



IDENTIFICATION REPENTANCE

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What is identification repentance?

Does this have a biblical foundation?

I am American. I represent America. What is done to me, or by me, is done by America or to America. I am a single unit of the whole tapestry that is America. I hold legal rights in this land because I am an American. Where are you from? Where were you born? You too represent your country and have legal rights in that land. Love moves me to pray for my country and I want my country to experience a move of God that will bring reformation and bring the nation to its knees repenting before the Lord. So I began asking the Lord about identification repentance and what I'm sharing here is the revelation the Lord uncovered for me, and I pray it blesses you.

Identification repentance is a powerful prophetic act where we confess the sins and iniquities of a people group or a nation before God Almighty, and in which the legal rights of the strongholds are broken and forgiveness is released. Identification repentance is not done for someone to pick up the guilt of another person and neither this prophetic act serves to take the place of another in condemnation or salvation. Identification repentance is where a person (or a team of people) operate as a High Priest (1 Peter 2:9) to confess the sins of a nation and ask the Supreme Court of Heaven for forgiveness (see Heb. 5:1-4). Forgiveness is released not because of the person praying but solely based on the Blood of Jesus, and His Word.

This revelation requires much study of the Word to hear the heart of the Father and for the Holy Spirit to grant us open eyes to receive the revelation he appointed us to have. We see in the Word that God visits the iniquity of the Fathers to the 3rd and 4th generation, it is mentioned not in an isolated verse but in several Bible passages:

“Visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the 3rd and 4th generation of them that hate me” - Deut. 5:9; Exodus 20:5 and 34:6-7; and Numbers 14:18, Lev. 26:39

We see identification repentance prayers in Ezra 9, Nehemiah 9, Daniel 9 and Jeremiah 14:20 To understand identification repentance we need to study the difference between sin, transgression and iniquity, for these are not the same and they should be addressed at the root of their meaning. Praying a generic prayer will not cancel the source from which these types of sin come in to build a stronghold in the region and operate for centuries.



Iniquity - (Avon, is a Hebrew word, Strong's Concordance H5771). This type of sin refers to a continual practice of depravity, a persistent perversion, it is a custom of twisting and distorting the law of God that is passed down from generation to generation. It is an inclination, a weakness, and an attraction to do evil that has become part of your life (DNA). It is a propensity to behave in a twisted manner and the desire to seek or pay attention to perverted things (follow them). It is the practice of certain activities people know are wrong but they have a weakness within them that draws them to it. That inclination makes it very difficult for them to change or stop this particular evil in their lives because it has settled in and become established.

A person can activate the iniquity in their bloodline by falling for it (James 1:14-15) or by practicing this inclination or weakness, then it continues in their family as it repeats. The evidence of iniquitous DNA structure is activated and replicated from the iniquity of their forefathers. The evil structure that is established in a nation, as iniquity is consistently perpetuated by families, continues to function and operate until someone breaks the cycle and demolishes those structures (gods of the nation). Identification repentance breaks the legal rights of the spirits of the land.

TERRITORIAL SPIRITS AND THRONES OF INIQUITY

How do these evil spirits take over a territory and how are these thrones of iniquity established?

The word "Throne" (Kesh'ea) refers to a "Seat of Honor" and it is specifically used in reference to the throne of a king (Job 36:7), the seat of a deity, power or ruler.

It is also employed in a more general sense to designate the tribunal (seat of judgment, court of justice) of a judge or magistrate (Psalm 122:5, Neh. 3:7).

Thus a "Throne of Iniquity" within a city or region refers to a civil authority that brings ruin on people because of the wickedness of the rulers. It is a government whose administration is like a yawning gulf swallowing up its subjects in irretrievable ruin (see Psalm 94:20).

Lesser demons and forces of darkness create an evil hub / stronghold to secure their legal rights for the strongman to rule. The Prophetic anointing, the Seers will begin to receive revelation of the demonic network operating in the city/region, and many times the Lord will expose them through dreams, visions, while in fellowship, through the study of the Word and when doing intercession.



We are to close the portals of wickedness over our cities and repair the altar of the Lord in our land and identification repentance is one of the strategies of spiritual warfare the Lord has given us for that assignment. See how the Lord deals with mankind, notice the character of our Heavenly Father is for the restoration of fellowship with his children.

