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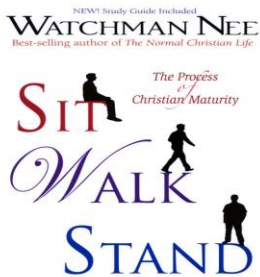
“Thov Koj Thiaj Li Yuav Tau”

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Thov txoj koobhmoov txojkev hlub thiab txojkev haumxeb pub rau nej sawvdaws los ntawm Vajtswv uas yog peb Leejtxiv uas yog peb tus Cawmseej Tswv Yexus Khetos. Asmees

Yauhas 16:23-24 “In that day you will no longer ask me anything. Very truly I tell you, my Father will give you whatever you ask in my name. Until now you have not asked for anything in my name. Ask and you will receive, and your joy will be complete – *Thaum txog hnuv ntawd nej yuav tsis nug kuv ib los li lawm. Kuv qhia tseeb rau nej haistias, yog nej tuav kuv lub npe thov ibyam dabtsi ntawm Leejtxiv, nws yeej yuav pub yam ntawd rau nej. Nej ibtxwm tsis tuav kuv lub npe thov ibyam dabtsi los txog nimno Nej cia li thov nej thiaj yuav tau, thaum nej tau lawm, nej yuav zoo siab kawg li*”. Nov yog Vajtswv Txojlus. (Cross Reference – Mathais 7:7, Yauhas 14:1, 14, 20; 15:11, 16; 16:19, 26, 30; Yauhas 3:29)

Illustration “Prayer answer” (Show Watchman Nee, sit, walk, stand)



Nyob rau phau ntawv “Sit, Walk, and Stand, – *Zaum, Taugkev, Sawvntxov*” Watchman Nee qhia txog zaj keebkwm uas muaj cov ntseeg Vajtswv mus tshajmoozoo nyob rau ib lub “island – *koog povtxwv*” hauv qab suav tebchaws. Lawv muaj 7 tus mus qhia Txojmoozoo. Muaj ibtug tub hluas muaj 16 xyoo nyuam qhuav los ntseeg Vajtswv thiab nws lub npe hu ua Wu. Lub “island – *koog povtxwv*” no muaj li 6000 lub tsev. Nee paub ibtug phoojywg nyob rau lub zos no vim nws yog tus thawj xibhwb qhia ntawv. Thaum lawv mus txog lub zos, tus xibhwb no tsis kam muab chaw rau lawv so vim nws paub haistias, lawv yog

mus qhia txojmoozoo. Lawv mam li mus nrhiav tau ibtug uas paub muab tshuaj thiab mus so ntawm nws. Txawm lawv qhia txojmoozoo npaum li cas los tsis muaj tibneeg los ntseeg Vajtswv li vim lub zos no lawv ntseeg tus mlom hu ua Ta-wang. Lawv ntseeg haistias tus mlom no muaj hwjchim heev vim txhua xyoo lawv ua koobtsheej nco txog nws tag ces lub ntuj kajnrig tsis muaj ibqhov phem li. (Show raining on a clear day)



Thaum tus tub hluas Wu paub li no lawm, nws thiaj li nug haistias, “*Thaum twg mam li txog lub sijhawm rov ua qhov koobtsheej no.*” Cov tibneeg uas tuaj mloog Wu qhia txojmoozoo ntawd teb haistias, “*Hnuv ntawd yog lub 1 hli hnuv 11 thiab thaum 8 teev sawvntxov.*” Wu teb rau lawv haistias, “*Kuv coglus rau nej haistias, hnuv ntawd ntag lauj, nws yuav los nag rau hnuv 11th.*” Cov tibneeg coob ntawd qws zomzaws haistias, “*Txaus lawm lauj! Peb tsis xav hnov koj qhia txojmoozoo ntxiv*

lawm. Yog haistias, tseem los nag rau hnuv 11th ntawd thiab ces koj tus Vajtswv yog tus tseem Vaajtswv!” Thaum tus tub hluas hais li no, Nee tseem ncig rau lwm qhovchaw hauv zos lawm. Thaum lawv hais li no rau nws tag, Nee thiaj li hu kom cov ntseeg tuaj tshajmoozoo ntawd los koom thov Vajtswv ua ke. Hnuv 11th thaum sawvntxov, tsis pos huab tsau tshwm saum ntuj li. Thaum lawv tabtom thov Vajtswv noj tshais, nws pib los nag me me ces cia li los nag hlob heev. (Show statue of Ta-wang)



