

THE ALMIGHTY I AM

PRAYERS & DECLARATIONS TO KNOW AND
ENCOUNTER GOD

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This book does not aim to provide an exhaustive theological treatise or engage in scholarly discourse. Rather, its purpose is to kindle an ardent devotion to God in the reader, surpassing the mere intellect. As I allude to the names, attributes, and titles of God, my intention is to evoke a passionate connection with Him. I have intentionally capitalized every word referring to God to add a reverential tone when speaking about God and to distinguish between the human element from the Deity element. My hope and prayer are that as you delve into the pages of this book, you will discover a message that sparks a profound longing within you to seek and experience God through the revelation of His magnificent nature, names, and attributes. In doing so, may your pursuit of God be ignited and your encounter with Him be enriched.

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PART 1

LAYING A FOUNDATION OF
PRAYER

SPIRIT-LED PRAYERS

Our feelings and emotions can easily be turned downward and subjective when we pray. There is nothing wrong with using our emotions if we channel them on the right path. However, we must remember that God is greater than our feelings and emotions (see 1 John 3:20). He knows everything. Our emotions can take us for a long ride to places we never even intended to go.

When prayers are emotionally misguided, they can be dangerous to you and others because they are not Spirit-led. Prayers can become attacks against our brethren instead of prayers to declare God's Word and blessing. We can weep and cry during a prayer (I do it all the time); however, we should do it through His Word by declaring and believing His names, attributes, character, works, promises, and praises to His Name. I see more results in my prayers when I do this.

I used to get extremely emotional to the point where, whenever I prayed, subjective feelings and negative ideas always took control of the prayer, making it difficult for me to believe God's Word or have faith in my situation. But when I bring my mind in alignment with the language of God's Word in prayer, I see and feel how my emotions and mind submit to God's Word. I take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ. When this happens, I can still weep and cry out to God, but the difference is that my prayer is now from a different position, seated with Christ in the heavens from a higher place of

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authority. Despite my emotions, I can speak into any situation by declaring what God's Word says and who He is. Then, my faith starts to rise with hope because faith comes by hearing the Word of God.

My subjective thinking and emotions no longer take the lead; instead, the Spirit of God is now in full control. My prayer becomes Spirit-led. Ephesians 6:18 says we need to pray at all times in the Spirit. John 4:23–24 says we must worship in the Spirit, for God is Spirit. Therefore, praying and worshiping in the Spirit is obviously important to God. Praying in the Spirit takes a mental effort to focus on the right Spirit, the person of God, who He is, and His language. We must learn His language by praying His Word, names, attributes, works, character, and promises.

Praying through God's glorious character and nature is a language that makes an instant connection to His throne. This kind of prayer elevates our faith into the supernatural realm. It makes our prayer more about His purpose and will, and less about our ways. It is a way we demonstrate we truly depend on Him as our source to fill our every need. God is our Creator, and He longs to be involved in every aspect of our lives, and as we yield more and more to His nature in our lives, we can get a deeper understanding of who God is and how much we mean to Him.

But not everybody is ready for this, ready to see and hear and act. Isaiah asked what we all ask at one time or another: "Does anyone care, God? Is anyone listening and believing a word of it?" The point is: Before you trust, you have to listen. But unless Christ's Word is preached, there's nothing to listen to.

Romans 10:16–17 MSG

So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

Romans 10:17 ESV

When we pray the Word of God, we hear His Word, which helps us see, hear, and act. God reveals Himself to us through His Word. Then as we pray His Word, we do not just hear it but also listen and pay attention. As we meditate on His Word, we absorb His revelation like a sponge and align our Spirit with His Spirit, our mind with Christ's mind, and our will with the Father's

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perfect will. This empowers us to take His words and put them into action in our lives.

May the Lord help us bear the things He wants to tell us through the Spirit of Truth. May His Spirit continue to guide us into all the truth as He discloses to us what He hears the Father say (see John 16:12–15).

