

# Caller ID

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Nathaniel Bronner: Welcome to Brothers of the Word because, brother, you need the word. And today, if you have been praying onto God, and yet it seems as if the answer has not come and you've been praying and you've been praying and you've been praying, and yet, no answer. I want you to stay tuned and I want you to listen to this message today and you may get some keys as to why your prayers have not been answered. We're going to be studying today from the Book of Second Chronicles in Chapter 7 and I'm going to be reading the NIV version beginning at the first verse of Second Chronicles Chapter 7.

When Solomon finished praying, fire came down from heaven and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices, and the glory of the Lord filled the temple. The priest could enter the temple of the Lord because the glory of the Lord filled it. 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."

Then the king and all the people offered sacrifices before the Lord. And the King Solomon offered a sacrifice of 22,000 head of cattle and the 120,000 sheep and goat. So, the King and all the people dedicated the temple of God. Skipping the verse 11. When Solomon had finished the temple of the Lord and the royal palace, and had succeeded in carrying out all he had in mind to do in the temple of the Lord and in his own palace, the Lord appeared to him at night and said, "I have heard your prayer and have chosen this place for myself as a temple for sacrifices. When I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain or command locusts to devour the land or send a plague among my people."

Now, this is God telling Solomon for you all think all the stuff come from the devil. Here God is saying, "I've heard your prayer, and I've chosen this place for myself as a temple for sacrifices." God says, "When I shut up the heaven so that there is no rain," that means drought, that means famine, that means that folks don't have enough to eat; that relates to provision, it relates to money. He said, "When I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain or command locusts to devour the land." And locusts came in just a big swam and just ate up everything. Have you all ever had anything just come in your world, just ate up all your stuff? One thing broke behind another that you had

to spend up money to try to fix, and to pack and to stop and they keep from flowing out.

One thing I have nothing but locusts and He said, “When I send locusts upon the land to devour the land or send a plague among the people.” Plague is nothing but raw(ph), straight out, uncut sickness. All that stuff -- they come from the devil. God said, “When I send sickness on the land to put a plague on the folk.” So, here these areas that we always attribute all the stuff to the devil. God said, “Look here, when I do it, I do it. And this is 14th verse of the Second Chronicles Chapter 7.

If my people, -- you all say, if. See, whenever if proceeds anything, it means that it is conditional, that means it is absolute meaning you go one way at all(ph). Whenever God proceeds something with an ‘if,’ it means that it is conditional.

If my people who are called by my name will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land.

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If my people who are called by my name. And often people will leave messages here on the church’s answering machine and I listen to the message, and if God leads me -- and often times, people will leave a message and they leave their name and they leave their phone number, and they all said, “Pastor, will you please call me?” And they don’t go to this church, but they are called and they’ll tell the detail out a long situation and they’ll leave a message and said, “Pastor, will you please call me and just discuss this thing with me?” Whatever it is or they want to hear from a man of God in the pastoral stuff after they’ve seen some of us on television and they’ll leave that kind of message, and I don’t answer all of them, but sometimes if God leads me to call the people, I’ll call.

But most of the time in the office, I’m busy. And I’ll do most of my calling from the car. I put my little earbud in and I dial from my cellphone, but I will never transmit my cellphone number because you know what happens if you transmit your number, don’t you? Folks will call you back. They’ll call you back all the times, at night, all -- they will not stop calling you. So, I am

very particular. I don't give my cellphone out to very many people. And oftentimes people ask, even it says, "What's your cellphone?" I will give up my cellphone number. I just tell them right up front. I'm not going to give you my cell-- I'll give you the office number, but I don't want you calling me on my cellphone. Because folks will interrupt you no matter where you are.

So, I don't transmit my cellphone number whenever I call someone back. And often when I do that, this is the message that I will get, "Your call has been properly delivered." But the person has chosen that if you don't transmit your number, they will not answer the phone. That's based as what it says on a nutshell. It simply says, "If you transmit and make a call without the caller ID information being displayed, their phone won't even ring." And as a result, it blocks me from answering so many calls because I have to do it in the time that I have a lot to do it, but too often, so many people have the thing blocked, and they have it blocked, so they don't answer the phone from someone that they don't want to talk to like a bill collector. So, they have the phone blocked.