Cov tibneeg uas hawm tus mlom Ta-wang npautaws thiab koj lawv tus mlom tawm tuaj rau nraum zoov kom lawv tus mlom ua kom cov nag tu. Tiamsis cov nag tsua los hlob zuzjus ntxiv. Thaum lawv koj tus mlom no mus twb tsis tau deb pestsawg, lawv ua tus mlom nplam thiab ua rau tus mlom sab plhu thiab phab tes laug tawg.

(Show prayer requests)



Coob tus los ntseeg Vajtswv vim cov nag los rau ntawm txojkev thov Vajtswv, tiamsis cov txwjlaus nyob hauv lub zos haistias, lawv hais yuamkev hnub lawm. Hnub tseem yogh nub 14th tsis yogh nub 11th. Tomqab Nee lawv hnob cov xovxwm li no, lawv rov thov Vajtswv kom los nag rau hnub 14th thiab tsis txhob los nag rau cov hnub uas lawv ua Vajtswv tes dejnum. Tib hnub ntawd muaj 30 leej los ntseeg Vajtswv. Nee thiaj li haistias, "...Peb koj txojkev thov Vajtswv mus thov rau ntawm tus Tswv txojkev mloog peb cov lus thov. Txog lub sijhawm, tsis muaj ib nasthi qeeb li, Nws teb peb tej lus thov

los ntawm kob nag uas nws tso los ua timkhawv rau sawvdaws pom. Tus mlom tsis muaj hwjchim lawm, tus yeebncuab swb lawm. Txojkev ntseeg rau txojkev thov Vajtswv yog txojkev muaj yeej. Tibneeg coob tus los ntseeg Vajtswv. Cov tshajmoozoo lub neej hloov thiab lawv txojkev ntseeg rau siab ntso ua Vajtswv tes dejnum rau yav tomntej. (Sermon search: *You Can Win!*, Roger F. Campbell, 1985, SP Publications, pp. 35-3 - <https://www.sermonsearch.com/sermon-illustrations/7466/sit-walk-stand/>)

I. Cov kwvtij hlub thiab movtshua, txojkev thov Vajtswv tsis yog lam thov saib yus puas yuav tau li yus siab xav? Vajtswv xav kom peb yuavsum thov peb Leejtxiv tus nyob saum ntuj ceebtsheej rau txhuayam uas peb xav tau. Nws yuav muab raws li Nws pom zoo rau tus uas thov Nws. Thaum Yexus ua Nws tes dejnum thiab uantej Yexus raug txojkev tsimtxom thiab tuag, Yexus samhwm rau Nws cov thwjtim kom thaum lawv thov Vajtswv ces lawv yuavsum thov rau ntawm Vajleejtxiv tus nyob saum ntuj ceebtsheej. (Mathais 6:5-15) (Show John 16:24)



Tiamsis tomqab uas Yexus sawv ntawm txojkev tuag los lawm Nws hais kom cov thwjtim yuavsum tuav Yexus lub npe thov. Thaum lawv thov lawm Vajleejtxiv yuav muab txhuayam uas lawv thov rau lawv. Yexus thiaj li haistias, "...Very truly I tell you, my Father will give you whatever you ask in my name ... Ask and you will receive, and your joy will be complete – *Kuv qhia tseeb rau nej haistias, yog nej tuav kuv lub npe thov ibyam dabtsi ntawm Leejtxiv, nws yeej yuav pub yam ntawd rau nej..... Nej cia li thov nej thiaj yuav tau, thaum nej tau lawm, nej yuav zoo siab kawg li.* (Yauhas 16:24) (Show ACTS – Prayer)

