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The Secret Place

Where Heaven Gets a Voice on Earth

TEXT Matthew 6:1–21

ASK Where do you meet with God?



Before heaven gets a voice through us publicly, heaven must gain authority over us privately.

1

God Sees What People Never See

The secret place is where we meet with God without seeking recognition from people.

Matthew 6:6

Go into the room, shut the door, and pray to the Father who sees in secret.

Matthew 6:8

God already knows what we need; prayer is relationship, surrender, and listening.

Matthew 6:19–21

Do not live only for temporary rewards; lay up treasure in heaven.



REMEMBER

Man's applause is rented. Your Father sees what people never see.

2

Saved by Grace — Called to Faithfulness

Good works do not purchase salvation. They are the fruit of a life already saved by Jesus.

Ephesians 2:8-10 We are saved by grace through faith, not by works, and created in Christ for good works.

1 Corinthians 3:10-15 Our work will be tested, and faithful work will receive reward.

Matthew 25:21-23 God rewards faithfulness with what He has placed in our hands.



REMEMBER

We do not work for God's acceptance. We work because, through Christ, we have already been accepted.

3

Prayer Brings Us Under Heaven's Authority

Prayer is not convincing God to support our plans. Prayer brings our will under His will.

Matthew 6:9-10 "Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven."

John 15:7 Authority flows from abiding in Christ and allowing His words to remain in us.



REMEMBER

The first piece of earth that must surrender to heaven is me.

4

God's Word Came from Heaven to Earth

From creation onward, Scripture reveals the power and authority of God's Word.

Genesis 1:1–3 The Spirit moved, God spoke, and creation responded.

John 1:1–3 Jesus is the eternal Word through whom all things were made.

John 1:14 The Word became flesh and lived among us.



REMEMBER

Jesus is the Word who came from heaven to earth.

5

We Represent Another Kingdom

Born-again believers are filled with the Holy Spirit and sent to represent Christ.

2 Corinthians 5:20 We are ambassadors for Christ.

1 Corinthians 6:19–20 Our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit.

1 Corinthians 3:16 God's Spirit dwells within His people.

John 17:14–18 We are in the world, but we do not belong to the world; Jesus sends us into it.



REMEMBER

An ambassador has authority, but it is delegated authority.

Our Words Reveal What Fills Our Hearts

Words are not magic. Kingdom authority comes from a life surrendered to the King.

Matthew 12:34; The mouth speaks from what is stored in the heart.
Luke 6:45

Proverbs 18:21 Death and life are in the power of the tongue.

Ephesians 4:29 Our words should give grace and build others up.

Exodus 20:7 God's name must be treated as holy.

Mark 11:22-23 Faith speaks to mountains while trusting God.



REMEMBER

Words have kingdom authority when they come from a life under kingdom authority.

The Response

Return to the secret place.

- ✓ Find your place.
 - ✓ Shut out the distractions.
 - ✓ Open God's Word.
 - ✓ Speak honestly.
 - ✓ Listen quietly.
 - ✓ Surrender your will.
 - ✓ Carry His words into your home and your world.
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The secret place is not about having the perfect place.

It is about giving God your undivided attention.

The secret place is where heaven gets a voice on earth.