

A Call to Intercession - September 20, 2026

Carla Diggs This week, the Lord, he showed me that this was going to happen tonight. He spoke the words to me a Thursday on a Sunday. That might not make sense to all of you, but Thursday nights are our intercessory prayer nights and this is what our intercessory prayer times look like. It looks like people coming to the altar and being set free. And he's been speaking to me all week in a way that he has confirmed over and over and over again. That the path that I was studying for the last two weeks tonight, to preach on the lies of the enemy and to expose the lies and to teach people that they live sometimes from a stronghold that the enemy has placed in their mind. And he had me studying Genesis chapter three, and I will be honest with you, I wrote twenty two pages of notes. It's actually pretty normal. Usually I carry them up and get through about ten of it. But it's just some amazing things happen this week. And as I was preparing for that word and simultaneously studying Ephesians chapter one and actually praying Ephesians chapter one, because Ephesians chapter one is a prayer. As I'm praying that and preparing for tonight, the Lord just began to do some just miraculous and amazing things. And even though in this moment, I can't explain every single thing. Just know I through all twenty two pages away. And he said that this night was going to be this and that. He just wanted me to go through Ephesians chapter one. It's what I had been praying. It's what I had been studying. So Saturday morning I woke up with this passage on my heart and I said, Lord, if this is what you want me to share with the people on Sunday. I want you to confirm it. And I went to breakfast with my husband and he said. So I was teaching Ephesians chapter one to the football boys. I said, okay, Ephesians chapter one. He's studying the same thing. And later he told me the Lord wouldn't let me go to Ephesians chapter two or Ephesians chapter three. I had to listen to Ephesians chapter one in the car. I had to just read it. I had to just study it. And there was confirmation after confirmation. And that morning after breakfast, I walked into Walmart, one of the darkest places you can go, just about. You know, you need the Holy Spirit. Well, target can be kind of scary. As soon as I crossed the threshold of Walmart, I heard it's go time. And I left there and I came to this building and I studied for about four hours. There's mostly wet spots, probably all over this rug. Sitting on the platform, laying on the platform, walking this sanctuary and speaking these words into the atmosphere to declare and decree that what the Lord has planned will prevail, and that there would not be a battle from the enemy or any spiritual warfare against what was going to happen tonight. And I sat on the end of this platform and I began to call out your name. And Debbie, just about the time I was calling out your name, you texted me. Philippians verse that said something around at every remembrance of you. I'm thankful for you. But you didn't know I was praying thanksgiving for you. Right here I was, sitting right here. And it's one of the verses in this, this chapter. And so what we're going to do is we're really just going to read the Word of God in church. Doesn't that sound like an incredible idea? We're going to read the word, and there's a few starts and stops that we have here and there in, in, in this. And, and let me tell you, I don't, I don't bring this Bible out very often. The Lord said, I want you to just read from this. This is this is my this is my spiritual warfare book. You'll find prayer requests. You'll find my children's name. Find my husband's name. The names of those that I want saved. And the Lord said, this is the weapon that you will bring. And this is what you will read from. Won't just be some printed piece of paper with the Scripture on it. I want you to bring. I want you to bring what you really do your