And I want to speak to you today simply from the subject of caller ID. You see some of our prayers are blocked because of the caller ID. And we called up to heaven, it displays on God's screen who's calling, and some of our prayers cannot get through because of what is displayed on the caller ID. The Bible calls it hindrances to prayer. And in the New Testament, do you know the first mention of why hinder prayer in the New Testament is first Peter, Chapter 3? And it says this, "Wives, in the same way be submissive to your husband so that if any of them do not believe the word, they may be won over without words by the behavior of their wives, when they see the purity and reverence of your lives. Your beauty should not come from outward adornment such as such as braided hair and the wearing of gold jewelry and fine clothes. Instead, it should be that of your inner self, the unfading beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is of great work in God's sight. For this is the way the holy women of the past who put their hope in God used to make themselves beautiful. They were submissive to their own husbands like Sarah who obeyed Abraham and called him her master. You are her daughters if you do what is right and do not give way to fear.

Husbands, in the same way be considerate as you live with your wives, and treat them with respect as the weaker partner and as heirs with you of the gracious gift of life so that nothing will hinder your prayers.

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The first mention in the new testament of hindrance to prayers, is relationship with your spouse, and when you pray, what pops up on the caller ID? When the phone rings -- brrringgg, brrringgg, and God saw that it says unsubmitted to husband? When you look over the caller ID, does it say not treating wife right? And it's a hindrance to our prayer, and it is (00:10:38) that we can just get this one point of the caller ID, it will be for some serious changes. It was interest -- the Bible tells the wife to be submitted to the husband even if they do not believe the word. And see, it goes contrary to all of our modern teaching(ph). It says even though if he is an unsaved man, even if he doesn't obey the word of God, even if he won't listen to the Bible, even if he won't attend church. It says still be submitted to your husband, and the Bible says about -- it says that a woman with a gentle and quiet spirit is valuable in God's sight. I'm going to tell you some, that's valuable in man's sight, too. That's not just God sight, and God said, "This is a valuable woman with just a gentle and a quiet spirit," and in the King James version, it says, "A meek and a quiet spirit," meaning humble.

But do you know what we are today? Instead of us being humble and quiet, we're proud and loud. We're proud and loud, and you can always take something and then take the corollary. God said, "It's a humble and a quiet woman is a great value," then what is he saying about somebody that is proud and loud? (00:12:06) about what he's saying(ph). So here, God is saying that when a relationship, the woman is not submitted or when the man is not treating the woman right, says dwell with your wife according to knowledge, and based in the Bible says, "You are to treat her as your own flesh." So, now unfortunately, that's why God had to give the command to the woman first because even some man who treat the woman as their own flesh still in good. They put dope(ph) in the flesh, all kind of mess in the flesh, you (00:12:46). They're treating that flesh all kind of way. So, sometimes, God has to even tell the woman be submitted to this man even when this man ain't even treating himself right, and you know that he ain't treating himself right.

And he's not treating his own flesh right. You know he is not going to treat your flesh right. But he had God says, "Be submitted and you will win him over, by him just seeing you're a quiet and humble spirit over a period of time. The anointing of that thing will -- and every minister can tell you. There are so many men who have come as a result of years and years and years upon seeing a diligent and a faithful wife who follows God.

And they will see C. Elijah tells a story of Smith Wigglesworth, one of the greatest evangelists in the world. And it takes him to tell the story of how he told his wife when she went to that prayer meeting one more time and he was going to lock out. He locked the door, and when she got back, it was cold and there she was curled up at the door. When he opened the door the next morning, she just fell in the door, and she got up and fixed with his favorite breakfast. Now see, most women today they said, "I'll just fix him his breakfast all right, but ought to have on a special order of hot grits." Ought to have some boiling hot grits and as soon as that rat(ph) will set down that plate, out of taking those hot grits. But when Wigglesworth saw his wife's gentle and quiet spirit, he said, "What man of God is this woman serving?"

