

## 2 CHRON. 7:11-22! JAMES 4:7-10! – REPENTANCE; PRAYING; SEEKING HIM; TURNING FROM WICKED WAYS!

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### SWEET HOUR OF PRAYER - W. Walford/W. Bradbury – Joslin Grove Choral Society

*1 Sweet hour of prayer! sweet hour of prayer! That calls me from a world of care, And bids me at my Father's throne. Make all my wants and wishes known. In seasons of distress and grief, my soul has often found relief, and oft escaped the tempter's snare, By thy return, sweet hour of prayer!*

*2 Sweet hour of prayer! sweet hour of prayer! Thy wings shall my petition bear To Him whose truth and faithfulness. Engage the waiting soul to bless. And since He bids me seek His face, Believe His Word and trust His grace, I'll cast on Him my every care, and wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer!*

2Ch 7:14 – “*if My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn* (that's repentance) *from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.*”

LITERALLY: V.14 “*Then they will humble themselves, My people. They will pray. They will seek My face. They will turn. Then I, even I (emphatic), will turn and I will hear and I will forgive their sin and I will heal their land.*”

- God speaks of this of something that's going to happen. He removes the “if” of it. That's the way He speaks. This is a promise to a literal Jewish people about a literal place. Now, **we can make application. We believers are His people. God wants us, the church, to turn, to repent of our wicked ways!**

CONTEXT: 2Ch 7:11-22 *Thus Solomon finished the house of the LORD and the king's house; and Solomon successfully accomplished all that came into his heart to make in the house of the LORD and in his own house. [12] Then the LORD appeared to Solomon by night, and said to him: "I have heard your prayer, and have chosen this place for Myself as a house of sacrifice. [13] When I shut up heaven and there is no rain, or command the locusts to devour the land, or send pestilence among My people (2 Chron. 6:26-28), [14] if My people who are called by My name will humble themselves,*

- Humbling ourselves from pride! One definition of pride is seeing ourselves above! Above other people—the highest expression in life, **the worst expression of pride, is seeing ourselves above God!**
- For the child of God, **willful disobedience, that I'm aware of, but I just keep doing that, is the worst, the height of pride** in my life – seeing myself above God, above His Word, His standards!

and pray

- Prayer is **our expression of dependence upon God**. Prayerlessness, an **expression of our independence**. So here is the return to God, recognizing our dependence upon Him

and seek My face,

- Abandoning any hope in themselves and **to fully rely on their hope in the Lord!**

and turn from their wicked ways,

- Repentance! **Repentance is having a change of mind about the sinful direction** I'm going in, that produces a change in action! It changes my direction in life. It begins in the mind, recognizing that I'm disobeying God's word. I don't like the direction I'm going in, so I'm going to change direction! **No true repentance occurs unless there is a change in direction in life** – it's more than Godly sorrow! Repentance is not just feeling Godly sorrow, but when I turn from my sinful direction!

then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.

- Then God will hear and will forgive and will heal!

*[15] Now My eyes will be open and My ears attentive to prayer made in this place. [16] For now I have chosen and sanctified this house, that My name may be there forever; and My eyes and My heart will be there perpetually. [17] As for you, if you walk before Me as your father David walked, and do according to all that I have commanded you, and if you keep My statutes and My judgments, [18] then I will establish the throne of your kingdom, as I covenanted with David your father, saying, 'You shall not fail to have a man as ruler in Israel.' [19] "But if you turn away and forsake My statutes and My commandments which I*

have set before you, and go and serve other gods, and worship them, [20] then I will uproot them from My land which I have given them; and this house which I have sanctified for My name I will cast out of My sight, and will make it a proverb and a byword among all peoples. (reminding of necessary obedience! He never warns, unless there is a need for it!) [21] "And as for this house, which is exalted, everyone who passes by it will be astonished and say, 'Why has the LORD done thus to this land and this house?' [22] Then they will answer, 'Because they forsook the LORD God of their fathers, who brought them out of the land of Egypt, and embraced other gods, and worshiped them and served them; therefore He has brought all this calamity on them.' "

**HERE IS THE NEW TESTAMENT EQUIVALENT EXHORTATION FOR US, IN THE COVENANT THAT WE ARE IN – Individual rather than national!**

