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Changing the Destiny of a Nation through United Prayer and Fasting.

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As we are read in the Old Testament, 2 Chronicles, chapter 20, we see how the nation of Israel was attacked by the enemy forces of the surrounding nations, and how the Lord delivered Israel as they turned to the Him in united prayer.

In the same book, chapter 7:14, the Lord gave a promise to His people, who are called by His name.

"If my people, who are called by My name, shall humble themselves and pray, and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land." (2 Chronicles 7:14)

This was a promise not only to the nation of Israel, but is also a promise for God's people in other nations, today.

We have recently seen it come to pass in the nation of Honduras, where entire, free elections took place in a peaceful manner, after one of the greatest political crises which the nation has faced in current times.

Earlier this year during the month of May, the Lord started to speak to me about praying for and visiting Central America. I then told my coordinator from the Honduran region, what I was feeling in my spirit.

A few months later, the ousting of the then sitting president of Honduras took place, and financial and political isolation occured to the second poorest nation after Haiti.

As I was in prayer, the Lord gave me a vision of a war and an invasion of Honduras. It shocked me to the core, when I saw, as if in a movie, all atrocities of war thrown onto the country.

God then told me that the invasion could be stopped if His people in that nation prayed and fasted for 3 weeks.

Later during the month of October, when everything, seemingly. remained uncertain, I, obeying the direction from God, boarded a practically empty airplane, and flew to Tegucigalpa, Honduras in order to have a series of meetings with God's people. This was after we had fasted and prayed.

You can see highlights from some of the meetings on <u>YouTube</u>. But remember, this is a different culture to which most U.S. or European people are not accustomed, and may not understand.

The Word given by the Spirit to that nation of Honduras was 2 Chronicles 7:14, and I believe these to be divine principles that would work in other nations as well.

God says for the His people to do four things:

1. God's people have to humble themselves and assume responsibility for the state of the nation. It is not the fault of the sinners that there is no move of the Spirit, neither is it the fault of God. It is however the fault of the back-slidden Church that moves in religion instead of the Kingdom of God. But God gives grace to the humble (2 Peter 5:5,6).

2. God's people have to pray! Not just powerless, religious prayers on Sunday morning, but united prayer like what is read in Act 1:14 and Matthew 18:18-19.

3. God's people have to seek God's face and presence. That means to worship and adore Him, since He inhabits the praises of His people (Psalms 22:3). There is no revival without His presence.

4. God's people have to repent and turn from their wicked ways of doubt and unbelief, prayerlessness, selfishness, and disobedience to the Word of God.

Then the Lord says that He will do three things:

1. God says that He will hear from heaven! Jeremiah 33:3: "Call unto me and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things that thou knowest not."

2. God says that He will forgive our sin. Forgiveness! 1 Peter 2:24: "Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree (cross)." Notice how it comes after repentance.

3. God says that he will heal the land! An awakening and transformation of the spirit and the mindset of the land will come after that God's people get right with Him, and then His glorious presence will heal the land.

If you feel called to do what the Word of God tells us to do in order to bring healing to your nation, let us know and we will pray with you and the Lord will answer according to his Word.

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