

How to Get Your Prayers Answered!

How many times have you waited on the voice of God to speak to you? How many times have you spoken to God and waiting for that answer that you've been looking for, praying diligently, but God doesn't seem to answer? How many of you out there feel like God's not even paying attention to you? In this week's broadcast, I'm going to share with you what I found right out of the Torah, the first five books of the Old Testament, a formula that I believe God says, "do this and I'll hear from you and you'll eat the bread straight from heaven." We're going to talk about it right now.

Hello everyone, I'm Jim Staley, Passion for Truth Ministries. Before we begin, make sure you hit subscribe on this channel if you want to hear more about what God is speaking in this earth realm through His word prophetically and you want to learn the Bible from the original language, the original culture, all the idiomatic expressions and all the context. Outside of Protestantism, long before Catholicism, all the way back to the first century, this is the channel for you. This is the ministry for you. We like to do Bible things in Bible ways. We go all the way back to the beginning to find the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth. And here's why, because the truth can only do one thing, set you free. That's exactly what we're going to talk about here today. We're going to talk about God speaking to us and setting us free.

There are so many times in our lives, in my life, where I feel like I'm just in a dry place and I've got like dry bones. I feel like I am Ezekiel 37. I'm the dry bones of Joseph that have been sitting there for however many times waiting for the Holy Spirit to breathe life into me. I'm like the Adam laying on the ground before he was breathed life into him and just waiting for that life. How many of us are beseeching God with no answers? Ladies and gentlemen, I'm here to tell you our God is holy. He is set apart. He is *kadosh*. That word in Hebrew means to be set apart, holy. It is a Holy of Holies moment. No one is allowed to go into that Holy of Holies except for the high priest and only that *once a year*.

What I'm going to share with you is in this week's Torah portion, which is simply a name for the, most of the Jewish people and Messianic people will take the first five books of the Bible, the Torah, and they read through it in the year and it's a few chapters a week, so it's just a Bible reading program. Each week there's about three chapters. This week's called **Emor**, it's out of the **Leviticus chapter 21**. I want you to turn with me to Leviticus chapter 21 because what you're about to hear in this broadcast, I would venture to say you may not have ever heard before what you're going to hear in chapter 21 and chapter 22, which is *real deep* details that most people read when they want to fall asleep. That's what they read Leviticus 21 and 22, but

the Holy Spirit I believe is going to prophetically pull out of here some principles in the spirit realm, that's going to give you the answer that you've been looking for. If you've got a problem in your marriage, problem in the relationship, problem with God Himself, and you've been waiting for God to speak to you, it's not a coincidence that the word **Emor** this week's Torah portion, the Hebrew word literally means **to speak**. I believe God's going to speak *through me to you* and I pray that God will bless you in this broadcast. Are you ready to go? Here we go.

Let's begin to read. Okay. Let the Holy Spirit speak. Chapter 21 verse one, "the Lord said to Moses, speak to the priests, the sons of Aaron, and say to them: 'None shall defile himself for the dead among his people, except for his relatives who are nearest to him: his mother, his father, his son, his daughter, his brother, and also his sister who is near to him, who has no husband, for her he may defile himself. Otherwise, he shall not defile himself being the chief man among his people to profane himself." Now, what in the world are we talking about already? He's not allowed to defile himself. This is what happens in ancient Israel when someone dies, there are cultural things that happen, cultural norms, that can defile themselves. In other words, you're not allowed to touch a dead body, unless it is a very close relative. So, there's a funeral there, right? They have to carry the body, so on and so forth. If these are the priests, the sons of Aaron, there are specific laws that are different for those that are priests than to those that are common people. Right off the bat, I want you to connect this to the New Testament. I believe it's in first Peter where it says that you are a kingdom of priests. If you're watching this program right now and you believe in Yeshua, Jesus, and you believe that you are a follower of Christ and you consider yourself a little Christianos, a little Christ, then you need to understand that you fit right here. You're a priest.

Pay attention, my friend, brother and sister, because the information that you're about to read is *instructions* for how to have *intimacy* and for God to speak to you and specifically how to come before Him and *eat the bread from heaven*, which we're all looking for. The amazing connections we're going to make, I believe, are going to be excellent in your life. Here we go.