You see people whenever we react in the manner of the world, the only way people can tell you follow Jesus is when you don't react like the world.

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The world is hot grits. There's no difference from the world. The world is proud and loud. There's no difference from the world. The only way people can tell that there's something different about you is when you respond opposite to a situation of how the world would respond. And yes, even in relationship, and Pastor John Rice wrote this passage that I want to read to you.

Many a Christian woman has wept as she told me how earnestly she prayed, how diligently she attended the house of God, how eagerly she did church work, and God seemed not to hear her prayers about an unsaved husband or son or daughter. It is a remarkable fact that in nearly every congregation of Christians are godly women, women who pray, who read their Bibles, who

live lives more or less separated from worldliness in general, and yet who cannot get their prayers answered for the conversion of their loved ones. "Why? Why?" The cry comes.

The answer is not found in the public church services. The answer is not found if you watch such good women singing in the choir, teaching in the Sunday School, attending Bible conference, giving money to the poor. No. Our sins and hindered prayer are primarily home-sins. The sins of Christians which hinder their prayer then stop heaven, and shut the ears of God and grieve Him till He turns His dear face away from His own born-again children are not most often the sins of the tavern, nor of the dance floor, nor of the theater. They are not the public sins so much as the private sins. They are not the sins in the church so much as in the homes.

You remember Achan and the wedge of gold and the 200 shekels of silver and Babylonish garment which he stole, treasures dedicated to God. When the curse of God was pronounced upon all Israel, Achan finally admitted. They are hidden in the earth in the midst of my tent and the silver under it. Achan's sin was not a public sin. Others never dreamed it was a home-sin.

And, dear wife who reads this. If you are guilty of this horrible sin of rebellion against the one whom you took with solemn vows as your husband to honor, love and obey, then that sin today hinders your prayers. That rebellion is the secret of why God has turned away His face and many of your prayers go unanswered.

Rebellion is the sin of fallen angels. Rebellion is the sin which damns every Christ-rejecting sinner. Rebellion against authority is the heart of all crime and every criminal in a penitentiary has been guilty first not of murder, nor of theft, but has been guilty first of rebellion against authority. This was the sin of the prodigal son. Rebellion is the very heart of all sin. Dear Christian wife, God says to you that if you will not be subject to your husband that your prayers are hindered.

Now for the husbands. And again, He says, "Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with them according to knowledge, giving honor unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and being heirs together of the grace of life, that your prayers be not hindered."

Husbands, too, have their prayers hindered if they do not deal Scripturally with their wives.

Number one, husbands are to dwell with their wives according to knowledge, that is based on an understanding of the Scriptures relating to husband and wife. "Giving honor to the wife as unto the weaker vessel," and "as being heirs together of the grace of life." Husbands, then, should take the place accorded them in the Scriptures as heads of the home, high priests unto God, responsible for the home and for the children like Joshua who said, "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord," for "the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church." Husbands are to rule over their wives. A husband who does not dwell with his wife according to knowledge of the plain command of Scripture is likely to have his prayers go unanswered and hindered.

A husband is to remember that he is stronger than his wife. His life should be an example to his wife. The husband ought to be able to explain the Scriptures to his wife. The heavy responsibilities of earning a living, of disciplining children, winning the family to Christ, of religious instruction in the home and the family, these heaviest burdens ought to fall heaviest on the husband's shoulders. The man who shirks and avoids such responsibilities, leaving them for the weaker partner, sins before God and will have his prayers hindered.

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Both husband and wife, when the caller ID rings, what does it flash about you? Turn to your person sitting next and ask him, "Who's calling?" What does it say about you when the caller ID - - and see these things just in relationship, the world has given us so much stuff that's just not biblical. See, we oftentimes are basing our relationship on what (00:20:38) magazines said. We're basing on what Oprah said, on what Dr. Phil said, or Dr. Lu(ph) said, and see all of the stuff that we're basing it on marriage, with children. We're basing relationship on stuff of the world, not the other world because stuff of the world will always contradict stuff of the word, and people would say that the Bible -- this is old-fashioned, it's outdated. You got to be kidding.