Prayer should not just be begging for things. Someone has suggested that it should usually include each of the following, in this order:

Adoration: praising God for what and who He is.
Acts 4:24 When they heard it, they lifted up their voices to God with one accord, and said, "O Lord, you are God, who made the heaven, the earth, the sea, and all that is in them. ... (All scriptures quoted from WEBB, which is public domain.) (The church praying after Peter and John's release.)

Confession: stating our sins, and asking forgiveness.
Psalm 51:1 Have mercy on me, God, according to your loving kindness. According to the multitude of your tender mercies, blot out my iniquities. 2 Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity: Cleanse me from my sin. (David, praying for forgiveness about his adultery with Bathsheba.)

Thanksgiving: thanking God for specific things He has done.
Matthew 11:25 At that time, Jesus answered: "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you hid these things from the wise and understanding, and revealed them to infants."

Supplication: asking for things we want God to do, for others (also known as intercession) or for us.
Mark 14:36 He said, "Abba, Father, all things are possible to you. Please remove this cup from me. However, not what I desire, but what you desire."

1 Kings 8:22 Solomon stood before the altar of Yahweh in the presence of all the assembly of Israel, and spread forth his hands toward heaven, 23 and he said, "Yahweh, the God of Israel, there is no God like you, in heaven above, or on earth beneath, who keep covenant and loving kindness with your servants, who walk before you with all their hearts;

1 John 1:9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us the sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Daniel 2:23 I thank you, and praise you, you God of my fathers, who have given me wisdom and might, and have now made known to me what we desired of you; for you have made known to us the king's dream.

Romans 10:1 Brothers, my heart's desire and my prayer to God is for someone that they may be saved!

Thaum peb thov Vajtswv peb yuavsum tuav Yexus lub npe thov. Nej puas nco qab yam uas peb tau kawm txog txojkev thov Vajtswv kom peb nco mentsis tias thaum twg peb thov peb siv lolus "ACTS".

- A: Adoration – *Qhuas Vajtswv*
- C: Confession – *Lees peb tej kev txhaum*
- T: Thanksgiving – *Ua Vajtswv tsaug*
- S: Supplication – *Thov rau yam uas xav tau kev pab*

Siv "ACTS" thov Vajtswv ces yog thov raws li no: "*Peb Leejtxiv tus muaj hwjchim loj kawg nkaus, thov qhuas koj lub npe uas dawbhuv. Kuv yog tus tibneeg uas muaj kev txhaum thiab thov koj zamtxim rau kuv. Kuv thov ua Koj tsaug rau txhuayam uas koj tseem pub kuv muaj txojkia lub zog nyob, muaj noj muaj haus tsis tu. Thov koj nrognraim kuv niam kom nws tus mob zoo, thov txhawb nws txojkev*

nyuajsiab nrog rau lub dag lub zog kom nws rov zoo los muaj lub zog thiab tau txojkev nyob kajsiab lug. Kuv muab txhuayam uas kuv thov cia siab rau Koj txojkev hlub dhau los ntawm kuv tus Cawmseej Tswv Yexus Khetos lub npe uas zoo kawg nkaus. Asmees.” (Show unanswer prayer)