When someone dies, we're not allowed to defile ourselves. All right. We can't defile ourselves with just messing around with anybody. The spiritual implications of this is it matters who you hang around. It matters who you're connected with. It matters who you are intimate with. It matters who your close friendships are. I heard once that you are the average of the five people that you hang around with the most. That's part of the principal lesson that we have here is that you become defiled by hanging around people that are defiled, that are not closest to you, and that close connection should be family. The connection here is spiritually. The Bible says you're not supposed to be unequally yoked. You're supposed to be around people that are equally yoked with you to be outside of that and be intimately connected and to rub shoulders, if you will, which is what to touch means, right? You're touching them, there's a frequency that's coming out of you coming into them. When you are breaking bread with people that are defiled, it will defile you. That's what's going to happen. Now you may walk away from that. You know, you may go down to the bar as a carpenter after work or whatever, and not think a thing about it. But you as a believer in the Lord, Jesus Christ, Yeshua, our Messiah, you are not allowed. We are not allowed to be around and connect with the unbelievers that might be defiled because it

will defile you. I'm not saying that you're not allowed to be around them or to witness to them. But to *connect* with them is different.

As a matter of fact, I always give this example to my kids, or when I'm teaching young people, I will stand on a chair and I will have them try to pull me down while I'm trying to pull them up on the chair, and inevitably my eleven-year-old can pull me off the chair every single time. Why? Because the leverage, it's much more difficult to pull somebody up, than it is to pull somebody down. Just being around people that are *not* equally yoked with you, you will find yourself averaging down to the bottom. All right, enough of that.

Let's move on. "They shall not make any bald places on their head, nor shall they shave," I'm in verse 5, "the edges of their beards nor make any cuttings in their flesh." Now, there's a lot of people say, "oh, you can't keep the law of God because look at this, you're cutting the edges of your beard, and that's against God's law." No, not at all. This is specifically talking about markings for the dead, all right. This is talking about cutting. These are cultural norms that are happening in pagan societies outside of Israel, and He doesn't want them adopting those pagan practices and bringing them into His congregation, what we would call today the church or the ecclesia. We're not supposed to be like the world around us, like the generations of pagans that are around us. We don't adopt their lifestyle well enough. We don't adopt their lifestyle well enough. We don't adopt their lifestyle; we're supposed to look different, we're supposed to act different. Not holier than thou, but clean. There's a difference.

When you walk into a mud wrestling match and everyone is in the mud wrestling, they got mud, and then you walk in there and you're perfectly clean, you're going to stand out. It doesn't make you bad. Doesn't make you anything other than *you've chosen to separate yourself and not get in the mud*. Amen. That's for somebody out there that's in the mud right now, wrestling with situations and with people that you don't need to wrestle with. How many of you know right now, by the way, this is for someone, this is coming from the Lord, how many of you know that when you engage in an argument or a discussion that is leading to ungodliness for *no other reason* than ego, and there's no benefit in that discussion whatsoever, you are *defiling* yourself. You're getting into the mud with swine, and there is no way to win because you can wrestle that pig all the way to the ground. You can shove its snout into the mud, but at the end of the day, when the pig is laying on the ground and it's dead, and you stand up with your hands in the proverbial victory sign position, *you are filthy*. In the process of what you would call *winning*, you've become defiled. *When you get in the mud with anybody*, and it's not over something that's righteous, *you will never win* because even in the winning, you lose. We need the water of the word of God to wash us clean. Amen.

All right let's move on. It talks about don't take a wife who's a harlot or defiled woman. Why? Because when you do that, you're defiling your position. God says that you are a priest, you're a priest in the order of **Melchizedek**. That word in Hebrew is two words put together, **melech**, **which is king**, and then **tzedek**, **which is righteousness**. It's the *king of righteousness*. **You are a priest in the order of the king of righteousness**, **and we are to be righteous**. That means that we don't lower ourselves to the world, and we don't yoke ourselves with things that