THE PLAN WITH PURPOSE AND CONSISTENCY

Knowing the names of God is going to take a process as your earthly senses are turned into heavenly senses. Your finite mind needs time to process the deep truths of God's nature with His names and attributes. You will need to be intentional by putting a demand on God's power and mercy.

One thing that the woman of the alabaster jar and the woman with the issue of blood, among others, had in common was their persistence and intentional demand for Jesus' power and mercy. What they did was demand the power and mercy of God, which is the key element to actually experiencing Him in a more meaningful way. Being intentional in putting a demand on God really means that you truly want this, you're going for it with all your strength, heart, and mind, and you are not giving up. It's like when you connect your cellphone to the wall outlet to demand that the electricity come into your device. In the same way, you need to intentionally connect to God's Nature with the help of the Spirit so God can give you eyes to contemplate and understand His nature and beauty. Oh Lord, give us eyes to see your glorious Divine Nature!

Your spirit needs to download and synchronize each revelational truth of who God is and how much you mean to Him. This is going to take intentional time in His Presence. Even when you go through all these names of God, you will realize that it is easy to fall into a state of familiarity or over-comfortability. What has helped me is to intentionally go back and revisit His names one by one and give my mind space to process these truths into my spirit, knowing that God wants this more than anyone. If you seek Him with all our heart, He will let you find Him (see Jeremiah 29:13). Each time you get the revelation of one of God's names and attributes, you will encounter the Almighty I AM, and you will know Him deeper.

God's names are deep and versatile; they will always get deeper and deeper in revelation. Don't ever be afraid to receive more revelation of God's

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nature, no matter how much you might think you know of the Bible. Even if you know the original language of the Bible, you have not arrived yet. There is still so much more to discover about our eternal, Mighty God.

KNOW GOD AS HE KNOWS YOU

Those who take intentional time to know Him deeply are the ones Jesus and heaven know. The day will come when some who think they are Christians will say, “Lord, Lord, in Your Name, *we* performed miracles, prophesied, and did many things for You.” But Jesus will tell them, “I don’t know you. Depart!” In reality, Jesus knows it all, but when He says, “I don’t know you,” He says that they operated under strange fire—unauthorized fire or anointing. These people never took the time to truly get to know the will of God and who He is. They were Marthas and did not choose the best part: to get to know Jesus as Mary did. If you don’t know God, you will have no deep love for Him and He won’t recognize you as an *intimate* worshiper.

This is a very scary thing; thinking of it makes me tremble. We cannot be intimate worshipers of God, let alone revival worshipers, if we operate under strange and unauthorized fire. It is one thing to sing *about* God, and a completely different thing to sing to Him in spirit and truth, genuinely *knowing* the God we are worshiping. This is what I would call worship with true and deep revelation.

When we do this, it takes a whole different meaning, approach, and level of engagement. This creates an automatic connection to the tones of the throne that bring a spirit of freedom to all. We become one with the Spirit of the Lord. The result is a revival in our lives.

This revival comes in levels. Revival starts with you first. The deeper you get to know God’s glorious nature and the more united you are with His Spirit, the higher you will be able to take people to levels of revival. You will become a conduit of His glory and power to bring revival not just to your church, family, and sphere of influence but also to your city, state, country, and every corner of the world.

When you know who God is, you will be able to open a whole world of possibilities no matter how old you are or what country you are from. As you intentionally seek to know who God is, you will open your mind to a paradigm

shift. Your life will no longer be about just you. It will shift to be completely about Him and what matters most to Him.

This will turn you into a true revival worshiper of the King. It will create a bonding, synchronizing, and alignment where you realize life is more than you thought it was. It is no longer about you or me but all about Him. Everything started with our Creator, and this earthly life will end with Him.

The enemy does not want us to know more about who God is because we would have a paradigm shift and be revived. But as you internalize these names of God to see who He is, you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free to be who God called you to be. Jesus is the only truth; therefore, we need to know more about the Truth—Him.