

PRAYING OUT LOUD

Praying out loud can be uncomfortable, usually for one or more of the following reasons:

- ▶ It's out loud people will hear me and I don't like the sound of my voice
- ► I don't know what to say I'll look stupid, people will judge me
- ▶ There are other better prayers around me, let them do it.
- ▶ Isn't praying in my mind good enough? Who do you think you are, asking me to pray out loud?
- ► Does it do any good? Does it even change anything?

You need to know that there is an enemy that is trying to keep you from praying out loud.

The reality is that the Kingdom is voice activated:

Gen 1:3 - And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light.

Job 6:25 - How forceful are upright words!

James 5:16 - The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working

The one of the most misunderstood realties is that the the sword of the spirit in Eph 6 is the Rhema of God. The greek word Rhema is verbal, **Rhema** ($\dot{\rho}\tilde{\eta}\mu\alpha$ in Greek) literally **means** an "utterance" or "thing said" in Greek. It is a word that signifies the action of utterance

Luke 11:2 - "And he said to them, "When you pray, **say**: "Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation.""

AGREEMENT- In concert with others, praying aloud can bring agreement to the community Matt 18:19 - "Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven."

ACTIVATIONS:

Take a Risk knowing that you will please God by your step of faith

Hebrews 11:6 - And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him.

Start simple - praise God, thank Him, start with a simple request

