



Prayer Walking Chapter 1

Praying On Site with Insight

Book Study



Praying On-Site With Insight

Across the globe God is stirring ordinary believers to pray persistently while walking their cities' street by street. Some use rather well-arranged plans. Others flow with Spirit-given prompts. Their prayers run the gamut from lofty appeals to pinpoint petitions, ranging beyond their own homes to their neighbors. It's hard to stop there, so most of them eventually burst into prayers for the entire campus or city or nation.

Most of these pray-ers don't imagine themselves to be just bravely holding flickering candles toward an overwhelming darkness. Rather, long fuses are being lit for anticipated explosions of God's love.

Everyday believers are praying ever day, house by house, in their neighborhoods.



A New Word: Prayerwalking

Many people have begun to use a new word to describe the recent burst of citywide intercession. Yet to walk while praying is probably not a new activity, though it seems different from the well-known formats of prayer. The rising interest is so substantial that it can only help to add a new word to our vocabulary: prayerwalking. We define prayerwalking simply as praying on-site with insight.



How Does Prayerwalking Help?

- Thaw the ice
- Overcome fear
- Contend with evil
- Progress in Prayer



A Phenomenal Move of God

- Independent Start-ups
- Recent Exploding Movements
- Diverse styles with a common agenda
- No Standardizing style



Clarifying the Concept of Prayerwalking

Prayerwalking is just what it sounds like it would be: walking while praying,. But since there are many kinds of walks and several sorts of prayer, it will help to define the word prayerwalk in a sharp, narrow sense which fits the experience of most practicing prayerwalkers around the world. We define prayerwalking as praying on-site with insight.



The Definition in its parts

Praying

Directed intercessory praying

Intentional Praying

On-Site

With Insight



Insight for Prayer Comes in 3 ways

Responsive Insight

Researched Insight

Revealed Insight



Prayerwalking Does Not Stand Alone

The great value of prayerwalking is that it leads to other Kingdom activities, not the least of which is more prayer of every kind.

Ekklesia could and should spring up from prayerwalking efforts.

People tend to pursue what they have prayed for. People tend to be involved with what they have seen. These two motivational activities are brought together in prayerwalking. Who knows what God may do in our lives as we behold our cities with praying eyes.



Christ as Guide and Goal

Prayerwalking is abundantly simple: You are walking with Jesus.

As you set your heart's direction to seek Jesus, you will find freedom to enjoy your privilege in prayer. If the program of prayerwalking distracts you from Jesus, your steps will fall leaden to the ground, and your busy life will be encumbered by yet another wearisome complication. But you won't be disappointed if you walk with the simple desire for more of Christ for your city.

You are walking in promised places with the Lord of all the earth. As you go with him in prayer, confidence grows that he will soon fulfill all the purpose in his heart for your city. Jesus is waking your city for God.