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Dear Friends.

As I am writing this, the first few weeks of 2020 have already passed. Maybe you started off this year full of good intentions: to eat healthier, exercise more often, take more time to read your Bible and to pray.

But perhaps, after a week or two, you have to admit that you weren't able to keep to your intentions. In that case, this magazine may have arrived just in time to encourage you to not give up. Real, lasting change takes time and perseverance.

This powerful insight is one of the things that stood out for me when I reflected on Derek's teaching about the importance of prayer and fasting (see page 6). You and I may not always see the answer to our prayers immediately, but the Lord will respond in due time!

Persevering in holding on to God's promises through the proclamation of His Word, is an instrument that can help bring about lasting changes. Because it is such a powerful tool in the hands of a believer, I invite you to read the article on page 3.

What's more, to inspire you to proclaim God's Word in every situation you face we are giving away a free set of proclamation cards loaded with Bible verses for every life situation for a gift of any amount.

In the coming weeks, you can use these proclamations as a spiritual weapon to shape your faith story.

Another spiritual weapon is the word of your testimony (Revelation 12:11). To help you share your testimony of faith, we are giving away free copies of The Divine Exchange that you can give away to non-believers. Read more about it on page 11.

Finally, thank you so much for supporting and praying for our outreaches in 2019 - I invite you to see for yourself what your generosity made possible by turning to pages 4-5.

With much appreciation,



Neil Cornick UK Director



Derek Prince Ministries (DPM) is an international ministry with over 45 national and outreach offices in different parts of the world.

Our mission is to make Derek Prince's Bible teaching available to spiritually hungry Christians through books, audio-visual resources, digital media and websites in over 100 languages - especially in countries where there is persecution and poverty.

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HOW TO PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD IN EVERY SITUATION



Did you know that many Christians today are unaware of one of the most powerful weapons at their disposal for responding to life's challenges or crisis situations? This weapon is proclaiming God's Word and experiencing the tremendous power that is released as a result.

Throughout his life Derek Prince practised proclaiming God's Word in tough situations and taught a great deal about how you and I can do the same.

Recently I had the opportunity to encourage my children and an elderly friend to proclaim God's Word.

The first occasion was when I heard on the news recently that Israel was under heavy attack. Within 48 hours hundreds of missiles were launched from Gaza, without any protest from the international community.

While proclaiming God's protection over Israel using one of Derek's proclamation cards, I realised that my children should learn how to apply the power of God's Word in these situations, too.

So that evening, I shared with my sons some principles I had learnt from Derek's book, *Prayers and Proclamations*. Afterwards, I gave them the proclamation card about Israel and we proclaimed together God's Word for the protection of His people.

My sons accepted this activity as something you do as a Christian. So, I will use proclamation cards about spiritual warfare, mental and physical health, about God providing for our needs, more often with them.

The second occasion that got me thinking about the need to practise proclaiming God's Word over daily life situations came through a conversation with an elderly Christian friend.

She told me how one night she woke up because a heavy fear came over

her. Standing beside her bed she saw two dark figures standing, looking down at her. She started screaming and turned on the light, which made them disappear.

The following night, a similar thing happened. The third night, she prepared herself. Before going to bed, she spoke out loud, 'Satan, you have no right to be here. I am not afraid of you because I belong to Jesus. He bought me with His precious blood. I'm commanding you to go, in the name of Jesus.' Since then, she had no more nightly visitations.

She experienced the power of proclamation and she asked me to send her a set of our proclamation cards to use daily as an armour of protection in her life.

What Derek Prince taught about the power of proclamation

Over their years together, Derek and his wife, Ruth, fought a continuing war against Satan, who opposed them and their ministry in different ways. The Holy Spirit led them to Scripture after Scripture and showed them how to direct them to each area of attack.

