



Basic Lesson 8

Authority in Biblical Meditation

Authority in Prayer through Meditation on the Word of God
Jeremiah 1:4-12

Basic Principle: It is God's Word in the prophet's mouth that has influence over nations and kingdoms.

We are not talking about the **office** of a prophet as Jeremiah, but the power of God's Words in the mouth of an intercessor, who with humility waits before God, meditating on the Word seeking Him for specific Words for a specific prayer time.

An intercessory curriculum is found in Jeremiah chapter one:

- to root out;
- to pull down, destroy, throw down,
- and to build and to plant.

Context: Jeremiah 1:9

"Then the LORD put forth His hand and touched my mouth, and the LORD said to me: 'Behold, I have put My Words in *Your* mouth...'"

Basic Principle: This is a place of delegated authority in prayer.

v10 "See, I have this day set you over the nations and over the kingdoms,
(as an intercessor who speaks My Words in prayer)

- **to root out** (is to confess sin individually and/or corporately for a nation asking for mercy, restoration, (Ezra 9:6, Nehemiah 9:3, Daniel 9:4-11)
- **to pull down, to destroy, to throw down,**
God's Words as spiritual weapons destroy the works of the enemy. These three actions are similar to 2 Corinthians 10:4, pulling down strongholds, casting down every thing that withstands (stands against) the knowledge of God.
- **to build...** is to lay the foundations, **to frame** using the Word in the spiritual realm through prayer. (to use God's word to **frame** in the heavenlies, (Isaiah 51:16)
- **and to plant.** This is to use God's Word as seed to plant the heavenly realms, (Isa. 51:16)

To plant is to seed with the Word, to use the Word as the basis for prayer.

Matthew 13:23 says the Word produces some a 100 fold, some 60 (fold), some 30 (fold). There is an innumerable return from the seed/Word.

Seeding and **framing** are just two different expressions of **praying the Word**.

Frame means to thoroughly **set in place** with prayer before the answer is seen. Just as a framer (carpenter) frames a house, so we **frame in prayer** using the specific Words God gives. An example of framing is to use Ephesians chapter 2, going phrase by phrase, establishing each part in prayer to see spiritual growth in the life of a new believer.

Hebrews 11:3

“By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the Word of God.

(**Word** here is rhema, that specific spoken Word for a specific situation. Eph. 6:17b)

so that things which are seen were not made of things that are visible.” Words, prayers are not visible, but they produce visible results.

Basics: The intercessor, representing the Church, is set over nations, kingdoms to represent God, to speak His Word and exercise rule with Him as directed in the place of prayer.

For our purposes, **kingdoms are areas of influence** where the world system has infiltrated and removed influences of God, and established their own **influence**. These areas can be called kingdoms, influenced by principalities they have unique behavior, vocabulary, dress, a moral code, and their own ‘kings’, leaders. **They are worlds within worlds, corrupted areas of influence that can be seen in media, judicial system, sports, politics, etc.**

Response: Jeremiah 1:6

“Oh, Lord GOD! I cannot speak, for I am a youth.”

Do not disqualify yourself. It is not about you, but about God. God spoke through Samuel when he was a child. (1 Samuel 3:18) **It is about obedience.**

Response:

v7 “Go to all I send you and whatever I command you shall speak.”

To an intercessor, this means pray where God directs in prayer, for America, Israel, the Supreme Court, etc. and pray out the words God gives you in meditation with prayer. (**Go** can simply mean direct your prayers there.)

v8 “Do not be afraid...for I am with you to deliver you.”

To pray with delegated authority demands humility and obedience, clean hands and a pure heart. (Psalm 24:4)

Basic Principle: God will confirm His Word.

v11 God asks Jeremiah, “What do you see?” and he said, ‘I see a branch of an almond tree.’”

v12 The LORD says: “You have seen well....”

You will see **confirmation** for the prayers through the various sharings. In a prayer group, the sharing time is when you see the Holy Spirit moving, adding piece by piece to clarify the prayer target and to emphasize certain points for prayer.

Application: Meditate and pray through these Scriptures in Jeremiah. Receive, respond, pray.