Courts of Heaven

Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Hebrews 4:16

As I watched, Thrones were set up and the Ancient of Days took his throne.

His clothing was white as snow, the hair on his head like pure wool; His throne was flames of fire, with wheels of burning fire. A River of fire surged forth, flowing from where he sat; Thousands upon thousands were ministering to him, and myriads upon myriads stood before him.

The court was convened, and the books were opened. Daniel 7:9-10

1. Ask permission to enter His courtroom and praise God. Picture yourself entering the courts of heaven and falling on your knees before the throne of God, the Most Holy Trinity. Jesus, your advocate, is at his right hand.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him, bless his name. Psalm 100:4

- **2. Present your case.** One example, *Dear Heavenly Father: I come to your courtroom of Heaven today to humbly present myself and my life* (situation) *before you.... Please remove any veils over the eyes of my understanding, so I can see truth in areas where I have been blinded. Show me patterns of wrong thinking that may have built strongholds in my mind.*⁴ Pg.23-24</sup> Note: Intercede/stand in the gap for another person only after you have repented of your own sins and for the sins of your family-line.
- **2. Ask God to open your book.** Satan has read it. He is there accusing you and doing whatever he can to thwart your destiny. There is a "cloud of witnesses" and choirs of angels there on your behalf.

My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. Your eyes beheld my unformed substance. In your book were written all the days that were formed for me, when none of them as yet existed. Psalm 139:15-16.

3. Ask God to force the accuser to reveal what he has against you and your ancestors. Listen to what you hear or sense. Confess and repent of all sins revealed by the accuser and anything else that comes to mind. Use the word repent. God responds to humility and surrender. We need to be specific. Offer no excuses, no justification, and no blame. Repent immediately after you hear or think of a sin, or a lie that you believe. Example: Murder, repent of it and all other sins in that category.

"Settle matters quickly with your adversary who is taking you to court. Do it while you are still together on the way, or your adversary may hand you over to the judge, and the judge may hand you over to the officer, and you may be thrown into prison." Matthew 5:25

a. Cleanse the Bloodline: Lord, I repent for me and my ancestors of entertaining fear and doubt, etc. By repenting for your ancestors you help to clean the family-line of sins and consequences of sins (curses) affecting you and your descendants. Repent of lies that you believe about yourself (they are from the accuser) such as, I am unclean, tainted for life, unworthy, unlovable, less than others, etc. I repent of believing the lie ______ for me and my ancestors. Repent of negative statements (word curses) you have made about yourself, such as, I wish I were dead, I could never do that, I am a loser. Repent of carrying false responsibility, especially you codependent parents.

You shall not bow down to them or serve them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments. Exodus 20:5-6

b. Intercession: Stand in the gap for their sins. Before you intercede for another person repent of everything negative that you have said about them. Our negative words that we speak about others or ourselves are in effect curses. Satan considers your words legal rights to hold them against the person. Of course God can't forgive a person just because you ask Him to, but it allows Him to move the person toward the truth and ask for forgiveness.

"But I tell you that everyone will have to give account on the Day of Judgment for every empty word they have spoken. For by your words you will be acquitted, and by your words you will be condemned." Matthew 12:36-37

c. Pray for Healing: Stand in the gap, repent for them and their generations. Ask for the legal right Satan has against the person that is causing the sickness.

4. Ask One More Time, "Lord, Is there anything else coming against me or my family?"

<u>5. Plead the Precious Blood of Jesus, your advocate</u>. Warfare isn't necessary, if you feel lead rebuke or renounce, in the Name of Jesus, any curses or lies believed. Rebuke, in the Name of Jesus, any **obvious** demonic spirits that could be present in you or your family, such as, the spirits of pride, addiction, fornication, lust, rebellion, control, lying, infirmity or cancer, etc. Ask for forgiveness and beg for the Precious Blood of Jesus to be washed over you or your family/friend. Speak to Jesus from your heart. Listen or watch Jesus, He can be very creative.

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness." 1 John 1:9

If things haven't moved, take more time in prayer. Ask God to reveal Satan's legal right to remain. Include in your prayer ministry people who easily hear from the Lord. You can ask for a legal document to be written, which will be very handy if Satan tries to come against you again with the same thing.

