

INSTRUCTIONS IN RIGHTEOUSNESS

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Standing in the Breach

A breach is a tear, a rip, or a break. It is a military word and can be used to describe a gaping hole in a city wall that was created by a bomb blast. A breach can also be used to describe a great chasm in the earth that suddenly opened up during a violent earthquake. Relationships that once were tight can be blown apart and people who were close can suddenly find themselves at odds with one another. Husbands can be separated from wives, children from parents, brothers from brothers and lifelong friendships can fall apart. The worst breach is a result of curse-causing sins. An uncrossable gap can form between an individual or a nation and God. Isaiah 59:2 says, "Your sin has separated you from your God." Unless someone stands in the breach, judgment and pain are unavoidable.

In ancient times, the Jewish people frequently turned their backs on God and an uncrossable breach was formed. Psalm 106 tells us that the Jews were guilty of much more than hardness of heart. At times, they completely rejected God, entertained perversions, adopted the customs of wicked nations, and even killed their own sons and daughters by offering them as sacrifices to demon gods.

We read, "So he [God] said he would destroy them—had not Moses, his chosen one, stood in the <u>breach</u> before him to keep his wrath from destroying them. Ps. 106:23

Moses, the intercessor, stood in the breach and mercy triumphed over judgment. Today, someone must stand in the breach for America.

The cup of poison and judgment over the USA is full and curse-causing sins abound because of abortion, corruption, sexual perversion, racism and greed. The battle lines have been drawn and God's people are being called to stand in the breach!

Recently, 4 hurricanes, including Gustav and Ike, hit the coastal regions of the USA. This time, the federal and local governments were more prepared than they were when Katrina hit three years before. I know the church has become more prepared as well.

The forecasters warned of life threatening catastrophes but it turned out that few lives were lost in comparison to what happened with Katrina. God's hand was extended as saints stood in the breach and cried out for mercy. Thousands of lives were saved.

On the political front, the nation was shocked when John Mc Cain announced Sarah Palin as his running mate. She is a sign of the times. We are in a spiritual battle and God is turning up the heat. Twenty-five years ago, a candidate's personal faith was not a main factor in the presidential elections. These days, each election is more of a spiritual battle than the one before. Sarah Palin is a sign that God has not forsaken the USA. Her coming to the ticket tells us that God's hand is still outstretched over America. God's people have been standing in the breach.

Everyone who is able, should vote in November. I cannot tell you who to vote for, but I encourage you to vote for someone who is prolife, pro-family, one who cares for the poor and stands for God's end-time blessings over Israel.

Besides voting, we must stand in the breach. There is a chasm that is growing wider because of the curse-causing sins in this nation. The Lord is calling us to agree with Him in prayer so that His mercy may displace judgment.

We read, "I [God] looked for a man [or woman] ... who would build up the wall and stand in the gap—so I would not have to destroy the land." Eze. 22:30

The Lord is calling people to build the wall and stand in the breach. He seeks partners to turn the tide of sin and judgment over the land. The gap in the wall can be repaired but it will require revival. It is time to stand in the breach!

If God's people who are called by His name will humble themselves, turn from their wicked ways and pray, then He will heal the land. We can pray for mercy and love to be poured out in the power of the Holy Spirit. God answers prayer!

God loves people so He looks for prayer partners. That is how He releases His blessings over people. We cannot do everything but if we follow the leading of the Holy Spirit our prayers will not fall to the ground.

What about our children?

Every believer is called to stand in the breach for their family and friends. Some of our dear friends will not make it unless we stand in the gap for them.

Parents and grandparents:

Your children need you to stand in the breach for them. My wife and I had to stand in the breach for our children.

One night, when my daughter Elizabeth was a teen, she went to a Christian music event with our youth group. The event was a couple of hours drive away. It was late when they decided to return home. I went to bed and the Lord gave me an insightful dream. In the dream, Elizabeth was walking through an old abandoned warehouse. The huge room had puddles of water on the floor and broken pieces of concrete everywhere. Suddenly, I saw a spotted leopard stalking her from the corner of the room. I called out to her from my vantage point, high above. As she started to come toward me, her foot went down in a puddle and became stuck between two pieces of

busted cement. I ran down the broken stairs and crossed the room to where she was. I worked her foot loose but she could not walk. Quickly, I lifted her up in my arms and carried her out of harms way. Then I woke up.

Elizabeth had not returned home so I began to pray for her. I stood in the breach and called out to God for His protection and mercy. One hour later she returned home.

She told me a frightful story about a car that followed her car. The driver turned off his lights and tailgated her. She could not get free until she came to the highway exit, near our home. The next day, we heard that this happened to other cars but a bullet was fired into the back of the other cars. The devil was attacking Elizabeth; the leopard in my dream wanted to kill her.

The devil was defeated because Lizzy had a Father in heaven who was watching over her and a daddy on earth who stood in the breach.

You will be called to stand in the breach for your family, friends and nation. When this happens, a great honor is bestowed on you because God is choosing you to partner with Him. You will be blessed! AQ

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