

The Ministry of Prayer – Delivered in 1980 by Kenneth E. Hagin

I can hear the Spirit of God saying: "Hear and hear ye well for you see responsibility is upon your shoulders, responsibility is upon the followers of Christ to loose those around about them from grave clothes to which they are bound, and they'll never be loosed until you loose them."

Enter in to the ministry of prayer. "Oh I wish I could do something for the Lord, I wish God would call me to preach."

"But yea," saith the Lord, "the greatest ministry of all is the ministry of prayer. The greatest ministry of all is the ministry of intercession. And even all the other ministries will fail unless the intercessors will take their place and will stand against the forces of darkness and the forces of evil and will intercede and will help to bring forth, to bring to birth, the move of the Spirit, the revival, the manifestation of God's power and bring to birth the ministries that God desires. Supernatural ministries to be in manifestation in the church, but it will take those who will travail. It will take those who will bring to birth those ministries, and often times the one who stands to minister, many will look upon him and think 'Oh he's a mighty man of God and he should get all the benefit,' but you see, the reward will not go to him, he was not the one who gave birth to it, he is the result of the birth. The birth was caused by those who had travailed, until that was brought forth what God desired to bring forth."

"So in this day, in this hour there is a work of God that has not yet been wrought. Oh yes, He was in the move of healing revival, He was in a move and instigated and men prayed and brought about the revival that we call the 'Charismatic Move' in the denominational church, in the Catholic Church, and what a mighty move. But you see now, you stand," saith the Spirit of God, "on the threshold, at the door of another move. Of another move of God, will it be brought forth? Shall I bring it to the birth and not bring it forth? Oh," saith the Lord of Hosts, "when Zion travailed she brought forth her children. You see, it is not just the Lord that will bring forth the move, for He moves through men. He uses His Church to do His work in the earth. It is instigated by the Spirit, but you see it is Zion that travails, so travail ye, travail ye."