

The Power of Reason — The *Why* Behind Desire

We have come to know prayer as a request — the presentation of our “*whats*”, the desires of our hearts before God. But understanding **how** to present those desires is just as important as knowing **why** we bring them.

? Why is it that we can leave the presence of God (prayer) without receiving answers?

James 4:3 (NKJV) “You ask and do not receive, because you ask amiss, that you may spend it on your pleasures.”

God is not merely moved by the **intensity** of your desire, but by **covenant purpose, reason, and spiritual alignment**.

💡 “Reason”

John 15:25 (NKJV) “But this happened that the word might be fulfilled which is written in their law, ‘They hated Me without a cause.’”

Even Jesus acknowledged that certain things happened *so that what was written might be fulfilled*. There was divine **reason** behind every event — even the hatred He faced.

🔍 The “Why” Behind Prayer

Your *why* behind prayer is what helps align you with God’s will. Because God doesn’t merely answer your *what* — He responds to your *why*.

Just as when you place a demand on the anointing, it isn’t activated merely by the demand itself, but by the **reason** behind it. There must be a *why* — and that *why* is what makes the power of God work effectively in your life. Just as when you place a demand on the anointing, it isn’t activated merely because of the demand — but because of the **reason** behind it. There must be a *why*, and that *why* is what makes the power of God work in your life.

🌿 The Story of Hannah — *The Power of a Changed Reason*

Scripture Reference: 1 Samuel 1:1–18

At first, Hannah desired a child because of her **rival**, who provoked her and made her life miserable. Her initial *why* was tied to **rivalry**, not **revelation**.

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1 Samuel 1:6–7 (NKJV) “And her rival also provoked her severely, to make her miserable, because the Lord had closed her womb. So it was, year by year, when she went up to the house of the Lord, that she provoked her; therefore she wept and did not eat.”

Her desire was genuine, but her **reason** was not yet aligned with the will of God. She wanted relief from shame — not yet partnership with divine purpose.

The Turning Point — When Her Reason Changed

When Hannah laid bare her heart before God, her *why* shifted. She made a **vow**, surrendering her desire to God’s purpose:

1 Samuel 1:11 (NKJV) “Then she made a vow and said, ‘O Lord of hosts, if You will indeed look on the affliction of Your maidservant and remember me, and not forget Your maidservant, but will give Your maidservant a male child, then I will give him to the Lord all the days of his life, and no razor shall come upon his head.’”

At that moment, her reason aligned with heaven’s need. The priesthood was corrupt, and the voice of God was scarce in those days — God needed a consecrated vessel, a male child who would restore His voice to Israel.

1 Samuel 3:1 (NKJV) “Now the boy Samuel ministered to the Lord before Eli. And the word of the Lord was rare in those days; there was no widespread revelation.”

When Hannah’s *why* aligned with God’s *why*, heaven responded immediately. Her prayer was no longer born of rivalry but of **revelation** — and that alignment birthed Samuel, the prophet who restored divine order.

God does not merely answer your **what** — He responds to your **why**. The power of prayer lies not in the intensity of desire but in the **alignment of reason**. When your *why* matches God’s purpose, your request becomes a vessel for His will. God didn’t just give Hannah a child — He gave her a **prophet** and a **judge**. When your reason serves the **Kingdom of God**, your request becomes a vessel for divine purpose.

Operating the Anointing by Understanding

Isaiah 10:27 (NKJV) “It shall come to pass in that day that his burden will be taken away from your shoulder, and his yoke from your neck, and the yoke will be destroyed because of the anointing.”

The anointing doesn’t respond merely to emotion or need — it responds to **understanding**. It is the *reason* behind your demand that activates the power of God in your life.

The Trigger of Divine Compassion

Matthew 15:32 (NKJV) “Now Jesus called His disciples to Himself and said, ‘I have compassion on the multitude, because they have now continued with Me three days and have nothing to eat. And I do not want to send them away hungry, lest they faint on the way.’”

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Notice — the miracle was triggered by **divine compassion** and the **necessity** of sustaining those who had stayed with the Word for three days. The *reason* behind the miracle was not random — it was rooted in purpose.

Even the **resurrection of Lazarus** had a reason. The **healing at the pool of Bethesda** had a reason. Every divine act carries a **why** — a purpose that aligns with heaven's intention. When you place a demand on the anointing, ask yourself: **What is the reason behind it?**

Because God does not merely respond to your *need* — He responds to your *reason*. When your *why* aligns with His purpose, the power of God begins to work in your life.

Presenting Strong Reasons

Prayer in the spirit is like a **legal presentation** before a **righteous Judge**. It is not emotional pleading — it is spiritual reasoning built upon covenant truth.

Isaiah 43:26 (NKJV) “Put Me in remembrance; Let us contend together; State your case, that you may be acquitted.”

2 Kings 20:1–11 (NKJV) Hezekiah presented reasons before God — reasons rooted in the **faithfulness** of his covenant relationship. He reminded God of his walk, his obedience, and his devotion. And God responded by extending his life.

1 Kings 18:36–38 (NKJV) Elijah stood before God and the people, presenting a reason that aligned with divine purpose: “Let it be known this day that You are God in Israel.” His prayer was not self-centered — it was kingdom-centered. Fire fell because his reason matched heaven's will.

The Principle

Notice that all these people had **reasons** that aligned with the **will of God**. Their prayers were not self-serving; they were covenant-driven. Prayer is always accompanied by **reason**, and our reasons determine how we operate in the spirit.

Therefore, when we come before God, we should not only bring our *wants* and *aspirations* — we must bring our **why**. There are things God has declared:

“When you do this, I will do that.”

Each of us must discover our **why** — the reason that is rooted deep in the heart. That reason will shape how we operate in the spirit. It will reveal our understanding of the **anointing**, because the anointing carries a **behavior**, a **nature**, and a **purpose**.

When You Pray

1. **Identify your request.** Know what you are asking for — clarity precedes manifestation.
2. **Examine your reason.** Is it born of rivalry? Vanity? Self-preservation? Or is it for **God's glory**?

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3. **Align with understanding.** Bring your being into alignment with the will of God. When your *why* aligns with His *will*, God responds **spiritually by reason of the anointing** — because God is bound to His principles.