If human nature has not changed, the only thing that has changed is technology; that's the only thing that appears to be new, and I say appears to be new because I'm not sure about that. I don't know what technology used to be and even with all of our technological expertise and all of our vast knowledge, we still can make a blade of grass. So, the greatest technician in all of the world who wrote the word, who said that his word will never go void, and it is unchanged and the stuff is not old fashioned, and you have to make a decision whether you follow the word of God, or whether you're going to follow the word.

Isaiah 59 first verse says, "Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save neither His ear heavy that it cannot hear." It said, "Lord's hands are not shortened. They came to save nor His ear heavy that He can't hear." But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hidden his face from you that he will not hear. When you call up to God, there's the caller ID saying work of iniquity. God is seeing work of iniquity, and He says your iniquitive(ph) behavior has called what God -- do you wonder why I answer prayer request and pray-over prayer request on the MountainWings hundreds about the weekend, and one constant theme, God is not hearing me. He's not -- why can't I get my prayers answered? Why won't God answer my -- why?

I'm giving you some of the keys. What does a caller ID say when you call up to God? First Peter chapter 3 verse 12 says, "For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and His ears are open onto their prayers. But the face of the Lord is against them that do evil." Ring! Is it flesh enough, evil doer, when you call up to God? See, your call has been properly delivered; that's not the problem. When you pray, your call has been properly delivered, but the caller ID is flashing something up on the screen and some areas where God sees them until you get some of the stuff straightened out. He's not even going to hear your prayer.

Psalms 66:18 says, "If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me." What's in your heart? How are you treating your fellowman? Do you have unforgiveness? Do you know that's the hindrance? And you have odd against your brother, and you called it up and want God to straighten up all your mess and yet you won't forgive someone else? That's why even Jesus -- he said, "Look, when you come bringing your offering," he said, "bring your offering, but leave it on the offering table, and go

back and get that thing straight with your brother.” He said, “God, he doesn’t even want to accept your offering that now we don’t want to preach that too hard.” But Jesus said, “God didn’t even want your offering until you get a straight with your brother,” and we have too much of unforgiveness and strife among the Christian brotherhood. The calls in the caller ID will come up unforgiver.

If my people who are called by my name, so that’s caller ID right there.

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That’s why you remember when it said, “Jesus, I came with the Jesus,” and “Lord, Lord, didn’t we work miracles in that name?” And Jesus said, “Get away from me, you work of iniquity, I never know you.” See, they said, “Look, we (00:25:26) the caller ID.” The caller ID tells you who you really are, and too often, the caller ID is saying something that blocks and hinders our prayers. “Who are called by My name will humble themselves.” That’s the first name -- humble -- because, see, their pride just stands in the way. If the pride is the thing that calls (00:25:52), he said, “I want to be God,” and until we can get ourselves humble, we don’t have a problem getting our prayers to.

I am about out of time for those of you who are watching this broadcast via television, but if you want to hear the rest of this, simply go to [AirJesus.com](http://AirJesus.com) and just listen to the message, Caller ID. If you like to send it to a friend, you can go there and just click send to a friend. You can send this message to anyone absolutely free of charge, if you think you know someone who’s praying and can’t get their prayers answered. I thank you for joining us today on Brothers of the Word because, brother, you need the word.

If my people who are called by my name will humble themselves, that’s why when you pray, you bow your head. I always used to wonder, I said “Why do we pray and look down if God is up?” Because it is an act of humility, because the proud look and the stiffed neck is -- God can really deal with a proud man. He just can’t get anything else, and first of all, you figure you knew it all, that’s first problem. The first thing that comes with pride is an unusual and full of confidence in how much you know. That’s the first thing that comes with pride is you figured

you just know it all, and all you don't know, you figured you can figure it out. That's the first thing that comes with pride is how much you think you know. And do you know it's hard to tell a man some who just know it all? No, no. It's hard to tell a man some who know it all. It's just hard to get something in his head because he thinks he knows it all.