warfare with. So here it is with all of its markings. You know, if I can read all the words, I hope got so many underlines and circles and. We're just going to do what the Lord said. And then after I read it, guess what? I hope you're not tired of worshiping and praying. Because that's what we're going to do again. And I'm going to get to a point in here where my friend Robbie, he's going to come up and he's going to play. Thank you, Glenn, so much. I know your fingers are probably hurting. I'm so grateful for you. You can take a break. So as we're reading, I am so grateful for Glenn. I'm so grateful for this whole team. Thank you Jesus. They put up with me. That's the biggest thing. You know, let's just read godly Ephesians chapter one, beginning in verse three. Oh, I was saying that Robbie played a song. I remembered now I got off track. Robbie played a song Thursday night that went right along the lines of a verse that I'm going to read in a few minutes, and he, I asked him to come and sing that song and play that song. That will be our introduction to our back into prayer. So as we're doing this, I just want you thinking about who are the people that you want to pray for? Who? Who are the people in your life that are lost or need healing, restoration, or redemption? What are the things in your life as. I'm reading this, because that's what we're interceding for tonight. Praise be. To the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love he predestined us for adoption to sonship through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will. I want you to notice something. There is blessing and victory in the heavenly realm. Yeah. That you have been predestined to. This is not a predestined. Where God created an image of himself in a being Ying and said, now I determine that that being will go to hell. I do not believe in that type of predestination. In fact, I believe that God created every being to go to heaven and to live with him eternally, and they just haven't woken up to the knowledge that they came from Jesus and from our father. Just because he knows what we will choose to do does not mean that he made the choice for us. Are you understanding? So you have been predestined for adoption to sonship. Verse six to the praise of his glorious grace which he has freely given us in the one he loves. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace that he lavished upon us. With all wisdom and understanding he made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ. That mystery is known to you, because he has given us something called the Holy Spirit. In John chapter sixteen. It says that the spirit will lead you and guide you into all truth. And what is that truth do? It reveals the mystery of who he is. And if someone says to you that there is no more new revelation, I say to you, have they fully come to completion and perfection of Christ right before they have gone home to see Jesus with their eyes? If not, the answer is you don't know everything. And there is new revelation. For this word says in Hebrews chapter four, verse twelve that this is a double edged sword, and it is alive and it is active, and it is used for dividing between the things that need to be divided out. This is a weapon. It is a weapon of truth. And if you know all the truth, that means that you are like God and then you don't need him. That's right. That is not true. That's it. There is always new revelation in him because there's always a new situation. There's always a new circumstance. There's always something new that you're going to face. And the Lord says, until you walk through that, you will not know who I am. Until you've gone through that fire and seen me burn those ropes off of you before you come out of that fire without smelling like smoke. Yes, indeed, there is new revelation.

Now, the only thing that is the same is the devil's tricks. He has nothing new under the sun. He's going to pull out the same old stinky, overplaying hand devil stuff that he's got. We just have to have the spirit of wisdom and understanding, which we're going to get to in just a minute to identify. That's a lie. And this is truth. As he's hit this word. He's just so good. Verse ten. To be put into full effect when the times reach their fulfillment. To bring unity to all things in heaven and on earth under Christ. Did you see that? Unity. Yeah. He wants unity in revelation chapter twenty two. It says that the spirit and the bride say, come. That is the spirit and the bride in unity, singing the same song. He is going to bring us to unity. The spirit is Jesus. It's all of heaven and the earth is the bride. It's the church. And when it comes together, it unites and it sings a song. Come. But look at the rest of the verse. I did type this one out. Revelation twenty two it says, and let the one. Sorry, Garrett, you don't have this. And let the one who hears say, come. Let the one who is thirsty come. And let the one who wishes to take the free gift of living water.

Speaker 6 There it is.

Carla Diggs We are here to use this as a weapon to knock down and to divide out the lies and the truth of the enemy, so that we can speak the truth out of our mouth. And we can say in unity to those who are lost, he says, come. Yeah, he says, come and get some of that living water that will transform you from the inside out. Glory to God. In him we were also chosen, having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will. In order that we who were the first to put our hope in Christ, might be for the. Might be for the praise of his glory. And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, who is the deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession to the praise of his glory. You are marked.

Speaker 6 Yes.

Carla Diggs Mark. You are marked.

Speaker 7 With the seal.

Carla Diggs Of the Holy Spirit. That means that all of heaven sees you with your mark and your seal. It also means that all of the enemy sees you with your mark and your seal. But guess what? You have authority, and you have power over those enemies and over that darkness. Because what did he tell us in verse three? That he blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing that is victory over the enemy. You have authority. You have authority. You have power. You have dominion over the devil. We just have to exercise that authority. We do that by renewing our mind in the word and knowing the truth, hiding the word in our heart that we might not sin against him. As it says in Psalm one nineteen. Hiding the word in our heart. So when the lies come. We can rebuke the lie with the truth. But guess what? We got Christians walking around that don't know their word. They don't know they're carrying the physical sword. And they can't wield the sword because they don't know the word. And there is false teachings running rampant like I have never seen before, that are lies. And if

