



## UNDERSTANDING ALTARS (1)

### THEME SCRIPTURE

""Gen 22 v9 – (Amplified) “When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood, and bound Isaac his son and placed him on the altar, on top of the wood”

### WHAT IS AN ALTAR?

Abraham honoured God by building an altar and named it, Jacob his grandson also did the same (Genesis 12 v8; Genesis 35 v3). After many years it became a memorial that transcends generations. From these scriptures, altars could be defined as a platform or a place of contact or exchange where the spirit realm makes contact with the physical realm. It is a place of opportunity to connect with the spirit realm based on a legal ground. For an altar to be, there must be a human being, a spiritual element/realm in connection with each other consistently. It is interesting to note that you don't have to be aware that an altar exists for you to experience the impact of the altar.

In addition, an altar is a place of authorization because it is a place of contact between the spirit realm and the physical world, it thus grants access for the spiritual to influence the physical. This is why when we pray consistently, we establish an altar of prayer with us as the human element and the spirit of God in contact with each other. On the altar, we authorize things from the realm of the spirit into the physical realm as it is written by God.

### WHY WE MUST UNDERSTAND ALTARS

It's important for us to understand the concept of altars because it is where we authorize God's will, continue the reign of the kingdom of God on earth and discontinue that which is not in alignment with the will of God on earth. Hallelujah!



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The opening scripture (Gen 22:9) shows that altars are places of encounter with God built to honour God, built as an act of worship to God. Altars are important because they speak across generations, we could see in Gen 35 v3, Jacob experienced God on the same altar that his grandfather Abraham built years before he was born. Even though Jacob slept at that place unaware it was an altar, the altar was still speaking even after Abraham has long gone.

This implies that altars are transgenerational! (Gen 35v 4; Gen 12v 7). Know that idea of altars did not come from the devil rather they are God's idea and a means for God to relate with man (Genesis 8 v20). Altars represent a substitute for the distance in fellowship between God and man that the sin of Adam & Eve had created. Altars are for the advantage of the children of men. God's idea was not for altars to work against his children but the devil set up a counterfeit to the original plan that God intended for the purpose of altars.

In conclusion we must take advantage of the reality of altars, as we have been called to destroy the works of the kingdom of darkness and establish God's will. We do this by destroying demonic alters and building Kingdom Altars.

### Further reading:

**Exodus 24 v2; Numbers 22 v 1-23, Hebrews 13 v15, Genesis 12 v7, Genesis 22 v9, Genesis 35 v 3, Genesis 13 v5 &18, 1 Peter 2 v5**