The strategy the Holy Spirit taught Derek and Ruth was:

- Firstly, proclaim the appropriate
 Scripture with unwavering confidence. To make this fully effective,
 they personalised the passages they
 quoted. For instance, where the Bible
 says, 'you,' they changed it in their
 proclamation to 'I,' 'we,' or 'us.'
- Secondly, they accepted the Scripture they proclaimed as true, even before they saw its actual outworking in any situation. The natural result of this was to thank God for it.
- This led to the third step: loud, jubilant praise. In Song of Solomon 6:4
 (NKJV), Solomon describes Christ's bride, the church, as awesome as an army with banners. Under these banners—Proclamation, Thanksgiving, and Praise—Derek and Ruth were able to drive out the hosts of darkness and enter into the freedom that God had appointed for them as His people.

You too can apply this strategy in your life and proclaim God's Word in the situations you find yourself in.

Joyce de Jongh, DPM-UK Communications Manager





To check out our range of proclamation cards visit: dpmuk.org/proclamations

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A YEAR IN REVIEW:

BECAUSE OF YOUR GENEROSITY AND YOUR PRAYERS...

Thank you so much for supporting our DPM outreaches in 2019.

Your gifts and prayers enabled our workers, ministry partners and volunteers to put Derek Prince's life-changing Bible teaching into the hands of hundreds of thousands of Christians who desperately need discipleship resources.

Here are just a few things you helped make possible:



You enabled us to seize new outreach opportunities in Israel.

God gave us an amazing opportunity to reach Russian speaking Jews in Israel and to equip their growing churches with Derek's books. Last April, Vazgen, our Director of Outreach in the former Soviet Republics, visited the Messianic congregation in Kefar Sava city and was able to bless them by giving them free resources.

Vazgen met with pastors in Israel and with the secretary of the International Christian Embassy in Jerusalem and distributed over 100 books by Derek Prince to them. Now, he is working with some of them to expand our outreach amongst Russian speaking Jews in Israel.



You helped provide spiritual encouragement to Ugandan soldiers in Somalia.

By giving to our fundraising appeals, you have enabled our workers to make Derek's teaching available to soldiers in countries like Ukraine, Nepal, Somalia and other places.

On one occasion our workers gave eight boxes of Derek's book Life-Changing Spiritual Power to Ugandan soldiers on mission in Somalia. When these soldiers went back to Uganda, they shared with our workers many testimonies of the fellowship they formed while studying and discussing Life-Changing Spiritual Power together.

You will be encouraged to hear that soldiers from other peace-keeping nations such as Burundi and Kenya are also benefitting from Derek's Bible teaching.

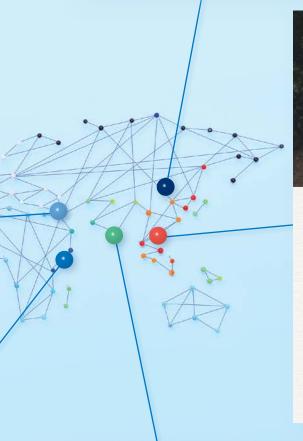




You equipped thousands of Chinese believers in the digital world.

In a time of increased persecution, by giving to our China outreach you have helped to increase the impact and effectiveness of our ministry by using digital channels to reach Chinese people where they are.

So far, over 22,000 Chinese speaking people from 62 countries are visiting our website regularly to read and download Derek's teaching in Chinese. And, through WeChat, the biggest online platform in China, we are teaching thousands of believers within China to draw closer to God every day.





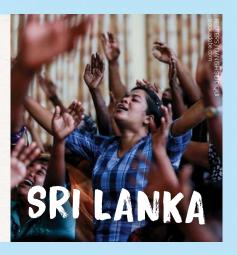
Thanks to you, our outreach workers brought hope to the prisons and slums of Cambodia.

One of the groups that has benefitted greatly from Derek's Khmer language teaching, are young people in the slums. Here is what a young volunteer said "I am working in a community feeding programme for slum children. I am so blessed and get lots of revelation from each of Derek's books I read. The Divine Exchange has showed me about God's love and what He has done on the cross. And, Authority and Power of God's Word, has given me answers to many questions I had. Derek's books have really strengthened my faith. I use his teaching in my church youth fellowship and other events in the slum where I serve every day."