the church. We are at a critical. Our church. I know I keep saying that phrase, but if we don't begin to rise up and the voice of the remnant begin to rise up and say that this is the truth, the false teachings will begin to take root. It will create a stronghold in the mind, and then the people will live from and see their reality from the stronghold that the enemy has allowed. Church. Are you awake? Are you awake? It's time for you to speak the truth and to use your voice against the lies of the enemy. You are marked. You are sealed. Verse fifteen. Cindy, this is that Thanksgiving thing you prayed the other night. This was another confirmation on Thursday to me when you began praying a prayer of thanksgiving. I was like. For this reason, Debbie, are you listening for this reason? Ever since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and your love for all God's people, I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers. Debbie. You remember what you texted me? It was from Philippians, but it was still Paul.

Speaker 6 Yeah.

Carla Diggs I sat here and I thanked God for you. I'm so thankful for you. Mark two twenty two.

Speaker 6 Yes.

Carla Diggs It has nothing to do with the count of the people in the seat, right? It has to do with the heart that's inside, the person that's in the seat. And your heart is surrendered, and your heart is ready to receive the truth of His Word. No matter how uncomfortable you may be. There are some of you who have been here since January, and you certainly sat in those uncomfortable pews for all those months. And let me tell you, you pass the test because we put those pews out and we just kept telling you some new ones were coming, and we just were waiting to see if you weren't going to come back. But you sure kept coming back. And you know what? In the beginning, we even broke those toilets in the back. We said, surely they're going to leave this building and they're going to go down the street to the gas station. They're not going to come back. And you came back.

Speaker 6 That's right.

Carla Diggs Because you are a people who are softened to the Lord. And you said, now is the time. Now is the time for me to rise up to show the seal in the mark of the Holy Spirit to this world. I want to get in the river. I want to swim in the river. I want to be on the head of the river. I want to be in the river. River? Yes, Lord. We want to be in the river, Lord. I'm so thankful for you. I keep asking that the Lord God of our Lord, the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious father, may give you the spirit of wisdom and revelation so that you may know him better. Epignosis is know that means to come to the full recognition in your heart that you know that you know that Jesus loves you, and that you live from the place that Jesus loves you, and not from the lie and the stronghold that is in your mind. Wield that sword against the lie. So it says, Robbie, you can get ready. It says, the glorious father may give you the spirit of wisdom and revelation. I'm just going to take a minute. In Isaiah chapter eleven, it says, this is what got us in trouble. I won't say anymore because it's being recorded.

Speaker 6 You have no idea what.

Carla Diggs Isaiah chapter eleven tells us about the seven spirits of God. Okay, listen, I'm not saying there's not just not a father, son, and Holy Spirit. What I'm saying is that the Holy Spirit functions with the as the seven spirits of God. There are seven spirits. It's the spirit of understanding, a spirit of counsel, a spirit of might, a spirit of revelation, a spirit of the fear of the Lord, a spirit of the Lord. That is the lampstand. Okay. It is represented by the lampstand. And when the lampstand is filled with oil. All of the wicks on the lampstand are burning. And that means you're walking around this world with a mark and a seal, and you're walking around with the spirit of the Lord. You're walking around with the spirit of the fear of the Lord. You're walking around with the spirit of might. You're walking around with the spirit of wisdom, the spirit of revelation, and all of these things so that your eyes. I think we haven't gotten to that part yet, but he sang a song about oil and he's going to sing it in just a minute. It says, I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people and his incomparable great power for us who believe. I pray tonight that the eyes of your heart are enlightened, that you can see through the foolishness of the devil. He's a fool and he's under our feet, and he is behind us. And you have power and you have authority to say, hey, dirty, rotten devil, we don't fall for your tricks anymore. Because I am marked and I am sealed and all my wicks are burning. Everything that the Lord has for me is on fire in my life. And I will not fall for your tricks any longer. Jesus, Jesus. Jesus. Jesus. Jesus. Jesus. Jesus. Jesus. Only Jesus is alive. Only Jesus is alive. Krishna is dead. Muhammad he is dead. Buddha he is dead. Hinduism he is dead. The Kundalini spirit. You can have some. Jesus. We say get out of here in the name of Jesus. Because what does it say in verse twenty? The power is the same as the mighty strength that he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at the right hand in the heavenly realms, far above all rule, and all authority and power and dominion, and every name, every name, every name, every name. We sang about his name. We sang about his name and every name that is invoked not only in the present age, but also in the one to come. And God placed everything, all things, all things, all things under his feet, and appointed him to be the head over everything of the church. That means that when we are the body and we are aligned and he is the head, we are going where the head says that we are going and we are going to greater glory, to deeper glory, to deeper waters. We are going deep with Jesus and high in the heavenly realm, where he says that we have the victory upon victory, upon victory. There is nothing. There is nothing. There is nothing that will fool. Mark two twenty two.