The true wise man -- and this is what the ancient sages have always known. The true wise man understands how little it is he knows. Even the more you understand about nature, the more you realize how much it is you don't know. The more you understand, the more you realize how little you truly know. If my people who are called by my name. See, there's not talking about the folk who's not saying -- some people just say, "I don't believe in all that stuff. I don't believe in the Bible. I believe they're just some old bunch of myth. I don't even believe it." He said, "If the people will call by My name will humble themselves and pray."

Do you know a prayer lasts have gone lucky? I mean the time that most Christians spend in prayer, if you add it up by the year is not much. We don't spend much time praying. See, we don't even know our prayers are blocked because we not have a brand. We're not even calling. You need a regular prayer life, and when you don't have a regular prayer life, it disconnects you from just being able to hear the voice of God. You need a regular time and you need a regular prayer life. If my people who are called by my name will humble themselves and pray and seek my face. Seeking God's face, the Bible says that no man can see the face of God and live. When you seek God's face and when you do see his face, the all you will die. No man can see God's face and live. When you truly find the face of God, the old man who was seeking something is going to die because how can you be reborn if they're old then die. But the old(ph) will always hang on and struggle and clean not to die, that's another Lord nature, nothing wants to die. And that old man will give you the biggest battle in the world, about not dying.

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It boils down, I don't want to change. I've been this way all this time, comfortable in this way. This is the way I know, but when you seek the face of God and when you find things will die and new things will be reborn and turn from their wicked ways. Too

often, we come to church, pray and leave church in unchanged(ph). And oftentimes, we think of wicked ways as being, you know, dope, and sex and stealing and all that kind of stuff, and that's part of wicked ways, but to be honest about it, that's not the bigger part that keep most of us out of heaven; it's the stuff in here. It's the stuff in here, our thought patterns, and what we're saying and how we love our -- if the stuff in here to keep -- that's most of our wicked ways, and if we don't turn from our wicked ways, and turning people is always a difficult thing. But if you want your prayers answered, and God says, if then -- here is your five thing, if then, if then, then will I hear, I mean, I'll hear your stuff from heaven. Then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land. See, we want our sins forgiven, but primarily we want our land healed. To be honest about it, most folks don't even give a hook by the sin forgiven. They just want the land healed.

Lord, I need -- my bank account is sick, my body's sick, my relationship's sick. Most folks don't really -- their main thing really is -- I haven't heard anyone -- all the prayers I read of, I don't hear anyone praying about forgiving their sin. They're praying about healing their land instead their sins being forgiven. Because that's something that's really fall that because that happens whereabouts in the next life. They're trying to get that land healed. If you do these five things, then I would hear from heaven and I will forgive their sin, and what most folks' answers to that, heal their land.

That's the bottom line. See, to be honest about it, people could get their land healed without praying, they would even pray. See, if the land was healed, they would -- folks praying trying to get the land healed. So, if the land was healed, they wouldn't even be praying in the first place. Then when I say 'they,' I'm talking about the majority of people including myself. You'll say, "Pastor, yeah! I pray hardest when I need my land healed," that's just all that he's doing, and God will often give me a directive about getting my land healed. Do you know how God will tell me? Do what I've told you to do. That's all God will tell me, "Do what I told you to do," and in your head it will say, "Well, Lord, I hear you. Thank you for that word."

But can you just kind of step in and just -- you understand? You know this is what we want. I know because -- "I hear your word. I know you said 'do what you told me to do,' you know I

understand, but Lord, can you just give me just a little supernatural hear(ph) right now.” You understand what I’m saying? We don’t want to go through the long diligent part of doing what God has told us to do. Can you just step in and give me your (00:34:05) to this healing? And that’s what we want, turn from your wicked ways, pray, humble yourself, and you’ll find God will be able to hear your prayers because it will pop up on the caller ID righteous man, righteous woman, child of God, follower of Jesus; that’s what would pop up, and do you know you answer your caller ID based on who’s calling? All of you do that, all of you do that.