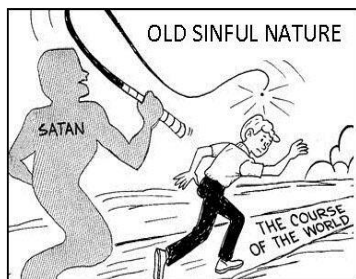
Thaum peb tuav Tswv Yexus lub npe thov yog lub npe los muaj hwjchim los mus ua tau txhuayam rau yam uas peb thov. Tiamsis ntau zaug hauv peb lub neej, peb tsis thov peb thiaj li tsis tau. Thiab yam uas peb thov ntawd, peb tsis yog thov rau qhov zoo. Yankaunpaus thiaj li sau haistias, “When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures – *Thaum koj thov, koj tsis tau, vim koj thov rau koj lub siab phem, tej uas nej thov ntawd nej yuav koj mus siv raws li nej lub siab nyiam xwb.*” (Yakaunpaus 4:3)

II. Tiamsis Yexus qhia rau peb haistias, yam uas peb thov peb yuavtsum tuav nws lub npe thov. Peb yuavtsum thov, nrhiav, thiab khob thiaj li tau. (Show Ask, Seek, and Knock)



Nyob rau Mathais 7:7-8 Yexus qhia haistias, “Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened – *Thov koj thiaj yuav tau, nrhiav koj thiaj yuav ntsib, khob lub qhovrooj thiaj li yuav qhib rau koj. Txhuatus uas thov yuav tau, txhuatus uas*

nrhiav yuav ntsib, thiab txhuatus uas khob, lub qhovrooj yuav qhib.” Yog koj cia siab rau Vajtswv lawm, koj yeej yuav tau raws li Nws pomzoo. Lolus uas tuav Yexus lub npe thov tsis yog yuavtsum tuav Nws lub npe rau thaum thov Vajtswv xaus xwb. Txawm koj pib haistias, “*Peb pib thov ntawm Tswv Yexus lub npe – losyog peb thov txhuayam rau ntawm Yexus lub npe uas zoo kawg nkaus*” los yeej tau vim koj thov, nrhiav, thiab khob kom Yexus teb koj tej lus thov. (Show old sinful nature)



Nco ntsoov haistias, peb tuav Yexus lub npe thov lawm, peb yeej yuav tau raws li Nws txojkev pomzoo. Peb tsis txhob yuam kom Yexus ua raws li peb lub siab nyiam – “*Vajtswv, thov koj pub kom kuv twv txiaj kom yeej iblaab duaslas ces kuv mam li koj mus pab rau cov pluag thiab koj tuaj pab koj lub tuamtsev?*” Yog koj thov li no, Vajtswv puas yuav teb koj tej lus thov? Peb yuav yuam losyog ua raws li peb lub siab nyiam, peb yuav yuam tsis tau Vajtswv txojkev hlub. Peb yuav hais tsis tau rau Vajtswv haistias, “*Yog koj ua dabtsi rau kuv, ces kuv mam li rov ua dabtsi rau*

koj?” Vim peb yog tibneeg, peb nyob rau ntawm sab nqaijtawv uas muaj kev txhaum peb thiaj li thov raws li sab nqaijtawv es tsis thov los ntawm sab ntsujplig uas yog ua haum Vajtswv dejsiab. Dabntxwngnyoog yuav ua txhuayam kom peb muaj txojkev phem kev xav tsis zoo kom peb tsis txhob tau Vajtswv txojkev hlub. (Show Ask)

ASK
and ye shall receive

Txojkev uas peb thov peb thiaj li yuav tau yog xyaum tus yamntxwv li Yexus. Yexus thov rau tus digmuag rov pomkev, tus tsis hnov lus rov hnov lus, tus tsis txawj hais lus rov txawj hais lus, thiab tsa tau tus tuag sawv rov los. Yexus thov Nws Leejtxiv, Leejtxiv thiaj li ua txhuayam raws li Yexus txojkev thov. Yog peb thov Yexus, Nws yuav ua txhuayam raws li Nws txojlus haistias, “Ask and it will be given to you; - *Thov koj thiaj yuav tau.*” (Mathais 7:7)

