

DIRECTIONS FOR TEACHING HOW TO CLAIM PROMISES

In the study of **Living Volume One and Two: Living and Growing in the “YES” of God**, we learned how to pray the **Prayer of Reception**, which is part of the Prayer of Faith, and have been greatly blessed as we have claimed the promises of God and received His gifts. Blessings are enjoyed best when they are shared with others.

The following suggested procedure has been used successfully in teaching others how to pray the **Prayer of Reception**.

1. Following the **Sevenfold Approach to Christian Witnessing and Counseling** found in Chapter Eight of **Living Volume Two: Growing in the “YES” of God**, particularly inspiring hope through acceptance and encouragement. This will be of special help in case there is any mental depression in the person who has sought your help.
2. Tell experiences of your own or ones you have read or heard regarding answers to Receptive Prayer.
3. Place a piece of paper and a pencil in the hands of the counselee.
4. While you are opening the Bible to **John 14:26**, invite the counselee to kneel with you to claim the promise for the Holy Spirit “to teach you all things.”
5. After this prayer, go over all conditions to claiming promises (**Living Volume Two: Growing in the “YES” of God** – Chapter Three) and the recommended procedure. Use the Bible as a textbook and have the counselee write the conditions down.
6. Claim a promise that is the solution to his problem with Bible open and finger on the text. (If you have difficulty finding a promise relating to the problem, claim the promise for wisdom in **James 1:5**, and use a concordance and other reference sources to find it).
7. Rise from your knees and express “magnetic hopefulness” that they now have the answer to their problem and they will recognize it when they need it most.
8. Remind them that they must claim this promise 3 times a day.
9. Wait about 2 or 3 days, or as the Spirit leads, and then go and see them and hear of their wonderful experiences.
10. Encourage them at the end of your latest visit to attend a class you will start and share their experiences and gain more knowledge about claiming Bible promises. Tell them that you have just given them a start on the road to the most rewarding experience they can ever have... **Living and Growing in the “Yes” of God.**