are of this world. We're very careful on everything that we do. Royalty has a different status, then the common folk. It's not a good, bad, or ugly. It is what it is. It's a *role*. You are an example. Everything might be permissible for you that the Bible says you can do, but did you know that there's things that the Bible says you can do that may not be profitable depending on your status? If you are a leader, and you are a priest, and God has given you a role of influence, there's things that *you can't do* that other people might be able to get away with. Because people are watching you. If you're a parent, yes, it might be permissible for you to use certain words that are not curse words, but because your three-year-old is listening, it may not be *wise* or *profitable* to use that language. We need to **know who we are**, we need to **know where we are**, and we need to make sure that we are *operating* inside of the holiness that God desires for us to have. Because everyone is leading someone at some point. If we want God to speak to us, we need to know who we are so that when we approach Him, we are clean.

This entire chapter, ladies and gentlemen, is about clean and unclean and knowing your identity. It is given to the Levitical priesthood. This is not to the Danites, this isn't to the Asherites, this isn't to the Nephtalites, this isn't even to the Judites, what would later be called the Jews today. This is to specifically the Levites, and even more specifically, the sons of Aaron. If you are one of these, God says, "there are special rules for you so that you can come into my presence." My friends, if we want to come into the presence of God, you can't just say, "I believe in Jesus," and then go do what you're going to do, and sin, and come over here and do this, and engage in gossip over here, engage in this, and then do this behind your wife's back, and then come before God and expect Him to do anything for you, to give you a single word from heaven, to experience the presence of God, to walk into even a worship setting, and get anything out of it, because the God of heaven will shut His door on you if you don't follow protocols. You know why? Because He's a holy God. He's a holy God, and He requires those that come before Him to be holy. I'm here to tell you that if you think that you can sin and do whatever you want, and just plead the blood of Christ over your life, you are sorely misinformed, and your believing status is at an elementary level of scripture, because that's not found in scripture. You are a royal priesthood.

Let's read on and find out more of what God has to say. It says here in verse 10, "He who is the high priest among his brethren, and whose head the anointing oil was poured and who is consecrated to wear the garments, shall not uncover his head nor tear his clothes." Now, if you don't understand the Hebraic culture and this idiomatic expression here of uncover your head, you're going to read right past this. But this is an incredible principle for us today, brother, because you're a priest. What it means to uncover his head, He's not talking about necessarily a head covering, He's talking about losing your temper. The word here for uncover, is to lose your cool, if you will, which is what we would say in English, modern day English, is to not be able to control yourself. That's why it says, nor tear his clothes. You tear your clothes out of anger, or out of shock, or out of frustration, all right? He's saying, look, you're wearing the garments. You're wearing the garments, my friend, of Yeshua. The anointing oil of God has been poured over you, that means that you've been set apart. They pour the anointing oil over those that are anointed. In ancient Israel, they would pour it over the sheep and the goats to protect their ears from the buzzing flies. You have the Lord of the flies that is constantly

buzzing around us. But the anointing oil of God, through the blood of Christ, is over your head. Your garments have been stripped. You've been laid naked before the Creator. He put on new garments of white perfect linen, of His Son, and because of that, you have a new identity. Because you have a new identity, your attitude *changes*. *Everything* about you changes, because you are now *in a position of influence*. You are an example. You are an ambassador. You are a representative of the living God in the earth realm.

Do you remember, my friends, when Moses hit the rock twice? Why was hitting the rock twice so significant that it kept him out of the promised land? You would say, "oh, that's a little harsh." Is it? He is the leader of the real free world. He's the one person that God said, "I trust you so much, I'm going to take you above the high priest. I'm going to bring you to the top of the mountain, and I'm going to spend 40 days privately with you. I'm going to let you see me from behind as I walk past you. I'm going to give you intimacy. I'm going to let you see the finger that I have, the finger of God, on stone, writing the Ten Commandments. I'm going to give you what no man has ever had. I trust you to represent my character to these people because they don't know me." When he hit that rock twice, the people were shown a characteristic of God that wasn't there in that moment. Because he misrepresented, God stripped him of his inheritance in that moment, promoted him in other areas overall, but stripped him of the in-the-earth-realm blessing of the only thing 40 years he'd been waiting for. Imagine that my friends, working so hard your whole life for God to bless you, to hear His voice, and in one moment, with *one dumb move*, you lose everything.