5. Ask for the verdict, listen. Decrees come from what God has written in the book according to <u>His purpose</u>. If you can't hear well, positive things that people have said, prophetic utterances or scriptures are perfect for this. These Scriptures might help. *[You can climb in God's lap afterward because he is also your daddy.]

He saved us and called us to a holy life, not according to our works but **according to his own design** and the grace bestowed on us in Christ Jesus before time began. 2 Timothy 1:9

Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations. Jeremiah 1:5

You have not chosen me I have chosen you. John 15:15

I have called you by your name you are mine. Isaiah 43:1

You are precious in my eyes and I love you. Isaiah 43:4

So whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come.

2 Corinthians 5:17

Then the king will say to those on his right "Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world... Matthew 25:34

With His stripes you are healed. Isaiah 53:5

Cautions:

- t is safe to come before God on the Throne of Grace and repent for yourself or your family and friends. If you feel called by God to tackle bigger things such as principalities, cities, government, or companies. etc., equip yourselves with more knowledge and work with a friend or team.
- Some of us wrongly identify another person as our adversary. We become convinced that they must be prosecuted in the Courts of Heaven. The motive may be revenge or merely a desire for justice, but such actions will only cause us more [serious] trouble. 5 pg. 12 For our struggle is not with flesh and blood but with the principalities, with the powers, with the world rulers of this present darkness, with the evil spirits in the heavens. Ephesians 6:12
- When we sense accusations coming against us we should simply admit and repent, even if we feel a situation was totally someone else's fault. If you had reacted differently, the situation might have gone in another direction, therefore you have some guilt.
- Be alert! The accuser which you have a decree may refuse to believe that your behavior has changed and he may come back to tempt you a few times....Whenever a thought comes to mind that involves an accusation that was brought against you in court, don't entertain the thought. Take it captive and give it to Jesus. (Any ungodly thought should be handled this way.) The battlefield which we wage war with our adversary is our mind. 5 pg.35
- One of the main tactics of Satan is to get us to judge each other instead of praying for each other.
- For Catholics repenting before the Throne of Grace does not take the place of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. It will enhance and deepen the sacrament. Masses said for deceased family can also be very helpful.

^{*[}The more you do this the more you will be healed and your intercession will become more and more powerful. Don't give up; keep on working. I just read a story of intercession where Leukemia was healed. The legal terms are everywhere in scripture, God has opened our eyes to this type of prayer for such as time as this. Go for it dear friends. This beautiful prayer experience is replacing the need for spiritual warfare and it is getting people healed.]

Excerpts from Robert Henderson's Story

Circumstances had caused my son, Adam, to go into a place of deep depression. I tried everything over the course of the next couple of years to get him out of it. Nothing worked... I prayed vigilantly for Adam every day. My attitude towards him and this situation was that brute prayer would get the job done. This was my attitude in prayer about everything. I figured if it didn't move, it just needed more effort and time put into it. I didn't understand that if something hasn't moved after much prayer there is a legal reason for it. The devil has a legal right to withstand me. The only thing that will bring an answer is removing the legal right that the devil has to resist us....

One morning as I was seeking the Lord and spending time with Him, the Lord said, "Take Adam before My courts." I had never done anything like that before, but I was very open to try. I simply began by declaring that I intended and wanted to present Adam before God's throne of grace. As I did this, I began to repent for what Adam has allowed in his life. I repented for his lack of faith, his lying down under depression, his giving up and anything I felt at the moment....As I repented for Adam I was getting legal things in place that had been opposing Adam. As soon as I felt that I had answered every legal thing the accuser was using against Adam, I felt a release of the Lord.

Suddenly, I heard the Lord say, "Now you repent for all the negative things you have said about Adam in your frustration." I realized at that moment that when I had spoken negative things about Adam, I had actually empowered the accuser against him.... The Lord showed me that the accuser before the throne was actually saying, "Even his own father says these things about him."

