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# A PROACTIVE INTERCESSION FOR NIGERIA

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2025: OUR YEAR OF FULFILLED DREAMS GENESIS 41:1, GENESIS 42:9

## Introduction

This special edition calls for proactive intercession for Nigeria, inspired by the State of the Nation Broadcast titled, “The Darkness Before the Dawn,” delivered on November 30, 2025. Proactive prayer positions us to shape events rather than merely react to them.

On December 7, 2022, during the early prayer watch, the Lord led us to pray from Psalm 65:4 and 11. Three years later, we reaffirm His guidance as I present twelve Spirit-inspired prayer points, modelled after Elijah's twelve stones on Mount Carmel.

The first and last prayer point is thanksgiving. Many battle feelings of unworthiness, but gratitude is the posture God has given us to navigate this year with clarity and confidence.

## Thank God for Choosing Us

- **Psalm 65:4** declares, “Blessed is the man whom You choose, and cause to approach You.” What an extraordinary privilege it is that our heavenly Father

not only chooses us but also draws us into His presence.

- **The first privilege** highlighted in Psalm 65:4 is the privilege of divine choice. It is God Himself who has chosen us. Even more profound is the truth that, in His infinite mercy, He chose us **before the foundation of the world**—long before Adam fell and was driven out of the Garden of Eden (**Ephesians 1:4, John 17:24, Genesis 3:23–24**).
- Like a diamond buried in the mud, God Himself reached down, lifted us out of the miry clay, and set our feet upon the Rock so that we may shine for His glory. David understood this double privilege (**2 Samuel 7:18, 1 Chronicles 17:16, Isaiah 43:7, Romans 11:36**). Therefore, thank Him deeply and wholeheartedly for this honour. Thank Him because He chose you. He chose me. And He has caused us to draw near to Him—to approach Him freely and confidently.
- The same God who commanded

light to shine out of darkness has now chosen a people who will stand before Him blameless in holiness (***Ephesians 1:3–4, Colossians 1:22, Philipians 2:15***). Give thanks to God for seeing in you what you did not see in yourself, and what others could never have imagined would be in you.

- **Privilege Two:** Not only does He choose us, but He also causes us to approach Him. Because of this, you must shake off every dust of limitation from your life. From today, let there be no trace of an inferiority complex within you or any form of a superiority complex. Simply be who God has made you to be, in the name of Jesus.
- The Bible tells us in ***Habakkuk 1:13*** that God is of purer eyes than to behold evil and cannot look upon wickedness. This raises a profound question: ***How can sinful humanity stand in the presence of a holy God?*** Thanks be to God for the answer He provided in Christ Jesus. According to ***2 Corinthians 5:21***, He made Him who knew no sin to become sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in

Him. Many stop at this truth, but there is more.

- Not only have we been made righteous before God, but “of Him are we in Christ Jesus,” who has become for us ***wisdom from God, righteousness, sanctification, and redemption***, so that our only glory may be in the Lord (***1 Corinthians 1:26–31***).
- Unless you are rooted and grounded in Christ, your spiritual walk can easily descend into routines, rituals, and self-imposed religion (***Colossians 2:6–23***).
- If you have ever studied the account of Abraham's intercession for Sodom and Gomorrah in ***Genesis 18:16–33***, you will notice something remarkable: Abraham did not know what God was about to do until God chose to reveal it to him.
- Pray, therefore, that the Lord will not hide from you what He is doing. As His son or daughter, and as a spiritual descendant of Abraham, thank Him that just as He revealed His intentions to Abraham, He will also reveal His intentions to you.

- Thank Him that He will show you things before they happen so that you may be rightly positioned for **proactive intercession**. This is why every true prayer, every genuine intercession, and every authentic supplication originates from the heart of the Father. This was at the core of David's conversation with Nathan in **2 Samuel 7**.
- Abraham understood his own limitations and inadequacies. He openly acknowledged before God that he was but dust and ashes, yet he stood in God's presence to intercede for a nation. God Himself caused Abraham to approach Him, and because of that divine privilege, when the Lord overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah, He remembered Lot and his family for Abraham's sake (**Genesis 19:27–29**).
- God remembered the man who stood before Him—the one to whom He revealed His intentions—so that Abraham could intervene, negotiate, and contend for the destiny of people and of a nation.
- Today, through the sacrifice of our Lord Jesus Christ on the cross of Calvary, we have been

granted an even greater privilege. We have found favour in the sight of God and now enjoy unhindered access to the Father at all times (**Ephesians 2:14–18, Galatians 3:26–29**). Therefore, give thanks to God for the access we have through Christ, by the Spirit, to come boldly before Him.