- Moses and the Elders bowed down and worshiped then the Lord judged all the gods of the land - Exodus 4:31 & 12:12
- Elijah repaired the altar of the Lord and then he dethroned Baal and the Queen of Heaven - 1 Kings 18:20-40
- Gideon repaired the altar of the Lord and then he destroyed the altar of Baal - Judges 6:24-25

To do identification repentance effectively the people leading the prophetic act should have an understanding of the governmental mantles, the type of sins the Bible speaks of, the principles for deliverance and the different levels of spiritual warfare:

Four Levels of Government

- Self-government
- Family government
- Church government
- Civic government

Four Level for Deliverance

- Confess, acknowledge
- Repent, turn away from it
- Renounce, detach (cast away)
- Release blessings, build, plant

Four Levels of Sin

- Personal sins
- Family Bloodline sins
- Corporate sins-groups of people
- Territorial Sins-national

Four Levels of Spiritual Warfare

- Personal Level
- Ground Level
- Occult Level
- Land Redemption



Most believers are well intended in addressing the sins of a nation though the Bible says that without knowledge my people perish (Hosea 4:6) because if we do not address the root of the problems the evil structure will remain in the land. Jesus talks about unclean spirits, in Matthew 12:45, that after a while the unclean spirit returns to the place they originally left and finding it unoccupied then it goes and takes 7 spirits more wicked than itself and the final condition becomes worse than the first. Then notice what Jesus says at the end of verse 45 “So shall it also be with this wicked generation”. This is what identification repentance addresses: the root of the sin.

REVELATION IS A SHIFT OF MINDSETS

The Lord showed Peter, in Acts 10, a vision of unclean animals and said to him “kill and eat” and Peter was shocked with the vision. By the power of the Holy Spirit Peter received the revelation that he was not to call any man “common or unclean” (10:28). The Lord had to shake Peter out of his mindset of understanding to bring him into a new and fresh revelation of the Word.

Identification repentance is a powerful revelation of the last days, in which believers are moving at a greater level of authority and mighty exploits. We are seeing powerful ethnic reconciliations by the power of the Holy Spirit and identification repentance. We are experiencing supernatural moves of God sweeping cities, regions and nations for the Lord said the fullness of time is here for the unfolding of what was promised.

“If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe
how would you believe if I tell you heavenly things? - John 3:12

There are many moments in the Bible, where we see revelation shifting the mindsets of people.

- Ethiopian getting baptized - Acts 8:26-39
- Jesus honors women and recognizes them as heirs “daughter of Abraham” - Luke 13:16
- Philip, Peter and John enter Samaria and preach the gospel to gentiles - Acts 8
- Several times Jesus healed sick people on a Shabbat day - Luke 13:15

There are many passages in the Bible that show the power of identification repentance and we see God urging us to do the work of a high priest and intercede granting forgiveness.

“I have pardoned them according to your word” - Num. 14:20.

Anyone you forgive, I also forgive. - 2 Cor. 2:10

I will spare the whole place for their sake - Gen. 18:26

He will deliver one who is not innocent who will be delivered through
the cleanness of your hands - Job 22:30



Can we declare to someone your sins are forgiven without that person repenting? Absolutely! Many times we forgive people and they do not even apologize or say “I’m sorry” but yet you forgive them. Forgiveness was granted regardless if they received it or not.

It is important to understand that the forgiveness of God is not conditioned to the repenting of the person. The forgiveness of God is not dependent on what we do. The fact that a person does not receive the forgiveness of God does not change the fact that forgiveness was granted.

Identification repentance is a prophetic act that breaks the legal rights and closes demonic portals, it is a physical representation of a spiritual operation. Identification repentance should be handled with care, respect and honor as it involves relationships with different groups of people. Identification repentance should be covered in deep intercession for weeks, months or even years, as long as the Holy Spirit leads the leaders to. We should enter long hours of travelling and groaning in the Holy Spirit to hear what revelations the Lord would speak about the assignment. Intercession should be lifted to seek the purpose and the subject for the identification repentance, the location, the timing, and how the prophetic act will unfold. Identification repentance is a powerful weapon and is part of our role as royal priesthood (see 1 Peter 2:9). As priests we have been appointed to come before the Lord, God Almighty, and intercede on behalf of the nation. Repentance and forgiveness change things in the spiritual realm, loosening the hold of the enemy. This opens new pathways for God’s Kingdom to break through. Remember that as members of the royal priesthood, praying for God’s forgiveness on behalf of our families, communities, and nations is not only biblical, it’s powerful!

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What about you?