

THIRD HEAVEN: WHERE GOD IS ON HIS THRONE & JESUS IS SEATED NEXT TO HIM

- 2 Corinthians 12:2–3 (ESV) 2 I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. 3 And I know that this man was caught up into paradise—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows
 - a. Romans 8:34 Jesus seated at God's Right handb. Eph. 1 & 2 Given all spiritual blessings in heavenly places and we have joint seating with Christ

FIRST HEAVEN (EARTH): THE HEAVENS AND EARTH MENTIONED IN GENESIS 1

- a. Psalm 8 God made the earth and put man in charge of His creation
- b. Psalm 24:1–2 (NLT) 1 The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it. The world and all its people belong to him. 2 For he laid the earth's foundation on the seas and built it on the ocean depths.
- c. Jesus broke the headship of Satan in the Earth realm and established a government (church) to rule.

SECOND HEAVEN: WHERE EPH. 6 POWERS AND PRINCIPALITIES OPERATE

- a. Ephesians 2:2 (NIV) 2 in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient.
- b. John 12:31, 14:30, 16:11 Satan "ruler of world"
- c. A demonic hierarchy is established working against us and God to gain access in the earth; powers, principalities and spiritual wickedness

HOW SATAN'S HIERARCHY GAINS LEGAL ACCESS TO BLOCK GOD'S WILL IN THE EARTH LEV. 18; DEUT 29; JER 16:18....

- Shedding of innocent blood; Children's lives destroyed
- Idolatry & Worship of other gods.
- Sexual Perversion & Immorality; Homosexuality;
 Bestiality; Incest
- Opening Gates to Occultic Involvement
- Perversion of Justice: Calling Wrong Right
- Oppressing the Poor

Angels Perform His Word

Psalm 103:19-22 (AMP)

19 The Lord has established His throne in the heavens, and His kingdom rules over all. 20 Bless (affectionately, gratefully praise) the Lord, you His angels, you mighty ones who do His commandments, hearkening to the voice of His word. 21 Bless (affectionately, gratefully praise) the Lord, all you His hosts, you His ministers who do His pleasure. 22 Bless the Lord, all His works in all places of His dominion; bless (affectionately, gratefully praise) the Lord, O my soul!

Chuck Pierce "Worship Warrior"

"Worship produces a strong influence in the invisible world. When God is glorified, His power and His light increase proportionately Simultaneously, the forces of darkness in the invisible world can be pushed back and weakened through worship so that they will have less probability of obstructing the purposes of God her on Earth. It is at this point that worship can become a powerful weapon of spiritual warfare"

WARFARE WORSHIP SILENCES THE ENEMY

Matthew 21:15–16 ¹⁵ But when the chief priests and the teachers of the law saw the wonderful things he did and the children shouting in the temple courts, "Hosanna to the Son of David," they were indignant. 16 "Do you hear what these children are saying?" they asked him. "Yes," replied Jesus, "have you never read, " 'From the lips of children and infants you, Lord, have called forth your praise'?"

 Psalm 8:2 From the lips of children and infants you have ordained praise because of your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger.

WARFARE WORSHIP BRINGS PROVISION

- 2 Kings 3:1-16
- Kings of Judah, Israel and Edom were fighting against
 The King of Moab when they found themselves in the
 Desert without water. They call for the prophet Elisha
- 2 Kings 3:15–16 (NIV) 15 But now bring me a harpist." <u>While the harpist was playing</u>, the hand of the Lord came on Elisha 16 and he said, "This is what the Lord says: I will fill this valley with pools of water.

2 Chronicles 20:1-24

Jehoshaphat is filled with fear

- 2 Chronicles 20:12 Our God, will you not judge them?
 For we have no power to face this vast army that is attacking us. We do not know what to do, but our eyes are on you."
 - 2 Timothy 1:7 for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control.

2 Chronicles 20:17-18 You will not have to fight this

battle. Take up your positions; stand firm and see the deliverance the Lord will give you, Judah and Jerusalem. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged. Go out to face them tomorrow, and the Lord will be with you." Jehoshaphat bowed down with his face to the ground, and all the people of Judah and Jerusalem fell down in worship before the Lord. ¹⁹ Then some Levites from the Kohathites and Korahites stood up and praised the Lord, the God of Israel, with a very loud voice.

• 2 Chronicles 20:20–21 (NIV) ²⁰ Early in the morning they left for the Desert of Tekoa. As they set out, Jehoshaphat stood and said, "Listen to me, Judah and people of Jerusalem! Have faith in the Lord your God and you will be upheld; have faith in his prophets and you will be successful." ²¹ After consulting the people, Jehoshaphat appointed men to sing to the Lord and to praise him for the splendor of his holiness as they went out at the head of the army, saying: "Give thanks to the Lord, for his love endures forever."

- 2 Chronicles 20:22–23 (NLT) At the very moment they began to sing and give praise, the Lord caused the armies of Ammon, Moab, and Mount Seir to start fighting among themselves. 23 The armies of Moab and Ammon turned against their allies from Mount Seir and killed every one of them. After they had destroyed the army of Seir, they began attacking each other.
 - 2 Chronicles 20:25 (NLT) There was so much plunder that it took them three days just to collect it all!

WARFARE WORSHIP BRINGS SUPERNATURAL DELIVERANCE

ACTS 16:16-28 Paul and Silas are in the inner prison in stocks

Acts 16:25–26 About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them, ²⁶ and suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken. And immediately all the doors were opened, and everyone's bonds were unfastened.

WORSHIP AND WARFARE GO TOGETHER

Psalm 149:6-9

⁶ Let the praises of God be in their mouths, and a sharp sword in their hands— ⁷ to execute vengeance on the nations and punishment on the peoples, 8 to bind their kings with shackles and their leaders with iron chains, 9 to execute the judgment written against them. This is the glorious privilege of his faithful ones. Praise the Lord!