When people in authority over us speak against us or for us it becomes testimony before Heaven. (Matthew 12:36-37) As soon as I had repented for both Adam and myself, I then began to 'prophesy' and 'decree' what was written in Adam's book in Heaven. I broke the spirit of depression and told it to leave. Immediately, I felt things shift. For Adam all of the depression was suddenly gone. 1pg. 47-52

Excerpts from Jeannette Strauss story

Jeannette and her husband prayed for their daughter, Stacie, for seven years without any visible results. She was in a dark place with a young man and the world. They asked the Lord for a new strategy of prayer for her. That night Jeannette had a dream. Jeannette encountered a spirit that was there to kill Stacie, but the spirit put its hands on both sides of Jeannette's neck with the intention to kill Jeannette instead.

Jeanette heard these words echoing loudly through her mind, spoken by the Holy Spirit, "Your daughter is a lawful captive of the enemy. Her case is in my court. Stand in the gap and repent of sin committed against Me by her and ask My forgiveness for the sin. Petition Me, the Righteous Judge of Heaven and Earth, to move her case from the Courtroom of Judgement to the Throne room of Grace and Mercy, for a season of grace on her life where I will remove the veil from the eyes of her understanding and show her the truth. Then I heard more words vibrate loudly within my inner man. The voice said, "Isaiah 49: 24 to 25."

These last words woke me up. (Jeannette had the inspiration to stand before the throne of grace and repent of the sins in her life before she prayed for her daughter.)

Every night with new expectation, Bud and I decreed the Isaiah 49 scriptures for Stacie, along with some others I had found.... One week later Stacie moved home. ^{3 pg.11-12}

Jeannette Strauss writes about Matthew 5:25. I use to wonder what it meant that I should "settle matters quickly with my adversary." Then, after learning of the Courtroom and how the adversary takes us to the Courtroom, I had an understanding of this scripture. Now if the enemy should come to me an accuse me of anything, I no longer waste time rebuking or binding him. I immediately go to the Lord and repent and ask forgiveness for any sins I may have committed.... If the enemy wants to torment you or accuse you in any way, don't waste time with him-take it to the Judge and get it settled. This will defeat the demonic accuser, turn the tables on him and settle the case out of court. 3 pg.87

Can plunder be taken from a warrior, or captives rescued from a tyrant?

Thus says the Lord, Yes, captives can be taken from a warrior, and plunder rescued from a tyrant; those who oppose you I will oppose and your children I will save. Isaiah 49:24-25

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Jeannette Straus has an excellent youtube video with the best explanation of this type of prayer:

Jeannette Strauss From the Courtroom of Heaven to the Throne of Grace and Mercy.

Robert Henderson as a guest on *Sid Roth It's Supernatural* discusses aspects that are not on the sheet. He now has three shows each one teaches a different concept. Go to his sidroth.org and find tv archives. *[I highly recommend you watch them.]

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This is an outline of Robert Henderson's notes with many scripture references. There are many youtube videos of Robert Henderson. http://releasingkings.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/2016-02-13-Courts-of-Heaven.pdf

Excerpts from prayers in Receiving Healing from the Courts of Heaven (book number 7 above)

Lord, I repent from anytime I have purposely made a trade or deals with the demonic. I repent of any covenants created by these trades. I ask that these trades be annulled by the blood of Jesus. Lord, I repent for anytime my ancestors made a trade with demonic powers. I want nothing to do with this. Lord I give up and give back anything I have gained from any trade with demonic powers. I don't want any success, prosperity or blessing that came from them.

Lord Jesus, we declare that we and our bloodlines belong to You. Any and every dedication made to the devil of our family line we now ask to be annulled by the blood of Jesus. We repent of any and every place we were dedicated to satanic powers through sacrifice. We ask these sacrifices to be annulled and the dedication rendered ineffective.

We also, Lord Jesus, invite the power of the Holy Spirit to exercise now Your Lordship in our lives. Every area of our lives we surrender to you. We belong only to the Lord Jesus Christ. Any and all sickness, diseases, and pains afflicting us because of this previous "ownership" is now revoked and removed! We receive the healing that is ours because of the offering of the blood and body of Jesus. We now exclusively belong to Jesus. No others have a claim on us. We are the Lord Jesus Christ's.