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## THEME SCRIPTURE

## **Romans 8:26 NIV**

In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans.



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## **INTRODUCTION**

#### MONTH OF INTERCESSION BY REV. CHRIS OYAKHILOME DSC. DSC. DD.

Loveworld Children's Ministry and Schools, Word of the Month Speciality Curriculum is designed to teach the children in depth the message for the Month by our dear Man of God, Rev Chris Oyakhilome DSc, DSc, DD.

In this edition, there are 3 parts of the lesson plan which will help our Elementary kids learn God's Word. The topics include "Understanding The Word of The Month", "What Is Intercession?", "Benefits of Praying for Others". Each lesson includes a memory verse, Bible story, affirmations and Discussion Questions.

Week 2 lesson is titled "Understanding The Word of the Month". The children will learn that April is the month of Intercession. Glory to God!

Week 3 is titled "What is Intercession?". The children will learn that intercession is a showing compassion for others, where we lift up the needs of others before God. The lesson will focus on what it entails to pray for others. Hallelujah!

Week 4 lesson is titled "The Benefits of Praying For Others" The children will learn that there are benefits they get when they forget about themselves and pray for others. Glory to God!

#### Teachers, You Are Heroes!

Thank you for your service in Loveworld Children's Ministry and Schools. We pray that as you teach every lesson, the children would receive the Word of God with faith and understanding and grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, in Jesus' Name. Amen! Loveworld Children's Ministry and Schools

## LESSON OVERVIEW



#### Topic: Understanding The Word Of The Month

OBJECTIVE: The children will learn about the word of the month.

scripture reference Revelation 1:6; 1 Timothy 2:1-3

BIBLE STORY Genesis 20:17-18; 21:1

memory verse: Ephesians 6:18 NIV

WEEK

#### Topic: What is Intercession?

WEEK

The children will learn the meaning of intercession and what it entails.

scripture reference Luke 10:39-41; Hebrews 7:25 Bible story 1 Timothy 2:1-2 Memory verse: Romans 8:26

#### Topic: Benefits of Praying for others

OBJECTIVE: The children will be taught how to pray for others and the gains in it.

#### SCRIPTURE REFERENCE

Genesis 20:17-18, 21:1 BIBLE STORY

Job 42:7-11 NIV memory verse:

Genesis 20:17 NIV







#### **LESSON FOCUS**

The children will learn about the plan of God for us for this month. They will learn that the Holy Spirit intercedes for us!

## WEEK 2

## UNDERSTANDING THE WORD OF THE MONTH

### **Bible Story:**

Teacher/Parents, please read Genesis 20:17-18; 21:1 NIV aloud to the kids.

Genesis 20:17-18

Then Abraham prayed to God, and God healed Abimelek, his wife and his female slaves so they could have children again, 18 for the Lord had kept all the women in Abimelek's household from conceiving because of Abraham's wife Sarah.

#### 21:1 NIV

Now the Lord was gracious to Sarah as he had said, and the Lord did for Sarah what he had promised.



Our Man of God declares this month as the month of Intercession. Wow, welcome to the month of Intercession! First, let's learn the meaning of Intercession.

In intercession, you take hold together with God; you side with Him in bringing His will to pass on behalf of someone else. That means you must know His will and purpose concerning a person, a country, a situation, or whatever you're praying about, to be able to pray accurately.

Some Christians have cultivated the erroneous belief that the ministry of intercession is for certain Christians or for only those in the church's prayer group, but that's not true. We all have an obligation of intercession (Ephesians 6:18).

Our Man of God mentioned that the Holy ghost makes intercession for the saints. Whatever you are praying for will be answered because you are praying by the Holy Ghost.

This is not referring to speaking in tongues. They are sighs and groaning too deep for words. Like you are crying, and you don't know why. Words are not coming out of your mouth. You are just sobbing. The Holy Ghost makes intercession for the saints. When you pray like that you just know everything is going to work out for your good. Hallelujah!



#### Ephesians 6:18 NIV

"And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people."

#### Act:

Paul in his epistles, admonished believers to pray for his missionary work: "Withal praying also for us, that God would open unto us a door of utterance, to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am also in bonds" (Colossians 4:3). This lets us know that we also must pray that the Holy Spirit will grant the saints all over the world utterance and opportunities to preach the gospel where they are.

## WORD AFFIRMATION

I'm an intercessor, one to stand in the gap for God's children all over the world!

## WEEK WHAT IS INTERCESSION?

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### **LESSON FOCUS**

The children will learn the meaning of intercession and what it entails.

## WEEK 3

## WHAT IS INTERCESSION?

### **Bible Story:**

Teacher/Parents, please read 1 Timothy 2:1-2 NIV aloud to the kids.

I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people— 2 for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.



Our Man of God Pastor Chris defines Intercession as something that involves lifting the needs of others before God in prayer. It is a selfless act of compassion and empathy, demonstrating genuine concern for the well-being of others. According to Romans 8:26-28, the Holy Spirit intercedes for us according to God's will, highlighting the transformation power of prayer in aligning our desires with God's purposes.

