



Greetings: Hope all is well with you. *There is a great acronym for the type of prayer life that is necessary to bring about change. The word is P.U.S.H., which stands for:*

P: Purify yourself. Search your heart. Repent from any known offence. The prophet Hosea said, *"Sow for yourselves righteousness."* Paul wrote, *"Let us purify ourselves from everything that contaminates body and spirit, perfecting holiness out of reverence for God"* (2 Cor. 7:1).

We need to sow the Word of God into ourselves until we see that we are a sinner under the searchlight of God's righteousness. The psalmist wrote, *"The unfolding of your words gives light"* (Psa. 119:130). When we are in error, be quick to turn away from it and cry out for God's mercy.

U: Understand God's mercy. We need to receive mercy from God, and we also need to deliver mercy as ambassadors for Christ to a lost generation. *"Be merciful to those who doubt"* (Jude 22). Jesus said, *"Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy"* (Matt. 5:7). Your personal renewal awaits your willingness to forgive all who have wronged you and to seek forgiveness of others you have wronged (see Mark 11:25-26).

S: Sanctify yourself: Learn to live a life of personal accountability to God. Regardless of what others consider to be righteous or good, keep yourself *"from being polluted by the world"* (James 1:27). Be separated for the purposes of God. *"As God has said, I will live with them and walk among them, and I will be their God, and they will be my people. Therefore, come out from them and be separate, says the Lord"* (2 Cor. 6:16-17).

Separation for God does not mean we leave the world or neglect our families. Just the opposite. It means that our commitment to the living, righteous, Holy God becomes evident to all those around us. Hosea said, *"Break up your unploughed ground."* (Hosea 10:12) We perhaps should learn to immediately obey everything God tells us to do. We never want to have a wrong heart toward Him.

H: Hold fast in prayer: *Pray Until Something Happens.* Prayer is work. It is blessed work, but it is work. As in any relationship, it takes effort to give up some of your own desires to bring contentment to another.

Perhaps the chief error of the church today is laziness.

We can be lazy about prayer.

We can be lazy about changing ourselves.

We can be lazy about good works.

We are certainly lazy about praying through for a great spiritual awakening in our land.

God has made available incredible power to change this nation, and yet we remain in our dulled state of immorality, complaining about the condition of the UK, Wivey, Somerset, crime in the inner cities and so on...

P.U.S.H: What would happen if each of us made a commitment to **Pray Until Something Happens?** Can you see what a serious force that would be?

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