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Title: The Need for Divine Guidance

Text: Judges 1:1-

Now after the death of Joshua

**INTRODUCTION**

There is never been a time we need Divine guidance more.

The church has lost its way. There is much claiming to be Christian but look more like the world than Chrst. We NEED Divine guidance.

There is much confusion among Christians. We need to know what God is doing. Bearing our soul before God. We need Divine guidance.

1. **The Command to Pray**

“asked the lord” 🡨THEY PRAYED

Does it always take a crisis in our life to get us o pray? Should we not know we are required o pray? PRAYER IS A REQUIREMENT. If you don’t have time to pray, you are TOO busy.

Luke18:1 “Men ought **always** to pray and not to faint”

Luke 21:36 “Watch ye therefore and pray **always**…”

Eph 6:18 Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;

Pray for one another^ There is enough pulling them down, we need to lift them up in prayer!

I Thess 5:17 *Pray without Ceasing*

1. **The Conditions of Successful Prayer**
2. **Contrition/Humility**

Arrogance and pride will shut up the heavens.

2 Chr. 7:14 2Ch 7:14 If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

1. **Whole-Heartedness**

Jer. 29:13 *And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart.*

1. **Faith**

Mark 11:24

1. **Righteousness**

James 5:16 *Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.*

1. **Obedience**

**I John 3:23 *And this is his commandment, That we should believe on the name of his Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as he gave us commandment.***

1. **Cooperation with Divine Guidance**

Judges 1:3 And Judah said unto Simeon his brother, Come up with me into my lot, that we may fight against the Canaanites; and I likewise will go with thee into thy lot. So Simeon went with him.

In the OT it was physical cooperation.

LOVE AS BROTHERS