

Michael Youssef Encourages Believers to Include This Element in Prayer

The updated and expanded 20th anniversary edition book, *Empowered By Praise: Experiencing God's Presence and Power When You Give Him Glory* written by bestselling author Dr. Michael Youssef, was just released on Sept. 7, 2021, and is changing the way people pray.

In his book, Youssef provides new insights on ways to worship God through prayer. By including praise in daily prayer, Youssef argues, individuals are forced to see who God is in all His glory and adjust their prayers accordingly.

"Your praises will lead you to pray bold prayers," Youssef says. "And when you do, God will respond by empowering you with His Holy Spirit so you are strengthened to demonstrate the power of God. Praise leads to faith, which leads to boldness in prayer, which leads to an outpouring of God's Spirit, which leads to confidence and boldness in action. Praise becomes our solid footing in the face of evil, establishing our hearts so that we cannot be tossed about by ill winds."

Youssef adds, "Praise empowers our prayers and also builds up our faith so that when we make our petitions before God, we pray with expectancy and confidence that we will receive God's best."

The result of this newfound look at prayer, Youssef believes, is that the individual will feel compelled to continue worshipping God through ministry. Once a person is filled with awe and wonder of the power of Christ, the result inevitably will lead to that person committing to more service opportunities.

“The ultimate expression of praise to God is found in the way we live our lives,” Youssef says. “A life that is obedient to the Lord—to His written commandments and to the daily guidance of the Holy Spirit—is a life of praise.

“Start praising God today, and I guarantee you’ll never be the same again. Start praising God today, and you’ll never want to stop!”

Youssef’s *Empowered by Praise* will guide readers into a richer understanding of admiration for God by showing new ways to give Him glory.

As a beautiful devotional, *Empowered by Praise* features a study guide for individuals and groups. The new, updated book helps readers deepen their wisdom in praising God and energizes their daily practice of praise through practical, easy-to-understand steps. *Empowered By Praise: Experiencing God’s Presence and Power When You Give Him Glory* can be pre-ordered **here**. {eoa}

Dr. Michael Youssef was born in Egypt and lived in Lebanon and Australia before coming to the United States and fulfilling a childhood dream of becoming an American citizen. He holds degrees from Moore College in Sydney, Australia, and Fuller Theological Seminary in California, with a Ph.D. in social anthropology from Emory University. He founded The Church of The Apostles which was the launching pad for Leading The Way’s international ministry. Dr. Youssef has authored more than 50 books, including popular titles like *Saving Christianity?* and *Hope for This Present Crisis*.

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