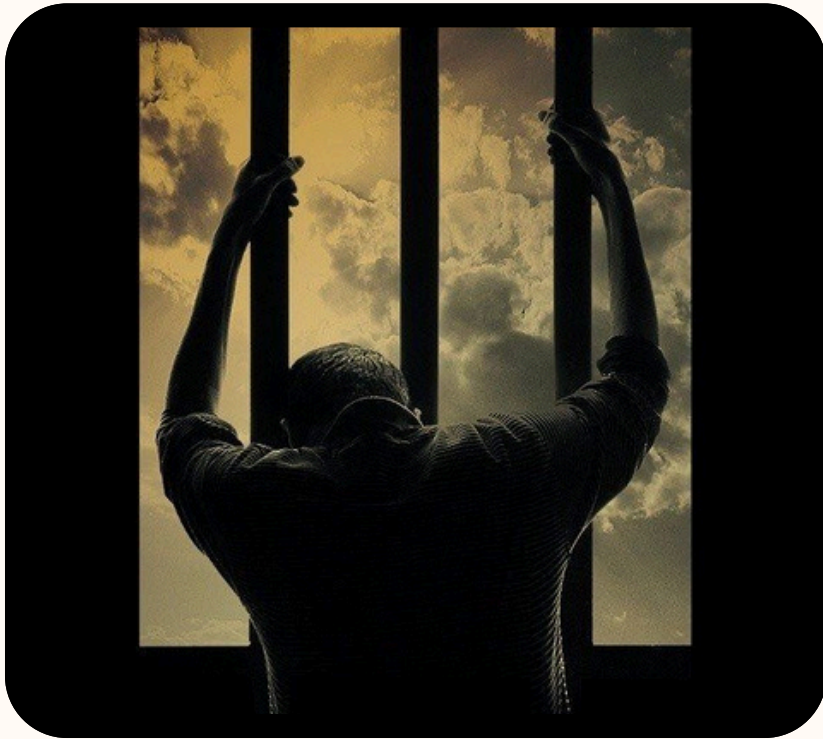




REMEMBER THOSE IN PRISON



Key Scripture: Hebrews 13 v 3

“Remember those who are in prison, as if you were their fellow prisoner, and those who are mistreated, since you also are in the body [and subject to physical suffering]. (AMP)

What is a Prison?

A prison could be described as an enclosed place where people are legally held—either as punishment for a crime or while awaiting trial. Not all persons in prison have been found guilty. Oftentimes a lot are awaiting trial. To await trial means a person has been arrested but not yet judged in court of law as guilty to a crime, and by law, they are still presumed innocent until proven guilty.

This understanding is important because this shapes how we see those in prison—not merely as offenders, but as human beings at different stages of justice, many are still in need of fair hearing, mercy, and truth to acquit them of the charges brought against them. Likewise, others may be serving sentences for actions they r deeply regret doing.

The Prison is not just a physical structure; it is also a place of emotional pain, isolation, and brokenness. As believers, we are called to look beyond the surface and respond with discernment and compassion. Instead of quick judgment, we must carry a heart that seeks understanding, recognising that everyone carries value and the potential for redemption because Jesus died for all and salvation is Gods gift to very human being.

How does the Bible see those in Prison?

The Bible reveals that imprisonment is not always a sign of wrongdoing but also recorded how faithful servants of God experienced prison just for standing for the kingdom of God. For instance, the prophet Jeremiah was beaten and confined because he delivered God’s message. Also, John the Baptist was imprisoned for confronting the adultery of King Herod of Judea. These examples remind us that prison can sometimes be a place where the righteousness is tested & tried rather than assuming everyone in prison deserves it because they are criminal guilty are being punished. This is why God instructs us in Hebrews 13:3 to remember those in prison, as though we were there with them.

This is a call to empathy, to stand in spiritual solidarity, to remember those locked up in prison and forgotten by the world.



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Our Responsibility as Intercessors

As intercessors, we are called to stand in the gap for others—especially those who cannot speak, fight, or pray effectively for themselves. Those in prison often fall into this category; some are broken, forgotten while still waiting for justice. Our role is not passive; it is active, intentional, and spiritual.

As Intercessors, we are called to carry them in the place of prayer & intercession. In line with Hebrews 13:3, we are to remember those in prison as though we are there with them. This means praying with empathy—feeling their situation, lifting their burdens, and asking God to intervene in their lives. We pray for justice for those awaiting trial, for mercy and repentance for those who have done wrong, and for strength for those who feel hopeless.

Secondly, we are called to align with God's plan of redemption & restoration through Christ Jesus. No life is beyond the redemption! As intercessors, we do not pray from a place of judgment but from a place of grace. We ask God to transform hearts, renew minds, and bring true freedom—even within the prison walls.

Intercession is not silence; it is spiritual advocacy. We stand before God on behalf of others, declaring His promises, speaking life, and contending for breakthrough.

According to Isaiah 61:1-3, God's desire is to proclaim liberty to the captives. As intercessors, we partner with God for this mission through consistent, faith-filled prayer.

Conclusion

As intercessors, we must enforce the finished work of Jesus Christ. We do not pray from weakness—we pray from authority, knowing that liberty has already been secured according to Isaiah 61:1-3. We stand in the gap to declare justice, release mercy, and break every spiritual captivity. Our intercession is alignment with God's will—calling forth freedom, restoration, and transformation over every life in prison. The prison walls cannot limit God. As we pray, chains are broken, hearts are changed, and God's purpose prevails even in the walls of the prison.