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**I bind unto myself today
The strong Name of the Trinity,
By invocation of the same,
The Three in One and One in Three.**

**Of Whom all nature hath creation,
Eternal Father, Spirit, Word:
Praise to the Lord of my salvation,
Salvation is of Christ the Lord.**

**Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive
power and wealth and wisdom and strength
and honour and glory and praise!**

(Revelation 5:12)

In the spirit, I found myself inside the stronghold of the enemy. A voice whispered to me - "You had better get out of here." "Not at all," I replied and called down thousands of angels to form a stronghold of glory and praise within the enemy's stronghold. I poured the blood of Jesus all around. "Stop," the voice cried. "This is too strong for us." But I did not stop. "I am a servant of the King," I said. "He has the power and as his servant do I." Fear spread through the stronghold. The enemy was afraid. I rejoiced and knelt down to worship to my King.

I came to understand that I was in Poland.

Who rules?

The power tower is a battleground. The power tower intercessors need to realise one key truth which Apostle Paul teaches - it's a battle the Lord has already won.

And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

(Colossians 2:15)

Here is one of my victory visions from my book, “The way of the cross.”

Suddenly the Pilgrims felt the great and awesome power of the Lord. They heard a voice saying “My arm is strong to save those I love and have called to myself. They need not fear the power of any enemy.” A great feeling of strength, peace and hope flowed into their hearts. The Lord spoke again, “I am allowing you to feel this because I love you and I am always with you. You stand on the edge of the ocean of my love for you.” The Pilgrims lifted their arms and praised the God who lived for ever and who loved them with a love that knew no limits.

The enemy is still dangerous

Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. (1 Peter 5:8)

Satan will not accept his defeat. He still believes he can rule. Here is my vision of the danger of the defeated enemy.

I saw a great stadium, full of people. Everything was gold, but there was a throne in the middle which was of the purest gold I had ever seen. It was surrounded by figures dressed in white and gold. Satan came into the Stadium and took his seat on the throne. One of the figures was holding a crown of pure gold went forward and placed it on the Satan's head.

Everyone stood up a cheered - except me. A figure came to me and said - "You must stand and cheer." I replied - "I am a prophet of the Most High. I have a heart of flint towards your Master and all his works. I am here to testify before my master of what I have seen. I will never stand."

The dark figure twisted in evil and anger. "Trouble will come to you," it said. "No trouble will ever come to me from you or your kind. My Master rules the heaven and the earth. I am leaving now and if any of your kind come even near me I will kill them." The dark figure was afraid and backed away.

The satanic Kingdom is broken. It was broken on the cross and will never restore itself. So why must there be a tower of Power to break his attempt to rule? The answer is simple and it is to be found in this theology.

*** It begins here with Satan and his supporters kicked out of heaven -**

How you have fallen from heaven, morning star, son of the dawn! You have been cast down to the earth, you who once laid low the nations! You said in your heart, “I will ascend to the heavens; I will raise my throne above the stars of God; I will sit enthroned on the mount of assembly, on the utmost heights of Mount Zaphon. I will ascend above the tops of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High. But you are brought down to the realm of the dead.

(Isaiah 14:12-14)

*** It continues here on earth.** Nebuchadnezzar, Satan and the beast from the earth all reveal Satan's plan to rule. He does not behave as though he were broken.

Then the herald loudly proclaimed, “Nations and peoples of every language, this is what you are commanded to do: As soon as you hear the sound of the horn, flute, zither, lyre, harp, pipe and all kinds of music, you must fall down and worship the image of gold that King Nebuchadnezzar has set up. Whoever does not fall down and worship will immediately be thrown into a blazing furnace.”

(Daniel 3:4-6)

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour. “All this I will give you,” he said, “if you will bow down and worship me.”

(Matthew 4:8-10)

The second beast was given power to give breath to the image of the first beast, so that the image could speak and cause all who refused to worship the image to be killed.

(Revelation 13:15)

This tower attracts enormous spiritual opposition. Here is another story from “The way of the cross.”

Night came, but as the Pilgrims prepared to rest, they heard a noise, like the approach of a mighty army. “Pharaoh is coming,” said the Lord. From out of the darkness an army of violence and hate swept towards them. At its heart was anger, violence, filth, chains, scorn and humiliation. The people jumped up, afraid. “Have mercy Lord,” they cried. A huge pillar of fire and cloud suddenly rose up between them and Pharaoh’s attack. He pulled back, afraid and defeated.