This is why our role is so important. This is why we need to understand the gravity of who you are in Christ. You're not an American only, you're not from whatever country that you're from, You are in Christ, and he who is crucified with Christ, you no longer live. Galatians chapter 2, verse 20, "Nevertheless, brethren, it's not I who live, but Christ in me; and the life that I now live in the flesh I live by faith, according to the one who loves me and gave himself up for me." Because He gave up His role in heaven, I'm supposed to give up my role on earth. What is my role on earth? Listen carefully, because what I'm about to tell you is so simple, but it is the secret ingredient to experiencing the power, the presence, and the voice of God. It's giving up your ego. It's giving up the right to be right. It's disrobing yourself and recognizing that you are wearing different garments, that you're not to uncover your head. You're not to lose your cool. You are to remain dignified. You are a king. You are a queen. You are a priest. You are a priestess. You are a prophet and a prophetess. You are representing the Lord God in the earth realm. Can I ask a question? How well are you representing Him? On a scale of 1 to 10, with 10 being you are almost in the image of Christ, and 1 being you can't spell image of Christ, where are you at with what you do in private? How do you operate in public? Do you open up your chest and lose your cool? Are you representing Him? Are you wearing the garments of the high priest?

This message, I believe, prophetically, is to put a *gravity* on you. Some of you that are watching this are looking for some prophecy message at the end of time. I'm telling you, you're not ready for a prophecy message at the end of time because you're not wearing the right robes, or the robes that He gave you are still hanging up behind your door on the hook. Salvation, my friends,

is just the beginning of the spiritual journey. You're going to be sorely disappointed when the creator comes riding on a horse, and you rise to meet Him in the air, and you melt back to the ground because the disappointment that you will *know* that He has, but He lets you in because of the blood of Christ, maybe by smelling like sulfur, as scripture says, but there's no blessing in reward, *nothing*, because you didn't give Him *anything* in return. *Everything* was about you. Ladies and gentlemen, let's go forward. I believe there's way more to come.

Okay, the next section here starting in verse 16 all the way down to 23 and following 24, the rest of the chapter, it talks about these defects, that you're not allowed to come before the Lord with these defects. Any kind of defect. It talks about a blind man or a lame man, one who has a marred face or a limb, or a man that has a broken foot, a broken hand, hunchback, dwarf, a man who has a defect in his eye, scab, a eunuch, all these different defects. When we look at this scripture, a lot of us might say, "well, that's not fair. That person was born blind. What does that have to do with anything? That's not fair, that's not fair," because we're always looking from our perspective. How amazing is it that we literally think about when we say this, we're literally judging the Creator of the universe and telling God, who's infinite in every direction, the One who created all of us, and we're judging Him. We can only use less than 2% of our brain. Scientists say some people may be a little bit more and they become genius if you're like 4%, but we use less than 10% of our brain and we want to judge the Creator and tell Him He's not fair. Not even considering that all we're doing is looking from our own perspective.

My friend, there is another perspective in the universe and it's God Himself. From His perspective, if you come into His presence in ancient Israel, it's *pure holiness*. It's *pure power*. It's *behind the curtain*. It's like the Wizard of Oz. You *don't come behind the curtain* unless you have the credentials to do so. **When you come behind the curtain, you better be holy.** You better be **undefiled**. You better be **clean**. You better have all your ducks in a row, right? You better have the blood of Christ at the very least over the doorpost of your heart or you'll drop dead instantly. When you come before God, He requires *perfection*, because everything about Him is perfect. When He created Adam and Eve, He created them *perfect*. The perfect image of God from the DNA all the way to the spiritual DNA, He wanted it to be perfect before Him when He was here on planet Earth inside of the Holy of Holies. But the spiritual connections to this are *identical*.