Speaker 6 Amen.

Carla Diggs Because we are surrendered.

Speaker 6 Yeah.

Carla Diggs We are sealed. We are marked. We are burning. And we will walk in the authority that he has given us. And he placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything of the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way. Do you need to be filled tonight?

Speaker 6 Yeah. Amen.

Carla Diggs He said he didn't say partial.

Speaker 6 Right?

Carla Diggs He didn't say almost. He didn't say. This is just enough. He said, the fullness and the completeness you have in him, and this body is aligned with the head of heaven, and everything is under his feet in Jesus name. All we have to do is step into authority and claim. Get behind me, Satan, and listen. You may have to repeat it.

Speaker 6 Yes.

Carla Diggs Even Jesus in the wilderness. He had to say it three times. If Jesus had to say and use the word three times, do you think you may have to say it more than once to not fall for his schemes, to not sin against him? You may have to say it, but you say it again and you stand on that word of authority. Because it is a sword. It is double edged. Let me tell you something. I learned about that double edge. I promise you, we're going to get to that intercession. It is the year of the sword. It is. And I think today is Yom Kippur. Anybody know it? It's the day of repentance. Lord Jesus, how you align the sword. The double edged sword means double mouthed. And that doesn't mean that God speaks out of one side and he speaks out another. No, it means he speaks from one side, and you're speaking in alignment with His Word. And when you speak his word, that sword goes into the enemy. It goes into the lie and it divides it out and says, this does not belong. Yes. What a god, what a god, what a god, what a god, what a god, what a god, what a god, what a god, what a god. So we're going to take this time. I don't care if you lay in the rug. I don't care if you sit in the seat. I don't care if you kneel on the floor. I don't care, care if you stand, I stand and walk. Ali told me one time, she said, I came to intercessory prayer and you were Kevin were walking around all over the place and she said, the Lord told me shepherds walk around their flock. I said, Lord, thank you for causing me to walk and pray because I want to be a shepherd. I want to be a shepherd like him. I don't want to be anything less.

Speaker 6 Yes.

Carla Diggs I know I'm not perfect. That's right. I never will be. But I'll keep striving and I'll keep loving you. I'll keep praying for you. God. Y'all just don't know. And it's okay. Hell of heaven knows.

Speaker 6 Yeah.

Carla Diggs But right now, we're. Think of a person that's lost. Think of a person that needs healing. Think of a person in your life that just needs to know the truth. In a way that will encapsulate their heart and turn to the Lord. And I don't know. Look, I don't know what time it is. I have no idea. I know we got school tomorrow. We got work. We got all these things. Pray, please. But if you stay five minutes. Pray, please. I don't know how this ends, I don't know. But the Lord said it's a call to intercession and he wants us to intercede. This is what heaven is. So if you're bored. If you're bored, I pray that tonight you get ready because this is just the warm

up.

Speaker 6 Yes.

Carla Diggs You won't be bored for all eternity if you ain't. See, I'll start making you laugh. We gotta pray. Robby is going to play this song. It's called give me oil. We need oil in our lamps. Some might say, oh, that church is too much. We can't be going to church like that. The last I checked, the ones that had. Not enough oil. I want our oil to be so full it's overflowing that this place can become a slip and slide.

Speaker 6 Yes.

Carla Diggs So if we're too much. Hallelujah. I will be too much. Because I have too much. I got too much oil. It's overflowing. Come on, Robby, take us in.