- **Prayer Point Number One: Thank God that He is not weary of our prayers.** He has granted us the Spirit of grace and supplication, enabling us to approach Him with confidence, and He is always willing to hear and answer our prayers (**Zechariah 12:10**). Give Him thanks for this privilege.
- Thank Him for the honour of approaching Him and presenting our petitions. Thank Him for His mercy, and for helping us become articulate in the things of God as He reveals His plans and purposes to us, enabling us to stand in alignment with His mind.
- Thank Him for every genuine prayer we have prayed in this season—prayers that originate from His own heart.
- Stop looking down on yourself

as though you cannot approach God. Adam did not go searching for God after he fell; it was God who came into the garden calling out to Adam (**Genesis 3:9**). This truth is not a license to sin; it is a call to live a holy life. Jesus has already accomplished the work on your behalf, and God sees you through the blood of His Son. Therefore, do not crucify Him again. Humble yourself, and let Him work in you so that He can work through you.

- **Prayer Point Number Two** is drawn from **Genesis 19:29**.  
 Pray:  
 “As the Lord lives, before whom we stand today, America's bombs and missiles will not destroy or devastate our land as they did in Afghanistan, Iraq, and Libya, in the mighty name of Jesus.”
- Declare also:  
 “Whatever agreements the United States may have with the Nigerian government, it is the terrorists and bandits who will be defeated, not any of our innocent citizens, in the mighty name of Jesus.”
- Pray that God will answer our intercession for our brothers and sisters in the North just as

He answered Abraham on behalf of Lot and his family. May all believers, all righteous people, and all who call upon the name of the Lord be spared and preserved in Jesus' mighty name.

- We declare:  
 We are blessed beyond the curse.  
 We are established beyond oppression.  
 We are protected beyond terror.
- **Prayer Point Number Three:**  
 As it goes for an individual, so it goes for a nation. The God who chooses and draws near an individual—as He did with Abraham—can also extend that same grace to an entire nation (**Psalms 33:12**).  
 Many assume **Psalms 33:12** speaks only of Israel. They are not wrong—Israel is God's firstborn, but not His only child (**Exodus 4:22**). Acts 15 affirms that other nations called by His name also belong within His divine purpose.
- Unknown to many—both within and outside our borders—Nigeria is a nation chosen by God. It is no coincidence that one out of every four or five Black people in the world is a Nigerian.



- The prophetic portrait of Nigeria as a chosen nation appears in ***Isaiah 18:1–7 and Zephaniah 3:10–12; 18–20***. These texts describe a nation often despised and mocked, yet prophetically appointed for God's glory. Today, this same nation has been stigmatised and labelled a “disgraced nation” by the US President Donald Trump. These remarks were triggered by the catastrophic events unfolding in our country with such bewildering rapidity that it seems as though we have no government in control. In the name of the Lord Jesus, ***we reject that label***.
- Nigeria shall bounce back. Nigeria will rise from shame to fame for the sake of God's name (***Psalms 144:11–15***). Happy are the Nigerians whose God is the Lord.
- ***Prayer Point Number Four***: It is a form of lousiness and irresponsibility for any leader of a nation to paint the entire population of another nation with one dirty brush. All countries, including the United States and Great Britain, has both good and bad citizens.
- No one can curse a nation chosen and blessed by God and

escape the consequences. When David Cameron called Nigeria and Afghanistan fantastically corrupt in May 2016, he lost the bid for the UK to stay in the EU (Brexit) in a national referendum held later in June 2016. The loss led to Cameron's resignation as Prime Minister. Balaam attempted it and paid with his life (***Numbers 22, Joshua 13:22***). Even the humblest man on earth, Moses, suffered the consequences when he spoke harshly against God's people (***Numbers 12:3, 20***).

- For those who love our nation, we invoke ***Psalms 122:6–9***: In the name of Jesus, all who love Nigeria will prosper. And as they prosper, they will remember our brethren and companions, and they will continually seek the good of our nation.
- For those who hate our nation, who work against its progress, and who speak unprintable words against us, we invoke ***Psalms 109:26–29***: On the authority of Scripture, may those who curse our nation and work against its development reap the harvest of their evil deeds—sooner rather than later—in the mighty name of Jesus.