Tough battleground

It is a tower of overcoming and breaking the thrusts of the enemy. The Tower of Power is a tough battleground. Who would fight in such a place? The Lord will call the right intercessors to this fight. They will not necessarily be the strongest ones, but they will be intercessors who have known pain and suffering and despite everything have, are and will overcome.

The rooms are very different from the other towers.

ROOMS IN TOWER

Door

Strength room - the church

Strength room - the Trinity

Strength room - the word of God

Strength room - the sacrifice

Strength room - victory

The top - enter the camp of the enemy

Door

On the door of this tower are these words - suitable for a tower dealing with the power struggle between Satan and God's authority. They are very challenging.

“After this I saw another angel, coming down from heaven. He had great authority, and the earth was illuminated by his splendour. With a mighty voice he shouted: ‘Fallen! Fallen is Babylon the Great!’”

(Revelation 18:1-2)

“Then a mighty angel picked up a boulder the size of a large millstone and threw it into the sea and said - ‘With such violence the great city of Babylon will be thrown down, never to be found again.’”

(Revelation 18:21)

The power tower is challenging Babylon - nothing less was to be expected. Babylon is just like its master - defeated but refusing to accept defeat. It reflects everything evil that is in Satan. It wants to establish itself so that Satan can rule as king of kings. Intercessors are going to have to be strong in this tower. They need this weapon -

“Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power.” (Ephesians 6:10)

Strength room: The Church

“And I tell you that you are Peter and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it.” (Matthew 16:18)

Power and strength flow through the church into the intercessors, so they must draw strength from the church. Here is how Saint Patrick's breastplate puts it. The words are old but the point about strength coming from the church is clearly made -

**I bind unto myself the power
Of the great love of cherubim;
The sweet ‘Well done’ in judgment hour,
The service of the seraphim,
Confessors’ faith, Apostles’ word,
The Patriarchs’ prayers, the prophets’ scrolls,
All good deeds done unto the Lord
And purity of virgin souls.**

There is great power in the tradition of the church – the Old Testament tradition, the New Testament tradition, and 2000 years of the apostolic tradition.

* Clement, Irenaeus, Athanasius, John Chrysostom, Basil, Gregory the Theologian, Gregory the Enlightener are just a few among hundreds of godly men and women who have furthered understanding of faith. The many traditions of contemplation have added to understanding - all coming through the church - Richard Rolles, Teresa of Avila, St. John of the cross, Julian of Norwich, Thérèse of Lisieux, Mechthild of Magdeburg, Padre Pio and many others. The Reformation - Martin Luther and John Calvin, the powerful traditions of Mount Athos, and many of the statements of Vatican 2.

Intercessors draw on this tradition of the church. They are able to surround themselves with it, to soak themselves into it, to say to the enemy - “We do not stand alone here in this tower. We are surrounded by “A great crowd of witnesses.””

(Hebrews 12:1)

Strength room: The Trinity

I bind unto myself today the strong Name of the Trinity. By invocation of the same, the Three in One and One in Three.

(St Patrick's breastplate)

It's essential that intercessors pray in the strength of the Trinity.

*** They need the creative power of the Father.**

“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.”
(Genesis 1:1)

*** They need the redemptive power of the Son.**

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!” (2 Cor. 5:17)

*** They need the energising power of the Holy Spirit.**

“But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. He will glorify me because it is from me that he will receive what he will make known to you. All that belongs to the Father is mine. That is why I said the Spirit will receive from me what he will make known to you.”
(John 16:13-15)

Intercessors in this tower need to learn the ability to call down the fullness of God. This will both protect them and make them strong formidable opponents of the dark spiritual powers.

Strength room: The word of God

“The true treasure of the church is the most holy gospel of the glory and the grace of God.”
(Thérèse of Lisieux)

From the very beginning the Word of God has been a key part of the Christian faith. It's gone through many transformations. Even in the early Church era, there were different ways of interpretation from Alexandria to Antioch.

The Early Fathers used the Bible extensively, but their translations of the Old Testament were not as accurate as they are today, and this led to some uncertain interpretations. The church went through a long period where the Bible was used allegorically until certain theologians (Richard of St. Victor), began to recover the original meanings of the Bible.

The Reformation helped rediscover the centrality of the actual text, assisted by the introduction of printing, and the beginning of more accurate translations in vernacular languages. Today, all the major streams of the Christian faith have been working with good Hebrew and Greek translations of the Bible.

Whatever point we stop at in the Tradition, the Bible has been the vital heart of our Faith. It is vital that towers intercessors use the word of God in their power-warfare. Apostle Paul says that intercessors should “take the sword of the Spirit which is the word of God.” (Ephesians. 6:17)

Towers intercessors need to bind to themselves to the Trinity, stand in the middle of the great cloud of witnesses, and wield the sword. This will break open a way for their intercession.