How many know that it is prophesied in the Old Testament that the Messiah is going to come and He is going to heal the blind, and He's going to heal the lame, and they're going to walk and run and see again. It's not talking about just physically, it was talking spiritually. The prophets always had a dual layer message, one physical in the earth realm, one spiritual. That's why I always say, whatever happens in the spiritual manifests in the physical, whatever happens in the physical will manifest in the spiritual realm. Why am I saying this? Because when Yeshua heals the blind man at the Pool of Siloam, when He takes the dirt from the ground and spits on it and creates a paste and puts it on his eye, what is He doing? And why did He have to take dirt from the ground? Because Adam was made from the ground. What He was doing in that moment was He was prophetically saying, from the ground Adam sinned, but in this moment, it caused man to be blind. I am going to take the real waters of life that come out of *My mouth*, the

water of the living Word, My saliva representing the Word of God, I'm going to mix it with the dirt, and in this moment, prophetically, I'm going to *recreate* Adam, and he's going to come alive, and he's *finally going to see*. He's not going to be spiritually blind anymore. He will be *set free* from the *bondage* of not being able to see straight. How many of us can't see straight? We'll be in the middle of a situation, we're missing information. We are in an argument with our spouse, or we're frustrated with our work, or we *judge* this person because of *this* amount of information that we see. We literally believe what we hear on the news, and then we judge as if we know all the information. And then we judge God and say, He's not fair.

I'm here to tell you, my friends, at the end of chapter 21, God is speaking to us today as priests and kings, that we are not allowed to come before Him with before Him any defect. Here's what's fascinating. The word defect in the Hebrew here, if I look it up, it literally means, it can be a physical defect, but it can also be a spiritual or moral defect that is an idiom for sin. If you have a moral defect in your life, you've got a lust problem, or you've got hidden sin in your life that has not been confessed. Do you know why the Bible says, confess your sins? Do you know why the Bible says, don't you dare come before me with any kind of gift if you've got ought against your brother? Because we're right here. You can't come before God with a defect. If you're coming before God and you've got lust in your eye, then you're blind. If you have ought with your brother, then you've got a defect in your heart. It's not beating properly. If you've got an issue with something else, and you're not going to your brother to make things right, then your foot is broke, spiritually. God says, don't come before me with all these defects in your life. You can go through everything that you can imagine, right? From an admission, from your body to a brain defect, like everything you can make the connection that a sin is connected to the physical defect. You cannot come before God without confessing that without humbling yourself before that, without *repenting* from that, *then* you can come before the Lord.

All of these quirky, strange, archaic laws that we love to judge and say are bizarre and unfair are there for a reason to *teach us*, that *you cannot come before God with a defect*. This is why my friends, if you want to know the ultimate connection in the physical realm, because I just made the spiritual connection, is this is why when you die, you don't stand before God yet, you wait until the Messiah comes back. You will stay in the grave in a place called Sheol, the righteous holding of the dead, and the dead in Christ that are there will rise from the dead with *glorified bodies* because you cannot stand before God with the regular body that you have. That carnal flesh has been decayed and it *cannot* stand in the presence of a holy God, and nor does God want it to be. It's an insult to Him that the perfectness of what He created us to be is nothing at this point.

In verse 22, look at this, He says, "He may eat the bread of his God, both the most holy and the holy. Don't bring a profane sacrifice before the Lord." What's a profane sacrifice? Don't come before me and call yourself a believer. Don't say that you love me and then hate your neighbor. Don't come before me and you've got hidden sin in your life. You will never hear my voice, and more importantly, He says, "you will not eat the bread of his God." That's an incredible thing that stood out to me like no other. When I was reading this, Holy Spirit said, "don't come before me unclean or I won't feed you." You know, some of us are starving. Paul

says "that the Spirit must increase. The flesh must decrease so the spirit man can increase." How does the spirit man increase? He's being fed. He's being fed by the Holy Spirit, fed by the bread of God. And God says, "I withhold My bread from anyone that comes unclean." Most of the Christian church today is coming before Him unclean. They are profaning the very sanctuary they're walking into, and they don't even know it. It's sad. We don't keep the holidays of God. We profane the Sabbath and we're convinced that it's okay to keep whatever day you want, when God said, "remember the Sabbath on the seventh day, It matters." Like what God said matters. All the Roman church did throughout the centuries, centuries and centuries ago was change things to what they wanted and made Christianity a religion about themselves, mixing the holy with the profane. Now the holy is gone, good is called evil, evil is called good, and we stand before God and say, "He knows my heart." And He says, "yes, I do. It's wicked and deceitful above all ways."

