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Theme Scripture: Isa 62 v 6-7 "Oh Jerusalem, I have stationed intercessors on your walls who will never be silent, day or night. You "reminders" of Yahweh, take no rest, and tirelessly give God no rest, until he firmly establishes Jerusalem and makes her the praise of all the earth!"

Our opening scripture reveals that it is the Lord that stationed intercessors to watch over Jerusalem. Other translations used words like gatekeepers/guards /intercessors/watchmen interchangeably.

Understanding The Office of the Gatekeeper(Ephesians 1 v19-23)

Gatekeepers are Intercessors who pray for God's will to be fulfilled on earth as it is in heaven. In other words, intercession is the duty we carry out as gatekeepers. We must understand that intercession does not come before a gatekeeper. Anyone could be assigned as a gate keeper to do many things, such as we see in chronicles where some gatekeepers were assigned to clean, but our role is to intercede for nations and kingdoms. Remember the Bible says, I have set intercessors on your wall, oh Jerusalem. So, what you are doing at the wall of the gates is to intercede!

▪ The Position of the Gatekeeper

The gatekeeper is seated with Christ! This means we are in Christ! We are operating from a place called Christ. We are seated with Christ in heavenly places far above names, above powers, above rulers, above thrones, above things that are named, above things that is yet to be named. What a place to be! This is the position of the gatekeeper, Hallelujah!
No matter the condition we must remain high.

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The devil cannot bring us down and we must not fall for the deceit of the wicked one to bring us down. We must stay high in the place called Christ! Our strength and source is from God. Even when there is a shaking, we do not panic because our place in Christ is intact. We are staying high (in Christ), seated in heavenly places. There is stability where we come from. Glory to God!

▪ The Power/Authority of the Gatekeeper

The scripture tells us in verse 19 of Ephesians 1; about the power that is made available to us. The power we have is the same power that raised Jesus from the dead and has kept him seated at the right hand of God. Jesus is sitting in a place of authority, far above all principalities, powers and might, dominion and every name that is named in the earth.

If we say we are staying high, on what ground are we staying high? We are staying high far above principalities, powers and might, dominion and every name that is named in the earth. I am staying high above them, seated with Christ. Jesus is not on earth currently; we are the ones on earth. Jesus transferred his authority to us for the assignment (to carry on God's will on earth. (Luke 10 v 19)).

▪ The Gatekeeper and Partner?

The Holy spirit is our partner. We are partnering with the Holy Spirit because he is the one on earth. In John 14 v16, Jesus Christ promised to send us the helper that is the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is working in and with us to carry out the role of the gatekeeper. He will never leave nor abandon us, he is our comforter, counsellor, guardian, instructor, and our strength as gatekeepers. The Holy Spirit is the one to work with us here on earth to carry out our assignment. We are not partnering with Jesus because Jesus is not on earth, it is the Holy Spirit that is the one we are in partnership with. He is not in heaven; the Holy Spirit now lives in us (John 14 v17). Do you not know where he lives? You are the temple of the Holy Spirit. This body is what you are using to keep the Holy Spirit on earth. Praise the Lord! So, who can be closer to you than the person living inside of you?



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▪ Tools/ Resources for the Gatekeeper

For the gatekeeper to be effective in carrying out every role given, the appropriate tools or resources must be made available. What are these tools?

1. The name of Jesus: The name of Jesus has been given to us to exercise the authority of heaven on earth. (Philippians 2 v9-11)
2. The word of God (Hebrews 4 v12).
3. Ministry of Angels; The angels of the Lord has been assigned to us to fulfil our assignment. Hebrews 11v4 shows us these are ministering spirits sent to us inheritors of salvation. These angels are working to carry out our instructions as gatekeepers that intercede.
4. Elements of the earth (Romans 8 v19).

In Conclusion,

A gatekeeper must live and work in full awareness of her partner (the Holy spirit) and her tools in order to effectively fulfil her assignment.

The work of God must prevail, how can you sleep and miss the prayer watch?

Therefore, awake you who slumber and Christ would give you light. (Ephesians 5 v14). Stay high in Christ and remain standing on your watch at the gates praying.