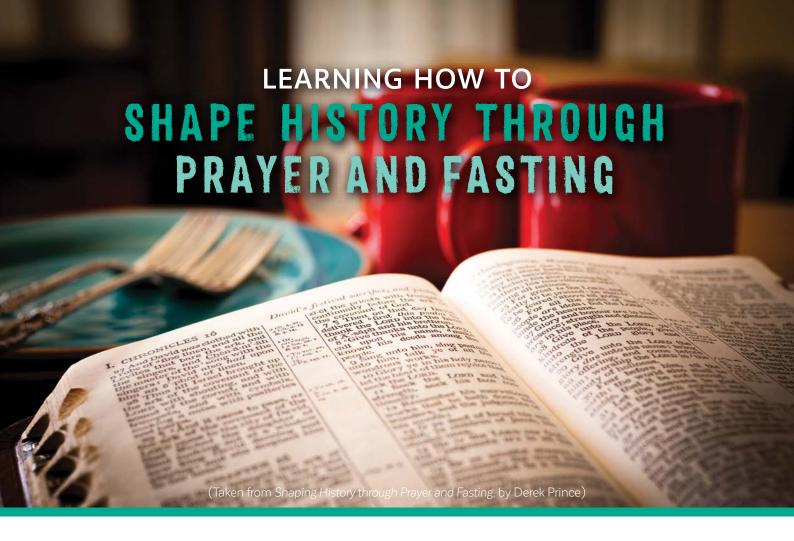
Thanks to your generosity, hundreds of pastors in Sri Lanka received training, books and SD cards filled with Bible teaching.

At one of the DPM training events at the Kandy Lighthouse Church in Sri Lanka, Pastor Kasun and his wife came forward and shared how Derek's teaching had opened their eyes to the idea of a believer standing in partnership with God and becoming a watchman over the nation.

They are now using the insights they received from Derek's teaching to train members of their church in spiritual warfare for the nation of Sri Lanka.



On behalf of all the pastors, believers and our workers everywhere, **THANK YOU** for joining forces with our DPM outreaches in combating spiritual poverty worldwide.



In the New Testament, we do not find any record that Jesus ever taught His disciples how to preach. But He did teach them how to pray. Every disciple of Jesus Christ should learn to pray effectively, not only for their own needs, but also for the needs of the world. Our prayers can shape history according to God's purposes.

God delights in your prayers

Many people have the attitude that God would rather not be bothered by us, by our needs, and by our prayers. In fact, nothing could be further from the scriptural picture of God. The Bible tells us in different ways of God's willingness to hear and answer our prayers.

In Proverbs 15:8, for example, we are told, The prayer of the upright is His [God's] delight. The Hebrew word translated 'delight' is a strong word that indicates great pleasure and keen interest. When we approach God in prayer, He does not merely tolerate us—He actively delights in our prayer. He is not wearied or offended by our praying. He loves to hear us.

God wants you to pray

In the New Testament, we find many Scriptures emphasizing the fact that God wants us to pray and receive exactly what we pray for. Anything less than that is below the will of God. In all the teachings of Jesus, nothing is more strongly emphasized than God's willingness to answer our prayers.

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus made six successive statements, all reinforcing the same truth, Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened (Matthew 7:7–8). (See also Matthew 21:22, Mark 11:24, John 14:13–14, John 15:7, and John 16:24.)

Make time to read these passages through for yourself several times. If possible, commit them to memory. Dwell on them in moments of private meditation. Allow them to create an

altogether positive attitude of faith in you as you approach God in prayer.

Fasting intensifies prayer

In Matthew 6:1–18, Christ gave instructions to His disciples on three related duties: charitable giving, praying, and fasting. In each case, He placed His main emphasis on the motive and warned against religious ostentation for the sake of impressing men. With this qualification, He assumed that all His disciples would practise all three of these duties. This is indicated by the language He used concerning each.

Fasting is endorsed not merely by the teaching of Jesus, but also by His personal example. Immediately after being baptized in the Jordan by John the Baptist, Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit to spend forty days fasting in the wilderness: Then Jesus, being filled with the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, being tempted for forty days by the devil. And in those days He ate nothing, and afterward, when they had ended, He was hungry. (Luke 4:1–2)

The record says that Jesus did not eat at all during these forty days, but it does not say that He did not drink. Also, it says, He was hungry, but it does not say He was thirsty. The probable inference is, therefore, that He abstained from food, but not from water. During this period of forty days, Jesus came into direct spiritual conflict with Satan. (See also Matthew 4:1–11; Mark 1:12–13.)