My friends, it's time that we get back to doing Bible things in Bible ways. This is the last thing I want to share with you is out of chapter 22. He says this, "Whoever," in verse three, "of all your descendants throughout your generations, who goes near the holy things," do you want to go near the holy things? Then this is the formula. I told you I'm giving it to you. This is so easy, but so difficult to do. But God wants you to know there is a gravity of coming before Him, and this is what He says, "If you want to come near the holy things which the children of Israel dedicate to the Lord, while he has uncleanness upon him, that person will be cut off from My presence: I am the Lord." If you want to come before the holy things and you want the holy God to speak to you, how dare we come before Him with uncleanness upon us. This is why in Matthew chapter 5, verse 23 and 24, He says, "Don't you come and bring me a gift. Don't you come and raise your hands and play church before me and tell me how wonderful and glorious I am when you've got uncleanness on you."

My friends, can I ask you a question? What's your uncleanness? Because we all have it. I'm going to ask Holy Spirit to reveal it right now in Yeshua's name, what the uncleanness is in the people that are watching this right now, and I want you to write it in the comment section. At the very least, if you're uncomfortable putting your sin in there, say, I have uncleanness. Just write it in the comments right now. **Be humble before your God** and just say, **"God, forgive me for my uncleanness."** Write it out right now, it makes a difference. I believe that God wants us to highlight, He wants to highlight our uncleanness so that we can deal with it. You can't just chalk it up and say, oh, the blood of Christ covers all my uncleanness. That's nowhere to be found in scripture outside of salvation itself. To be able to put on the *uniform*, you must have the blood of Christ. But that doesn't mean you're *ever* going to be in a position of experiencing His presence, His intimacy, or even *His friendship*, much less His power. All of us want to feel valuable, appreciated, and purposed, and I'm telling you, it comes when the Lord God wraps His arms around you, and He lets you know that He's there.

There are so many people out there today that don't even believe in God because they don't believe that God even cares about them. They're asleep. They're not awake. They have so much uncleanness on them that they can't hear the voice of God. They don't see how God is working in miraculous ways all around them. Ladies and gentlemen, I'm here to tell you, the

Lord God desires to give you what you're praying for, but He's restricted by *your own uncleanness* to come close to you. You want to be close to God, begin to **scrub your life of all the things in your life, from bad attitudes, to gossip, to judging people** for things that you may or may not even know. And even if you do know all the details, why judge them? Just pray for them. Because tomorrow you might be in the same situation.

Father God, I just come before you in Yeshua's name and ask that You would speak before Your people and to Your people. Reveal to them right now what that uncleanness is. What they need to do to be holy before You, to *change* their habits, to *change* their direction. And God, I pray that You would bring a *gravity* to their lives to recognize that what You want to do requires them to do something to stop the ego and to start loving people and loving their neighbor as their self and to love You with all their heart, mind, soul, and strength.

I just encourage you right now, my friend, that if you prayed that prayer along with me, and if you didn't, I encourage you to stop, rewind, and do it again. If you didn't, then you're not catching the gravity of what we're trying to say and what the Holy Spirit's trying to convey. He wants to fellowship with you. He wants you to eat His bread. He wants to speak to you, but there is a formula to do that. Be clean before Him. Do whatever it takes in this life because it's going to be found out in the next life. You might as well get it over with now. You might as well be humble now because the humiliation will bring resurrection.

My friends, I pray that God blessed you through this broadcast, and I pray that you will take this message serious and be an ambassador and a representative for Christ like never before. Remember, when we do Bible things in Bible ways, and we go back and we look at the scriptures from the original context, and we ask the Holy Spirit to reveal to us what it means, He'll do that.

All right, my friends, we've come to the end of the broadcast. Make sure you please share this message. Go to our website at passionfortruth.com. Feel free to check out all of our articles and videos, there's hundreds of them. If you'd like to connect with us and you want to see this message go out to the nations, and you'd like to financially partner with us, please, absolutely feel free to connect with us and be one of our partners. We want to make sure this message goes around the world, and we need your help to do that. All right, until next week, my name is Jim Staley with Passion for Truth Ministries, and I'll see you in the next video.

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