III. Yexus ntixv haistias, “Seek and you will find – *Nrhiav koj thiaj li yuav ntsib*”.

SEEK
and ye shall find

Peb nyob rau lub ntiajteb, peb yeej yuav nrhiav rau txojkev khwv noj khwv haus los yug lub cuab lub yig. Tiamsis nyob rau ntawm sab ntsujplig, Vajtswv txojlus qhia kom koj yuavtsum nrhiav Vajtswv txojkev cawmdim uas yog tau txojhia mus ibtxhis. Vim sab nqajjtawv tsis muaj peevxwm ua tau. Txojkev nrhiav yog nrhiav rau ntawm Yexus Khetos uas Nws yog txojkev, Nws yog qhov tseeb, thiab Nws yog txojhia. (Yauhas 14:6) **(Show Rev. James Gilmour among the Mongols)**



James Gilmour, yog tus xibhwb tshajmoozoo rau tebchaws Mongolia. Muaj ib hnuv, lawv thov kom nws kho obtug tibneeg raug mob. Txawm nws tsis yog kws khomob los vim nws paub mentsis “Firstaid” ces nws pab kho. Tiamsis lawv coj tus txivneej thib peb uas sab ceg lov los rau nws. Thaum nws pom sabceg lov lawm, nws txhawj heev vim nws tsis paub xyov yuav kho li cas? Tiamsis Nws txhocaug thiab thov kom Vajtswv pab nws. Thaum nws tseem tabtom thov Vajtswv, muaj ibpab cov txomnyem los thov nyiaj ntawm nws. Txawm nws

txhawj txog tus txivneej lov ceg npaum li cas los nws tig mus muab khoomplig mentsis rau lawv thiab hais ob peb lolus foom koobmoov rau lawv. Thaum cov tibneeg pluag ntawd mus tag lawm tshuav ibtug ntxaug ntxaug tshuav pobtxa lawm xwb tseem nyob ntsiantsoov nws tsis tau mus. Thaum no tus Xh. Gilmore mam ras dheev txog tias nov yog Vajtswv txib los pab nws. Nws thiaj li tig hlo mus mloog tus tibneeg txomnyem ntawd thiab nug nws saib nws puas kam cia nws sojntsuam nws lub cev. Tus tibneeg pluag no kam ces nws thiaj li muab nws txhaistes mus xua lawv raws tus nov tej pobtxha thiab paub tau haistias tus raugmob uas sab ceg lov ntawd cov pobtxha zoo li cas. Nws thiaj li tig mus rau tus raug mob thiab muab nws cov pobtxha tig rov los sibncaj li qub. Vajtswv txojkev uas pab peb rau thaum peb thov, nrhiav, thiab khob lawm, peb yeej yuav tau. **(Our Daily Bread) (Show knock)**

KNOCK
and it shall be opened

Yexus hais ntxiv kom peb yuavtsum “knock and the door will be opened to you – *khob lub qhovrooj thiaj li yuav qhib rau koj.*” (Mathais 7:8) Yog haistias, lub qhovrooj kaw lawm, nws tsis tau txhais tau haistias yuav qhib tsis tau. Koj cia li cia siab rau Vajtswv Nws yeej yuav qhib rau koj.



Yexus thiaj li haistias, “...Very truly I tell you, my Father will give you whatever you ask in my name ... Ask and you will receive, and your joy will be complete – *Kuv qhia tseeb rau nej haistias, yog nej tuav kuv lub npe thov ibyam dabtsi ntawm Leejtxiv, nws yeej yuav pub yam ntawd rau nej..... Nej cia li thov nej thiaj yuav tau, thaum nej tau lawm, nej yuav zoo siab kawg li.* (Yauhas 16:24) Cia li thov koj thiaj li yuav tau vim Vajtswv twb coglus rau koj lawm. Asmees.

Thov kom Vajtswv txojlus pub rau koj totaub thiab tau txojkev haumxeeb rau ntawm Tswv Yexus Khetos. Peb txhuatus uas yog Vajtswv cov menyuum peb sawvdaws hais: Asmees.