Strength room 4: The sacrifice

Christians understand Christ's death on the cross to be a necessary atonement for the sins of the world. In the first generation after Jesus' death, the Apostle Paul wrote -

“For I delivered to you first of all, what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he rose again on the third day.” (I Corinthians 15: 3-4)

Christ's death was the final sacrifice, which superseded the need for animal sacrifices offered in the past by the high priest -

“Having therefore a great high priest who has passed into the heavens, Jesus Son of God.... because he continues forever, he has an everlasting priesthood.”
(Hebrews 4: 14, 7:24).

Intercessors need to live within the sacrifice of Jesus. It has to be their very heartbeat. Within it they are safe, they are strong and they will ultimately achieve what their intercession is longing for - the destruction of the demonic strongholds and the lifting up of the name of Jesus. The sacrifice is our victory -

When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, having cancelled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

(Colossians 2:13-15)

Strength room 6: Victory!

After this I saw another angel coming down from heaven. He had great authority, and the earth was illuminated by his splendour. With a mighty voice he shouted: “Fallen! Fallen is Babylon the Great!”

(Revelation 18:1-2)

But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

(1 Corinthians 15:57)

Here is the victory of the pilgrims from “The way of the cross.”

The Pilgrims wanted to mark the new beginning and the new hope. So they build a beautiful new house for the Lord. Into the foundations they poured their love, and the walls were built from their praise. A river of forgiveness flowed in the house, and they were daily cleansed and made new.

They promised that they would never come to his house to take, but only to give. In the house, the name of the Lord was held in high honour. Glory shone and heaven rejoiced. Satan was afraid and feared to come near.

Then the Lord came again to his people. They rejoiced at his presence and offered him love from a pure heart. He walked with them and was their covering. The Lord gave the House a name - “The Hope.”

Top of the tower

Enter the camp

Gideon and the hundred men with him reached the edge of the camp at the beginning of the middle watch, just after they had changed the guard. They blew their trumpets and broke the jars that were in their hands. The three companies blew the trumpets and smashed the jars. Grasping the torches in their left hands and holding in their right hands the trumpets they were to blow, they shouted, “A sword for the Lord and for Gideon!” While each man held his position around the camp, all the Midianites ran, crying out as they fled.

When the three hundred trumpets sounded, the Lord caused the men throughout the camp to turn on each other with their swords. The army fled to Beth Shittah toward Zererah as far as the border of Abel Meholah near Tabbath. Israelites from Naphtali, Asher and all Manasseh were called out, and they pursued the Midianites. Gideon sent messengers throughout the hill country of Ephraim, saying, “Come down against the Midianites and seize the waters of the Jordan ahead of them as far as Beth Barah.” (Judges 7:19-24)

The job of the intercessors in the power tower is quite simple. They have to repeat what Gideon did over and over again. When they found the enemy stronghold they must enter carrying the cross, the sacrifice and the victory. Then the enemy will be broken. Having secured one victory they must move on to the next and the next and the next. It will not be easy but it will be very effective.

Final vision

This vision is a good conclusion - and a good beginning - for the power tower intercessors..

I saw a high mountain with a small path leading up it. I wanted to climb the mountain and come to the high places of the Spirit where His glory rested. I began to climb. The path was steep, but a golden mist swept in and lifted my spirit.

As I climbed, I began to get tired, but the music of heaven poured down the mountain and encouraged me. I wanted to be in the place where that music came from.

The path grew steeper and steeper, and my tiredness became too much. Suddenly the path was lined with figures - great saints of the past and ordinary men and women of God who had gone before me. They were looking at me and praying for strength. I heard a voice calling - "Power and strength to the Lord," and those words gave me courage.

The path grew steeper and steeper. I could not walk but was forced to climb on my hands and knees. Dark forces swept around me, mocking and jeering. "You will never get to the high places," they laughed.

Suddenly I was clear of the mist and clouds. All around me was the beautiful view of the heavenly places. I was alone. I turned and climbed the last few steps and stood on the highest part of the high places of the Spirit. Then I heard the Lord speaking.

“You have only one more step to take and you will have your heart’s desire.” “But there is no path,” I replied. “I am at the very top of the high places of the Spirit.” “No you are not,” he replied and taking my hands he drew me into his heart. “This,” he said - “is the highest one.”

In that love I found the courage to carry on.

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Jim Smith writes - "I have been an Anglican Pastor in the UK for over 55 years, and I serve also as a missionary in Ghana. I have been an intercessor for many of those years.



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