

*The counsel of the Lord standeth forever, the thoughts of His heart to all generations. Psalm 33:11*

**INTERCESSORY PRAYER RE: ISRAEL - LEBANON**

**Chuck Pierce: "Israel Prayer Request--From Eitan Shishkoff"**

I am forwarding a prayer request from Eitan Shishkoff, who is the apostolic leader of five congregations throughout the Haifa area of Israel, one fellowship being in Nazareth.

Blessings, Chuck D. Pierce

Dear Intercessors,

The Book of Esther focuses on the attempt of Persia (Iran) to wipe out the Jewish people. An unchangeable edict is made demanding their destruction. The power and authority of the Persian Empire is aimed at (exiled) Israel's total destruction. This attempt is foiled when the King's wife, whose Jewish identity has been hidden, appears before the king after calling her people to a breakthrough fast. In the process, Esther's mentor Mordecai, utters these immortal words:

Do not think in your heart that you will escape in the king's palace any more than all the other Jews. For if you remain completely silent at this time, relief and deliverance will arise for the Jews from another place, but you and your father's house will perish. Yet who knows whether you have come to the kingdom for such a time as this?  
Esther 4:13,14

Here are some gripping parallels with Israel's situation:

1. The principality seeking Israel's destruction was Persia---modern day Iran.
2. Esther, representing believers in Israel's God (Jesus' true followers of today), had a choice whether to speak up, identifying with the Jews, or to be silent.
3. The cost of not speaking up and interceding for the salvation of the Jews at a time of catastrophic danger, would be their own demise.
4. Implied in Esther's timing and availability, was the dimension of God sovereignly choosing her to bring God's deliverance.
5. Esther went before the King, who alone had the authority to stop the murderous attack upon the Jews. Being his bride, she had favor.

Beloved friends, I believe this comparison is given for our instruction and inspiration. Those who love Yeshua, must now arise and go before the King to secure Israel's physical and spiritual deliverance.

**Current Developments**

I cannot possibly write these words or send out this e-mail fast enough, to keep up with the developments in the war on my nation of Israel. The entire region around Haifa is under bombardment. Many 100's of rockets have fallen throughout northern Israel, the Galilee, where I, and thousands of Messianic believers live, work, and worship.

Akko, Upper Nazareth, Tiberias area, Haifa, and the Kroyot (nearest the large oil refinery Hizbollah is targeting), are the exact locations of the congregations I serve. Towns that have never been hit this way, or at least not for decades, are experiencing the wickedness of Hizbollah, propelled to this madness by Iran (Persia). Israeli citizens have been killed in their own homes, after our government has gone to sacrificial extremes to withdraw from conflict. But conflict is obviously not withdrawing from us.

In recent years, the Spirit of God has been arousing Christians on every continent, to love and pray for Israel. It would seem that you have been brought to the Kingdom for just "such a time as this," when there is a life and death need, to intercede before the King for Israel's enemies to be destroyed.

**How then, Shall We Pray?**

Here are a few simple suggestions. May God guide you and take you to an unprecedented place of identification with Israel, intimacy with Himself, and intensity in spiritual warfare.

**LET GOD ARISE. LET HIS ENEMIES BE SCATTERED; LET THOSE ALSO WHO HATE HIM FLEE BEFORE HIM. Psalms 68:1**

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This is God's battle. Let us call on Him who loves Israel and has established her for His testimony in the earth. We can authoritatively pray confusion and dissolution upon Israel's enemies. Pray utilizing passages like Isaiah 41:8-14, in which God makes clear that He has brought Jacob back to his land, and that He will uphold us with His righteous right hand. "Those who were incensed against you, shall be ashamed and disgraced; they shall be as nothing, and those who strive with you shall perish." Isaiah 41:11.

It is entirely Biblical and would grab the attention of our nation, if this war were to be decided through overtly miraculous intervention on God's part. Let us pray so.