Charles used to tell a story of my mother before they even had caller ID, and someone will call the house and my mother, “Who is it?” And Charles will tell her and my mother (*whispers*).

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You know, that’s the old caller ID where you (*whispers*). Because once the caller was IDed(ph), you didn’t even want to talk to them. God is saying we need to get our caller ID cleared and straight, so that he can hear our prayers and that they won’t be hindered and we can get our sins forgiven, and what most of us are interested in, so we can get our land healed.

And Peter asked me this morning as he was putting on my microphone, Peter who is the in-charge of our audio/video department. He said, “My brother’s wife is critically ill.” And he gave me some of the details of what she is going through, and he was saying, “Could you just--” and he didn’t even finish the statement, but I knew he was saying, “Could you just pray for her?” You can’t pray for anyone else, if you can’t get your own prayer. And to be honest about it, it may sound funny to you, but I had some people that did come to me and said, “You know, so and so--” they said they’re praying, but I said, “Look, they can’t get their own prayer through.” I don’t think they can get one through to me because they can’t get their own prayer through.

So, not only where your prayer -- so, in order for you to be able to even pray for other, you have to get your own prayer through; that’s why some of us by intrinsic knowledge, we’ll come and say, “Will you pray for me,” because you know somehow your own prayers won’t get through. And we know -- without even

knowing all of the background of Scripture, we know that our prayers are hindered. You ought to not only be able to pray for yourself. And just like when we were getting ready to go on a trip and my mother (00:37:18), "I have to do have my own brand." I do my own brand, and one of the things possible, I do my own brand. Even when we go to eat, and we had a banquet and there's a prayer. Say, "I'll pray on my own food." I do and there's just -- I'll pray on my -- my wife would say, "I pray on my own food every time. I do my own brand because I have to make sure my own prayers are not hindered because I will be honest about it."

Sometimes folks don't be up at night praying for you. And I'll be honest about it, I don't see a folk in the middle of the night praying for other folks. Some folks and sometimes, people will call me and say, "Pastor, I got this. Will you pray? Will you pray right now." And that's why I stop and pray with them likely because I will be perfectly honest with you once I get out of that dope. I will be honest. I'm just -- look, I would like to tell you all that, "Look, when you ask me to pray, I got -- Oh, I got famous. Oh, I can't rest. I can't go to--" Once I get out of that dope, I'm likely to forget all about the situation.

So, I would tell -- I said, "Look, let's pray right here and right now because I'm not going to sit here and tell you I'm going to pray for you once I get out of that dope." It is not that I wouldn't be willing. I'll just go and forget it. Now, you can tell C. Elijah and he'll be up in the middle of the night praying, but I won't be asleep. I'm just honest about it. I'm going to be decided to sleep.

So, we need to be able to get our own prayers through because there are times when you need to be able to hear from God and even -- and see, sometimes God will speak to me and He will not heal the land, but He will tell me why the land is sick, and that's a great knowledge just in itself. See, sometimes, if you can just understand -- see, sometimes, God will say, "Look, boy, you got to go through this. This is the reason why you must go through this." Sometimes, that helps you. If your muscle is solid(ph), it makes a difference if you understand whether something is wrong with the muscle or whether you've been working out with it and that's why -- so it makes some -- but you can't hear from God if your communication with Him is hindered. And sometimes just a knowledge of why something is sick, is a great benefit to you, just to know, "Son, you got to go through this."

And even as I begin, even with the relationships between spouses, it was just like -- you remember in the Bible Hosea?