There is a significant difference in the expressions used by Luke to describe Jesus before and after His fast. At the beginning, in Luke 4:1, we read, Then Jesus, being **filled with** the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan. At the end, in Luke 4:14, we read, Then Jesus returned **in the power** of the Spirit to Galilee.

When Jesus went into the wilderness, He was already filled with the Holy Spirit. But when He came out again after fasting, He returned in the power of the Spirit. The power of the Holy Spirit, which Jesus received at the time of His baptism in the Jordan, came forth into full manifestation after He had completed His fast. Fasting was the final phase of preparation He had to pass before launching His public ministry.

The same spiritual laws that applied in Christ's ministry apply also in the ministry of His disciples. In John 14:12, Jesus said, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also. By these words, Jesus opened the way for His disciples to follow in the pattern of His own ministry. However, in John 13:16, Jesus also said, "A servant is not greater than his master; nor is he who is sent greater than he who sent him." This truth applies to the preparation for ministry. If fasting was a necessary part of Christ's own preparation, it must also play a part in the disciple's preparation.

How fasting works

In one sense, fasting is a form of mourning. David said, *I humbled myself with fasting* (Psalm 35:13). Psychologically, no one welcomes the thought of mourning, just as physically, no one welcomes the thought of fasting. Nevertheless, there are times when both mourning and fasting are beneficial.

When we consider our own failures and shortcomings as Christians, and when we look beyond ourselves at the misery and wickedness of the world, there is indeed cause for this kind of mourning. In 2 Corinthians 7:10, Paul contrasted the godly sorrow of the believer with the hopeless sorrow of the unbeliever: For godly sorrow produces repentance leading to salvation, not to be regretted; but the sorrow of the world produces death. Godly mourning of this kind is followed in due season by the "oil of joy" and the "garment of praise."

Dealing with the physical nature

Fasting is also a means by which a believer brings his body into subjection. In 1 Corinthians 9:27, Paul said, But I discipline my body and bring it into subjection, lest, when I have preached to others, I myself should become disqualified. Our bodies, with their physical organs and appetites, make wonderful servants but terrible masters. Thus, it is necessary to keep them always in subjection.

In Galatians 5:17, Paul laid bare the direct opposition that exists between the Holy Spirit of God and the physical nature of man, For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one other. Fasting deals with the two great barriers to the Holy Spirit that are created by man's physical nature. These are the stubborn self-will of the soul and the insistent, self- gratifying appetites of the body. Rightly practised, fasting brings both soul and body into subjection to the Holy Spirit.

It is important to understand that fasting changes man, not God. The Holy Spirit, being God, is both omnipotent and unchanging. Fasting breaks down those barriers in man's physical nature that would stand in the way of the Holy Spirit's omnipotence. With these barriers removed, the Holy Spirit can work unhindered in His fullness through our prayers.

Once more, let us note how Paul sought to express the inexhaustible potential of prayer: Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us... (Ephesians 3:20). Remember, the "power" that works in and through our prayers is the Holy Spirit. By removing the physical barriers, fasting makes a way for the Holy Spirit's omnipotence to work the "exceedingly abundantly above" of God's promises.



GUIDELINES FOR FASTING

Enter into fasting with positive faith.

God requires faith of this kind in all who seek Him. (Hebrews 11:6). If you determine to seek God diligently by fasting, you have a scriptural right to expect that God will reward you. (Matthew 6:18)

Remember: "Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God" (Romans 10:17).

Your fasting should be based upon the conviction that God's Word enjoins this as a part of normal Christian discipline.

Do not wait for some emergency to drive you to fasting.

It is better to begin fasting when you are spiritually up, rather than when you are down.

If you are fasting for the first time, omit one or two meals.

Then, gradually move on to longer periods, such as a day or two days. It is better to begin by setting a short period as your objective and achieving it.