**Jas 4:7 Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.**

**Jas 4:8 Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded.**

**Jas 4:9 Lament and mourn and weep! Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom.**

**Jas 4:10 Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He will lift you up.**

**PRAY FOR OUR NATION'S LEADERS: - President & V.P.: Donald & Melania Trump; Mike & Karen Pence.**

**Cabinet Members/Advisors: Sec. of State – Mike Pompeo; Energy – Rick Perry; Interior – David Bernhardt;; Defense – Patrick Shanahan; Treasury – Steven Mnuchin; Attorney General – William Barr; HUD – Ben Carson; Commerce – Wilbur Ross; Health & Human Services – Alex Azar; Education – Betsy DeVos; Trans. – Elaine Chou; U.N Ambassador – Jonathan Cohen; Labor – Alex Acosta; Homeland Security – Kirstjen Nielsen; EPA – Andrew Wheeler; Budget – Mick Mulvaney; SBA – Linda McMahon; Agriculture – Sonny Perdue; Vet. Affairs – Robert Wilkie; C.I.A. Director – Mike Pompeo; Amb. to Israel – David Friedman; Nat Econ Council Dir. – Gary Cohn; Nat. Intell. – Dan Coats; US Trade Rep. – Robert Lighthizer; Sr. Adv. to Pres. – Jared Kushner/Stephen Miller; Homeland Sec. Adv. – Thomas Bossert;  
**Supreme Ct. Justices: John Roberts, Jr., Anthony Kennedy, Clarence Thomas, Ruth Ginsburg, Stephen Breyer, Samuel Alito, Sonia Sotomayor, Elena Kagan, Neil Gorsuch; Brett Kavanaugh;****

**PRAY FOR CALIFORNIA: (See attached):**

**PRAY FOR WORLD LEADERS: - Pray for World Leaders, especially their salvation, including: Xi Jinping – China;**

**Narendra Modi- India; Donald Trump – USA; Joko Widodo - Indonesia; Jair Bolsonaro - Brazil; Arif Alvi - Pakistan; Muhammadu Buhari - Nigeria; Hasina Wazed - Bangladesh; Vladimir Putin- Russia; Lopez Obrador – Mexico; Benjamin Netanyahu – Israel; Angela Merkel – Germany; Theresa May – U.K.; Kim Jong-un – North Korea; Moon Jae-in – South Korea.**

**PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH/PERSECUTED CHURCH; SCHOOLS; POLICE OFFICERS/MILITARY; ISRAEL:**

**ISURRENDER ALL – Judson Van de Venter – Marantha Hymn #70**

**1 - All to Jesus I surrender, All to Him I freely give; I will ever love and trust Him, In His presence daily live.**

**Refrain: I surrender all, I surrender all. All to Thee, my blessed Savior, I surrender all.**

**2 - All to Jesus I surrender, Humbly at His feet I bow, Worldly pleasures all forsaken; Take me, Jesus, take me now.**

**Refrain**

**3 - All to Jesus I surrender, make me, Savior, wholly Thine; Let me feel Thy Holy Spirit, truly know that Thou art mine.**

**Refrain**

**4 - All to Jesus I surrender, Lord, I give myself to Thee; Fill me with Thy love and power, Let Thy blessing fall on me.**

**Refrain**

**5 - All to Jesus I surrender, Now I feel the sacred flame. Oh, the joy of full salvation! Glory, glory to His name! Refrain**

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Shirley D. Weber, **D**

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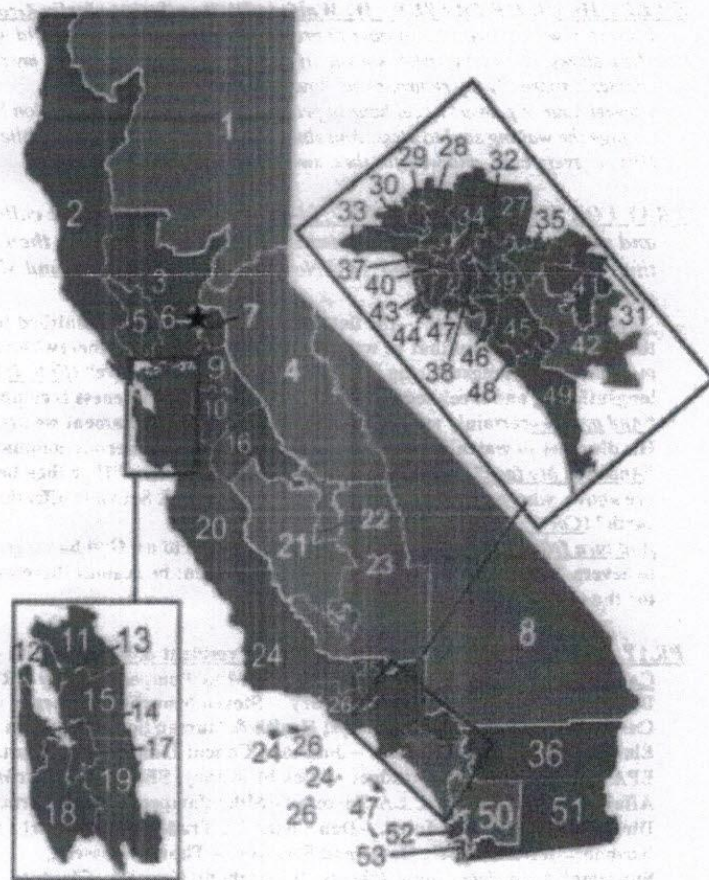
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