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God told Hosea to go and marry Gomer, and Gomer gave Hosea a fit(ph) because He told Hosea to go and marry a prostitute, where Hosea was able to survive it because God told him why. And see, some of you, you're going through stuff and you don't even know why. And if you could hear from God, it won't necessarily be that God will solve it right then, but if you can hear from Him, He would at least tell you why, and it makes a big difference. God told me, he said, "Boy, you don't have to go to a (00:40:34)." I don't fool with that. That's why I have to -- "Lord, I do not want to fool with that." He said, "You don't have to go through it." He said, "But remember this: Don't you focus on the experience. You focus on what Job got after the experience." So, see, even if he has to go through something, if you can understand the why, it will take so much of the load and so much of the burden because so many people have to go through so much myth(ph) and they keep wondering why, why, why, and they don't know why. They don't know why because they have no communication with God because their prayers are hindered. And you need to get the channel open so that you can hear what God has to say to you and so that God will hear what you have to say to Him.

Right now, we are going to bow our heads and we want to pray for Diane McCure(ph) because I said my prayer is not hindered and I got some issues (00:41:37) but my prayers are not hindered. I hear from God pretty good and God will tell me some stuff even in the midst of some of the roughest stuff I'm going through. He will tell me, and it gives me peace. So, my prayers are not hindered because if you hear from Him and I can ask Him something and He'll answer, and a lot of times, He'll answer, but the answers are not clear. He answers me with some cryptic stuff. And I'll just say, "Lord, why in the world don't you just tell me stuff straight? Why you got to give me some cryptic answer that it takes me awhile to figure out? Why you just can't tell me straight?"

God answered me on that. He said, "My word is cryptic." I said, "You're going right about that." If you read some of the revelation, you can figure out (00:42:27) you're right. So, I

understood it, but you see, if you have a communication, you can understand the why. And see, if you can understand the why, then at least one thing about when stuff go wrong, I shall know why. There is no question in my mind. I can point back in my own life. I see exactly where I -- I said go and told me to do this, I didn't do it, that is why this stuff happened. I can't blame anyone but myself. I can't blame it on the devil. See, some people -- they always thinking Lord, I don't know devil. I think devil most of the time. Not the vast, vast majority of the time that is not the devil(ph). That's us and we have deviated and left the path of God and the devil leads(ph) offered the path of God. So, we just walked over his territory, but that was him. So, people we need to get our prayers unhindered, but we need to make sure of what showing up on the caller ID.

Bow your heads. Dear Heavenly Father, we come before you today and we want to ask a special prayer of healing and restoration for Diane McCure(ph). Dear Father, we thank you for having a brother-in-law in her relation who had wisdom enough to even ask the man of God that they should pray for her well-being. Dear Father, we pray for the restoration of flesh and we pray for the restoration of spirit. For whenever flesh has to go through a trial, it pulls upon spirit. And dear Father, we pray right now that you strengthen and that you restore both, and we pray for those around Diane that they shall be strengthened and that they shall be given the spirit of the caretaker, that even in the midst of trial and in the midst of tribulation, it shall bring out the best and she'll bring out Christ's love that you'll even strengthen, renew and restore relationship. In Thy son, Jesus His name, we pray. Amen. Amen. Amen and Amen. Amen.

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I hope you all can feel some prayer lines being opened up and unblocked within your own lives. And it is right to ask the preacher to pray, but it is more right for you to be doing your own plan for your own situation, for your own relatives, for the own people around you. You need to be able to do your own prayer. And God will hear you. Turn from your wicked ways. He did not say unless you've done this. It's all inclusive, so no matter what you have done, all you have to do is just turn, no matter what you've done. Man, if you haven't been treating your wife right, just straighten up from this point forward.

Women, if you haven't been submitted onto your husbands, just straighten it up from this point forward. He then worked with what's behind you. He is going to work with what you're doing right now, which will influence what she's going to do in the future.

Get your prayers unhindered. I use it now when God has given me something to speak but often it is confirmed and when I gather for the podium and I just open the Bible. In no particular place, I just put my hand and open it. It opened to Second Chronicles which is your verse that I was to speak from today. And it opened at the beginning of that chapter and I knew when I saw Second Chronicles and that was the main verse for today. It would appear to be a random opening that it was again God's confirmation that this message was sent -- because some of the stuff, some folks just don't like -- I know they just don't like it. Sorry, but that's God's word whether you like or not.

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