During your fast, spend plenty of time studying the Bible.

The Psalms are particularly helpful. Read them aloud, identifying yourself with the prayers, the praises and the confessions contained in them.

It is often helpful to set certain specific objectives in your fasting.

Make a written list of these.

Avoid ostentation and boastfulness.

Apart from special periods of prayer or other spiritual activity, your life and conduct while fasting should be as normal and unpretentious as possible. (Matthew 6:16–18.)

8 Each time you fast, keep a watchful check on your motives.

Take time to read Isaiah 58:1–12 once again. Note the motives and attitudes that are pleasing, or displeasing, to God.









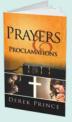
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DPM OUTREACHES

KEY PROJECTS FOR



China

As China continues to clampdown on the Church, our outreach team in 2020 will focus on uploading Derek's Bible teaching on USB devices for pastors, believers and underground church networks that desperately need discipleship resources.

Our challenge is packing all the Chinese materials of 35 years of ministry in China into one USB device and getting these devices to those who need them the most.

Also, we will continue to grow our digital presence while the door is still open. With your help, we will continue to translate, dub and upload as much online material in Chinese as we can, while it is still possible.



The Middle East

In addition to printing and distributing thousands of copies of Derek Prince's books we will be undertaking two new projects:

The first one is launching a short-term Bible school in a country closed to the Gospel based on *Self Study Bible* Course and *The Foundations series*.

During recent years many people got saved by listening to or reading Derek's teachings and they desperately need to be discipled. We expect 30 – 50 students on the first course and we hope to train and disciple hundreds more by the end of the year.

The second project is **offering training to Iranian pastors and evangelists**. We will be hosting training courses for them in a neighbouring country, helping them to study God's Word with us for a week and send them back with the resources they need for growing their churches and ministries in this troubled land.

Indian Subcontinent

We will continue to make Derek's teaching available to thousands of pastors and congregations across India, Sri Lanka, Nepal and elsewhere in the Indian Subcontinent.

Often many pastors in this region have very little education or understanding of Scriptures so in 2020 will continue to focus on hosting conferences and training events in different regions.

At these events pastors and evangelists can learn about the exchange at the Cross, the power of the Holy Spirit in a believer's life and how to engage in spiritual warfare.

And, we will put into their hands books and SD cards loaded with Derek's Bible teaching that they can use to dig deeper into God's Word and minister to others.



Eastern Europe

During the last 10 years there has been a revival amongst the Roma communities throughout Eastern Europe. Our outreach has been **providing free resources for Roma churches** and in 2020 we will focus on helping this rapidly growing church movement to impact even more lives.

Many Roma men are afflicted by gambling and alcoholism, and can be very superstitious, often engaging in idolatry.

They need discipleship resources like the Foundational Truths for Christian Living to help them to come to grips with the basics of Christian faith in a simple and straightforward way.

Roma pastors love using Derek's teaching to disciple new believers because it is practical and simple. That is why, with your help, we will be making more of it available to them.



North Africa

Our strategic priorities in 2020 will be to resource African immigrants from Sudan and Ethiopia who live in Egypt and who are very open to the Holy Spirit but do not have enough Bible teaching.

Also, we aim to continue to deliver Derek's books to Christians in 'closed' countries including South Sudan. Holding training courses for church leaders and producing radio programmes in English, Amharic and Arabic for them.



This year DPM-UK will start offering free online courses, based on Derek Prince's Bible teaching. Over the last few years, the DPM office in The Netherlands has been using the online courses as a strategic tool to equip Christians and many have benefited from it.

Paul Storms, DPM Netherlands Director, has been working with us to develop online courses in English and in this interview, he shares more about them.



Paul, your office launched their first online course in 2013. What was the course about and why did you launch it?

The first course was about *Husbands* and *Fathers*. As you know, Derek Prince always sought to impact people. He didn't want to pass on mere 'head knowledge' but tried to make it personal and practical. I believe that making his teaching available through online courses today is a very effective way of encouraging Christians to apply God's word to their everyday lives.

The feedback we receive from our DPM online course students shows that they really appreciate this dynamic way of learning.