To effectively engage in intercessory prayer, individuals, groups, and churches are encouraged to organize prayer chain to get everyone involved.

There are certain rules guiding intercessory prayer which you must take into cognizance. First is, you must know you're not interceding for yourself. The prayer of intercession is always on behalf of someone else. Secondly, you'll have to be persistent about whatever it is you're interceding for. This is because you're trying to prevail on someone else behalf to align with God's will. In the prayer of intercession, you're directing the influence of God's power toward others for their good, and that requires some persistence in prayer. Not only must you be persistent, you must also continue in prayer for as long as it takes for it to work. In the prayer of intercession, you don't stop praying until you get that note of victory in your spirit and are certain that you have what you asked for.



#### Romans 8:26 NIV

In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans.

#### ACT:

1 Timothy 2:1-4 says, "I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour; Who will have all men to besaved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth." Pray for those destined to receive salvation today all around the world, that the light of the glorious Gospel will shine in their hearts, dispelling the darkness, translating them into the liberty of the sons of God, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

## WORD AFFIRMATION

I affirm that I am an intercessor. The Holy Ghost helps me pray for others. Hallelujah!

## BENEFITS OF PRAYING FOR OTHERS



### **LESSON FOCUS**

The children will be taught how to pray for others and the gains in it.

## WEEK 4

## BENEFITS OF PRAYING FOR OTHERS

### **Bible Story:**

#### Teacher/Parents, please read Job 42:7-11 aloud to the kids.

After the Lord had said these things to Job, he said to Eliphaz the Temanite, "I am angry with you and your two friends, because you have not spoken the truth about me, as my servant Job has. 8 So now take seven bulls and seven rams and go to my servant Job and sacrifice a burnt offering for yourselves. My servant Job will pray for you, and I will accept his prayer and not deal with you according to your folly. You have not spoken the truth about me, as my servant Job has." 9 So Eliphaz the Temanite, Bildad the Shuhite and Zophar the Naamathite did what the Lord told them; and the Lord accepted Job's prayer.

After Job had prayed for his friends, the Lord restored his fortunes and gave him twice as much as he had before. 11 All his brothers and sisters and everyone who had known him before came and ate with him in his house. They comforted and consoled him over all the trouble the Lord had brought on him, and each one gave him a piece of silver[a] and a gold ring.



It's our responsibility to change the world through prayer. That's what you have to do. Otherwise, you haven't lived. When you pray, it shouldn't always be about your family or things related to you; it should be for a greater cause. Be moved by the conditions of the sinners and others who are suffering around you. Let the plight of the poor, the sick, and the downtrodden stir compassion in you to intercede for them and cause a change in their lives today. We're to continue in intercession for the nations, leaders, and peoples of the world, especially in these last days.

There is a dimension in God that you should reach as a believer, when you pray more for others than yourself. Intercession prayer is important, and benefits both the Intercessor and the one being interceded for. . When you pray for others, God will tell or show you things He will not share with just any other person. While praying for others, your prayers are answered.

"And the Lord restored Job's losses WHEN HE PRAYED FOR HIS FRIENDS. Indeed the Lord gave Job twice as much as he had before". [Job 42:10 NKJV]

The one being prayed for can be saved from danger that he/she was not even aware of. "And it came to pass, when God destroyed the cities of the plain, that God remembered Abraham, and sent Lot out of the midst of the overthrow, when He overthrew the cities in which Lot had dwelt." [Genesis 19:29 NKJV]. Lot was saved as God destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah, because Abraham interceded. There is power in praying for others. Be an intercessor. Be Blessed!

Memory verse

#### Genesis 20:17 NIV

"Then Abraham prayed to God, and God healed Abimelek, his wife and his female slaves so they could have children again".

#### ACT:

Acts 12:5 NKJV "Peter was therefore kept in prison, but constant prayer was offered to God for him by the church." Pray also for ministers, that they'd be granted more grace to preach the Gospel with boldness and power, that many more souls would be added to the Church all around the world in Jesus name. Amen!

## WORD AFFIRMATION

I'm passionate about the affairs of others, my city, nation and country and I pray for them. Hallelujah!



## **BIBLE QUIZ**



Ask the children the following questions to ensure they understood the lesson. Make session interactive.

- 1. April is the month of \_\_\_\_\_. A) Formation B) Intercession
- 2. What is Intercession? Discuss
- 3. What are the benefits of praying for others? Discuss
- 4. What happened when Job prayed for his friends?
- 5. God wants us to pray for others. True/False
- 6. When you pray for yourself you're interceding.

#### True/False







# Prayer Of Salvation

"Oh Lord God, I come to you in the Name of your Son, Jesus Christ. I believe in my heart that He came into this world and died for my sins and the sins of the whole world. I believe that He was raised up from the dead and He is alive today. I confess with my mouth, that Jesus Christ is Lord of my life. I receive eternal life into my spirit. Therefore I declare that I am saved. I am born again. I now have Christ dwelling in me. Thank you Father. Amen!"



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