

MINISTRY MODEL PAPER

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**5/25/23 – Alliance Student: Approximately 1:35pm-2:04pm**

I was having a normal weekly meeting with one of my students at Alliance University. I will call the student Susie because they are an Alliance University student and I would like to keep their situation confidential.

Susie and I started our meeting normally and I was checking in with their summer class progress. Unfortunately, Susie was failing. I began to hold her accountable for her grades, but then I realized that her disposition changed completely. I thought that she just felt bad because of her grades, but when I asked what was going on, she opened up about the childhood trauma she went through. Susie's father used to abuse her when she brought home bad grades since the 5th grade. She went through therapy and counseling for this since middle school, but it only helped her a little. It didn't resolve the issue.

This is where I asked Susie if she would like to pray and she said yes. I was shaky with the Prayer Model format, so I informed her that I would be using this format and may have to refer to my notes. When I asked her what she wanted Jesus to do, she asked for healing from her past. My first diagnosis was that this was an emotional battle and I was hoping God will heal her pain. When I invited the Holy Spirit in and began to bless her, it wasn't too long after this that I sensed in my spirit that this was spiritual. I felt the Holy Spirit tug me to ask her if she had forgiven her father. So I asked and her answer was no. I gently encouraged her as to why she should forgive, but she still did not make the choice to forgive. This saddened me because I know she would be free if she just forgave him. Since she wouldn't forgive, I prayed and asked God to give her the strength to forgive and to free her of her pain.

All-in-all, I felt that this was a good start and in order to move forward with this Prayer Model, I must commit it to memory so I can be more comfortable with it the next time.

**5/29/23 – Jade & Justice Remar: Approximately 9:15pm-9:25pm**

I had the opportunity to pray for two of my family members at a cookout. I told them about the prayer model; which I felt was a mistake because it made me feel awkward and uncomfortable. But they didn't mind it at all and allowed me to pray for them. I prayed for my cousin Jade first. I asked her what she wanted Jesus to do and she said to help her find a new apartment. I didn't feel this needed any tentative diagnosis, so I began to pray by blessing her first. I forgot to invite the Holy Spirit in, but I didn't realize this until after I was done praying. But when I did bring the situation to the Lord, I heard a certain town, but she said no, that's not where she wants to live, so I guess that was just me. I didn't feel strongly like that was the Lord, so I didn't press it. At the end of the prayer, she said she felt like the Lord was telling her to stay steadfast; which reaffirmed what she believes God has already been saying to her. I was reminded after praying for her that the goal of this prayer model is for the person to feel the love of the Father and I believe she felt that.

When I prayed for my other cousin, Justice, this was a totally different experience. He said he wanted Jesus to give him discernment and he wanted to surrender everything over to Him. I waited a bit before I began praying to see if there was any diagnosis that came to my heart, but I didn't get anything. So I invited the Holy Spirit in and suddenly my cousin said amen. I told him I hadn't prayed yet, but he said inviting the Holy Spirit in was enough. He said he didn't want me to finish the prayer. I felt very awkward after that and slightly embarrassed. I felt like I did something wrong. I do believe my cousin's response was off – meaning that it wasn't normal and it may have been a mental issue, maybe even demonic. But honestly, I'm not sure. I just felt that something was off. I couldn't force him to allow me to finish praying, so we concluded and that was that.

**5/30/23 – Alliance Staff: Approximately 11:08am–11:28am**

This time around I felt a lot more comfortable with the prayer model. This time I didn't face any "technical" problems. It went very smoothly. The weight of the prayer request was very weighty. Let's call him John. John wanted healing in his marriage from the hurt he caused his wife. He also wanted to be set free from feeling the need to belong. As I invited the Holy Spirit in, I felt led to put my hand on his shoulder. When I did this I started to see tentacles reaching out to him and I began rebuking it. I didn't want to share that image with him at first because I wasn't sure if that was a God vision. But afterwards I shared it with him and he said he had a vision of an octopus and of God's flaming sword from the Garden of Eden cutting off the head and tentacles of this creature. After the prayer he said he had a sense of peace and comfort. We spoke briefly after the prayer and I felt a great connection between him and I, and he was grateful that we prayed together.

**5/30/23 – Alliance Staff: Approximately 11:36am-11:58am**

I really felt a strong connection during this prayer time with, let's call him Albert. During the time of him explaining his prayer request I felt the word repentance come in my heart. I shared this with him and asked him if this word resonated with him at all. He said yes and no. As I invited the Holy Spirit in, and began to bless him, he became very calm. And as I brought these issues to the Lord I prayed for whatever came to my heart at the time. I don't remember everything, but when I was done something significant happened. He felt the need to repent! This was the word I got in the tentative diagnosis! He wanted to repent before the Lord with me present in the room. So he began to pray a prayer of repentance to the Lord and as he was doing this, I felt the need to share two things with him. One of those things was the core definition of repentance; which is a change of mind. When I shared that with him in detail, his eyes widened

and he felt a sense of relief and understanding. That was a breakthrough he needed. On top of completely turning away from these things, I believe God wanted Albert to understand why he should change his way of thinking about this matter, and this really blessed him. We spoke more on the topic and he left feeling very upbeat. I certainly believe he felt the love of the Father and it was encouraging for me as well.

The interactions I had with people using this prayer model was very insightful. I plan to continue in this way as I'm led or feel it necessary to use. Inviting the Holy Spirit in and bringing matters before His Throne is something I want to practice daily and continue to grow in.