Another reason why we launched online courses is that today most people tend to read less than a few years ago. Lots of people are no longer used to reading a book from the beginning to the end. When they need information, they search online.

So, we want to make Derek's teaching more fully available online so when they search for answers to life's questions, they can come across this teaching and hopefully engage with it.

Online courses are also an excellent way of reaching out to new Christians and, even seekers who are looking to find out more about God.

What are some of the benefits of digging deeper into the Bible through an online course?

Convenience and flexibility are the first things that come to my mind. Even with limited free time, you can now still dig deeper into God's Word and grow spiritually.

What if you have limited digital skills; could you still participate?

The good news is that no special digital skills are needed. After having created an account to access our DPM online courses at: https://courses.derekprince.com/, you will find that the courses are very user-friendly. However, some basic experience of working with computers is required in order to set up your account.

Can you share a bit more about the online courses available in 2020?

A completely revised online Self-Study Bible Course is ready now. This course has proven to be a blessing to millions of people worldwide.

Currently, we are developing a course on God's heart for Israel. While the Self-Study Bible Course by nature has an emphasis on reading Bible verses, this Israel course is a wonderful example of the new style of online courses we envisage, interchanging between Derek's book, videos, audios and proclamations. We aim to release this course within a couple of months. DPM-UK and our DPM Netherlands office have teamed up to develop two courses each year.

Will these online courses also be available in other languages?

Yes, other DPM offices around the world are looking into translating the online courses into different languages such as Arabic, German, Russian, and so on. It is so exciting to think of the huge potential these courses can have in reaching the underground churches in the Middle East or China!

Find out more about our online courses at: courses.derekprince.com
Email: courses@dpmuk.org

DPM UK NEWS



WHY DO WE CELEBRATE EASTER?

f you asked your neighbours, you might be surprised by their answers. According to a 2017 survey, only 55% of Brits associate Jesus with Easter.

This survey also found that one in four people think the government decides what date Easter falls on every year. (2017 studies by New YouGov and Oven Pride). Chocolate eggs and bunnies are listed as answers to the question what Easter is about.

For whatever reason, people in our country have forgotten what Easter is about. It's time to turn the tide!

We want to help you share the good news of Jesus with your friends and your neighbours this Easter. That is why we have developed a special Easter greetings card and an Easter proclamation card with Bible verses about the resurrection.

In addition to this, we have created a ministry copy of Derek Prince' book *The Divine Exchange* that is yours for free on one condition: that you freely give it away to non-believers, and if you can, let us know how you used it.



Our Lord Jesus Christ shared His precious blood to save us from God's judgment. Because of His sacrifice, we can now have forgiveness of sin and peace with God. Let's not keep this life-changing truth to ourselves. Will you help us share it this Easter?

To request free copies of The Divine Exchange please call us on: 01462 492100. Or email us at: enquiries@dpmuk.org

You can also use the magazine response form on the back of the cover letter.





Duncan joined DPM at our Harpenden office in 1999 so he has served with our ministry for 21 years. He retired at the end of January 2020 and this is our chance to say 'goodbye' and to wish him a happy and relaxed retirement.

Q: What motivated you to serve at DPM?

I remember praying in church saying, Lord here I am, use me. He took me at my word and led me to DPM. I must admit that I had not heard of Derek Prince before I joined. But working here not only provided me with a living, but Derek's teaching has changed my life and has brought me into a closer relationship with God.

Q: What are some of the highlights of your time with our ministry?

Getting to spend some quality time with Derek at some of the Bible teaching camps he spoke at and when he visited my home. Being involved in the transition of Derek's teaching from tape to CDs, mp3s, DVDs through to the digital media we use today. Also working alongside some great people over the years. Many have since moved onto other things, but we also have a wonderful team now.

Q: What plans do you have for your retirement?

Hopefully to spend more time with my wife Lynda and our 5 grandchildren. Lynda and I also like to have some holidays to sunny and warm places. I also like to get away on my own from time to time sitting on a riverbank fishing.

Please join us in wishing Duncan well with his retirement and in praying for him and his family.



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Thank you