

# Last Words and Prayer

Dear brothers and sisters, I trust that now that you have read the preceding five chapters, considered carefully the root sins, spirits, and attitudes of Babylon (false religion) such as fear, pride, rebellion, selfishness in all its forms (such as ambition, self-exaltation, and desire for preeminence), unbelief and misbelief (that includes all kinds of error and false doctrine), idolatry, other sins, works of the flesh, and energizing spirits that follow (such as lusts of all kinds — sexual, material, mental, and aspirational), it is important that we realize that even though we may have renounced all of this, that we will still be tempted by these destructive sins and spirits even though we come out of Babylon, as far as our understanding and the Holy Spirit enables us to go. We will always be subject to these things as long as we are in the flesh, and so we must now pray and ever be vigilant to renounce all the works of the flesh, resist every evil spirit, and every sin that so easily might beset us, and to cast out every evil spirit that might have a hold upon us whether in our spirits, our souls, or our bodies!

Also, understanding that iniquities can be passed down upon us from our forefathers (Rom. 5:12-21; Ex. 20:5-6; 34:6-7; Lev. 26:39-43; Jer. 32:17-18; Lam. 5:7; Dan. 9:1-24; Zec. 3:9), but can be forgiven and released from us through confession, repentance, and the blood of the New Covenant (Jer. 31:29-34; Heb. 8:6-13; 10:9-23), it behooves us to pray diligently with understanding concerning our own iniquities, transgressions, and sins, and those of our forefathers. The iniquities, the iniquitous traits, and the curses that have been brought upon us from our ancestors are very real, and we need to be set free!

The psalmist prayed, **“Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts: And see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting”** (Psa. 139: 23-24 KJV). Concerning the heart, the Lord said, **“The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it? I the LORD search the heart, I try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings”** (Jer 17:9-10 KJV); but praise God He preceded this by saying, **“Blessed is the man that trusteth in the LORD, and whose hope the LORD is. For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, and that spreadeth out her roots by the river, and shall not see when heat cometh, but her leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit”** (Jer. 17:7-8 KJV).

Therefore let us pray and ask the Lord to search our hearts and reveal any sin which we must confess and forsake, and any iniquity that has been brought down to us from our forefathers, and any spirit that may be troubling us which must be cast out and away from us. (And then later we can ask the Lord to help us in prayer for others concerning these same things, but first let us pray for ourselves and the beam that might be in our own eye.)

*“Dear God, please search my heart, and reveal any and every sin within me, and forgive me and cleanse me by the precious blood of Your son Jesus! And Heavenly Father, I confess that neither I nor my ancestors have walked in your ways as we should, we have transgressed thy holy law, and therefore thy righteous judgment has come upon us. Forgive me I pray, and also my living relatives; my God, reveal our iniquities, have mercy upon us, and break the bonds of sin and iniquity. As I wait upon You, please reveal by Your Holy Spirit any and every foul, unclean spirit that is within me, that I might cast it out in Your holy name, so that I might walk holy and obediently, without fear or failure all the rest of my days, in Your sight and for Your praise and glory and honor. Amen!*

*“Thank You, Father, and fill me with Your Holy Spirit, and anoint my eyes to see these realities, and empower me to live as Jesus lived, and be holy as You are holy, and to speak Your words with all boldness while You stretch forth Your hands to heal me and then others, that mighty signs and wonders might be wrought through the name of Thy holy servant Jesus, so that Thy will is done in earth as it is in heaven! Amen, and Amen!” AMEN!!!*

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