SALVATION BELONGS TO THE LORD. YOUR BLESSING IS UPON YOUR PEOPLE. Psalms 3:8

This entire chapter is vividly relevant to our situation. It also speaks of the danger we are in, of God arising and of the enemy being broken. But God's interest is always ultimately in the salvation of His people. "How shall we look to Him whom we have pierced." (Zechariah 12:10)

We are surrounded by enemies and pressed to look beyond our previous national conclusions about who or what Messiah is. It is time to pray for our eyes to be opened to Yeshua. This is not the final battle, but it is a prelude. Please pray for fresh BOLDNESS, FAITH, LOVE, UNITY and the SUPERNATURAL LEADING of the SPIRIT for all of Israel's Messianic believers.

BUT YOU, O LORD, ARE A SHIELD FOR ME, MY GLORY AND THE LIFTER OF MY HEAD. (Psalms 3:3).

Clearly, we need God to be our shield. Some missiles have been falling into the Mediterranean Sea. Another hit a grove of trees inside a very crowded residential/commercial area in Haifa. I just spoke with the leader of the Akko Messianic congregation, who told me that the three-story building that was destroyed in Haifa, was EMPTY! He said a synagogue in Akko, was wiped out only 10 minutes after its worshipers walked out. Angelic protection is an established reality in the history of Israel's conflicts...both in Bible times and in recent history such as the Six Day War in '67.

*Father, we call upon You, to release angelic hosts to deflect weapons aimed against us, and to place shields over our soldiers, and over our citizens. And may those who are truly innocent in the territory we are having to counter-attack, be spared as well.*

Eitan Shishkoff  
Tents of Mercy (Ohalei Rachamim)

**How to pray? – A. Boskey/ Beersheva**

1. Pray for God to deflect Hezbollah missiles away from their targets. This happened in the 1991 Gulf War and it can happen again as we pray.
2. Pray for the safety of all Israelis targeted by Hezbollah rockets and missiles.
3. Pray for a revelation of Yeshua as Messiah and atonement to many in Israel right now.
4. Pray for the protection of the many south Lebanese who are soon to become refugees.
5. Pray for those Hezbollah fighting against Israel to either be saved or to be totally crushed.
6. Protection for Israeli soldiers fighting, and especially for those Messianic Jewish believers presently involved in the war.
7. Pray for God to reveal and counter Syrian and Iranian strategies to the IDF generals, as He did in 2 Kings 6 in Elisha's day.
8. Ask the God of Israel to hook you up to His prayer request line - to download to you directly and in real time what needs to be prayed for. This is what Rees Howell experienced during WW II, in a time when there were no TVs, no cell phones and no Internet.

PLEASE PRAY URGENTLY FOR THESE MATTERS! THANKS SO MUCH FOR CARRYING THIS PRAYER BURDEN WITH US !

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Dear friends,

These lines are just to let you know that we in Maagan are all ok.

Like many other touristic sites in the north of Israel, Maagan suffered a major financial loss, but we feel this is a price we have, and are ready to pay for the security of Israel, and for better and safer years to come.

Most of the world stands behind Israel's right to defend itself against the brutal violation of it's sovereign land by Hizballa, who are the messengers of Teheran.

Nobody is happy here about the destruction and refugees in Lebanon, but one should bear in mind also the hundreds thousands of refugees here in Israel (who ran away from the north), the more than a million citizens who are sitting in bunkers, and the destruction of the economy, especially the tourism. War is bad for everybody – but it is not Israel who started this war. We have nothing against Lebanon or it's citizens, and just want to have them as good neighbors!

As said before, we in Maagan are holding on, and hope there will be soon a diplomatic solution for the crisis, which will take the terrorists with their 12000 Iranian and Syrian rockets away from the Israeli border. We are sure that in short time also the tourists will return to Israel – and Lebanon.

WE hope you are all ok.

Thanks and best regards

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