice in the Lord that** finally the Chief Rabbi in Jerusalem has spoken up about homosexuality. He said "it seems nobody is talking about it, and trying to raise children in a very strange and unnatural lifestyle without father and mother." Hundreds of rabbis responded in agreement to his remarks. Pray that a stronger will to bring the people into repentance will emerge. ***"Hear the supplications of your servant and of your people Israel when they pray toward this place. Hear from heaven, your dwelling place; and when you hear, forgive."*** (2 Chronicles 6:21, NIV).
- **Thank God that** the restoration of Israel will remain unhindered and unimpeded. **(Jeremiah 32:41).**
- **Pray for the peace of Jerusalem** and that the Prince of Peace will come to usher it in. The battle is the Lord's. ***"And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people."*** (Ephesians 6:18, NIV).

I have dwelt upon the importance of prayer for Israel in this edition of OnWatch. Please feel free to make copies, return home to study it closely, and firmly implant it in everyone's hearts that to pray for Israel is to please the Lord. Israel is still God's Chosen People. He has not "unchosen" them. He has not replaced them. Instead, His Hand is so visible here in the Land.

Thank you to each and every intercessor and person who prays for Israel. You are a mighty spiritual pillar in the eyes of the Lord as you guard His People in the spirit of prayer and supplication. "Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise." (James 5:13, NIV).



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