Praying Guards! Pastor's Desk – October 15, 2017



When we think about guards, the first thing that comes to mind is someone who is vigilant, ready to protect whatever they are supposed to guard, not that they will be praying

In the Book of Isaiah 62:5-7, we read about a different type of guard that was set by God Himself, praying guards. Israel was going through a rough time in its history as a result of poor choices, yet amidst of all the chaos going on, God's faithfulness to His people remained unchanged. He said: "As a man is happy with his new wife, so your God will be happy with you. Jerusalem, I put guards on your walls. They will not be silent. They will keep praying day and night. Guards keep praying to the LORD. Remind him of his promise. Don't ever stop praying."

What a marvelous God we serve!!! In the middle of their rebelliousness, the Lord still cared that much for them. Maybe a similar situation is going on in the lives of your loved ones. If that is true, I believe that our God may have set you as a praying guard that will not shut up until the Lord changes the fate of your loved ones, each one of them.

'How do I take my post as a praying guard?' you may be asking. Obviously by being vigilant day and night and making sure that the prayers will not stop on their behalf. What is the best way to pray? One of the best ways to pray, according to this Scripture, is to find Bible verses, and to remind God what He promised. These verses tell us to put God in remembrance of His promises, not our problems! Prayer is not self-pity or an excuse-to-complain time. If we have that mind-set, we will get discouraged and depressed! The key to see God's hand moving, turning things around, is to find that promise and stand on it! We still read: Isaiah 62:8: "The LORD made a promise and guaranteed it by His own power. And He will use that power to keep His promise." The call is out for all praying guards: stand on the promises! May He continue to bless all praying guards and their families!

In His service, your fellow servant,

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