

The Courts and Council Tool Kit

So that: you too can develop your Seer gift and have the conversations

I spent years ascending to the Courts of Heaven and God’s divine Council

- Learning the Etiquette and protocol for myself
- Then, helping others become fluent in person, on Zoom, & on-line courses

We’ve distilled that into a relational process that will save you months and years of confusion, learning to ascend, exercise your Seer gift, and participate in the Conversations with Father, Jesus, and the 7 Spirits. We summarized every step, and every lesson learned to save you time and frustration. Explore and Enjoy!

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3 Examples - [Purpose Profile](#), [Aspirations](#)

Courts of Heaven Protocol

[Ascending to the Council Made Simple](#)
[Sonship & the Divine Council](#)
[Court & Council Tool Kit](#)
[The Roadmap to Sonship](#)

Here is a simple outline of how to approach it (protocol):

1. Asking Father to open the Court to us (Is anything holding us back?)
2. Asking the Father to cover us; no eavesdropping, interference, deception or attack from the enemy
3. Entering His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise
4. "Seeing" the courtroom and who is there
5. Seeing accusations **plus the roots** in generational covenants or compromises
6. Agreeing with the accusations, asking forgiveness for entering those compromises; Giving back what was gained (trading floors)
7. Allowing the Lord to show us the release
8. Seeing what the Lord has for us now - Release of our book
9. Asking for a decree to seal our release; open our book
 - a) **get the specifics in the decree - multiple decrees**
 - b) **Use them to bind & loose (Mt 16:19) and open and shut (Isa 22:22)**
10. Seeing Father's Council and the invitation to be a son that comes back often

John 14:2-3 (praying by proxy?) - *In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.* NIV



Accuser of the brethren
Shame of my own heart
Rev. 12:10-11



The Testimony of Jesus is
the Spirit of Prophecy
Rev. 19:10

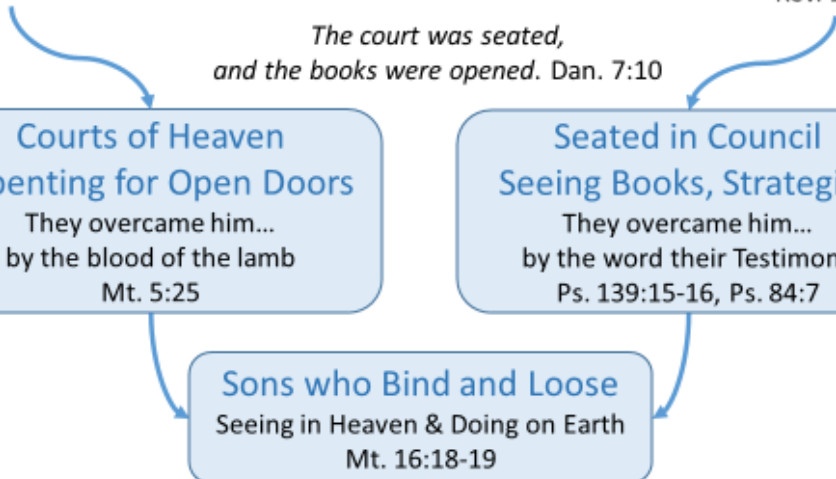
Becoming Sons Who Create Value

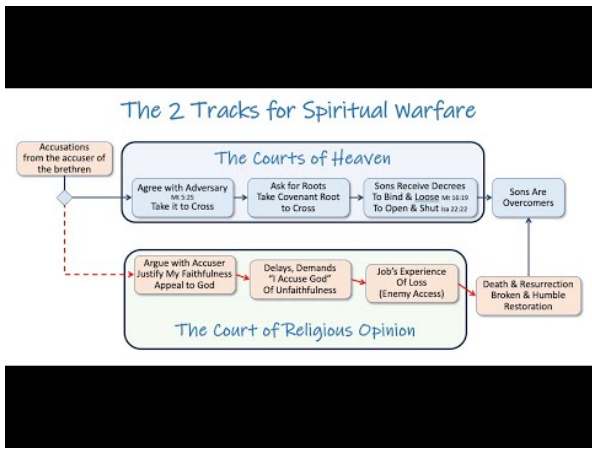
*The court was seated,
and the books were opened.* Dan. 7:10

Courts of Heaven
Repenting for Open Doors
They overcame him...
by the blood of the lamb
Mt. 5:25

Seated in Council
Seeing Books, Strategies
They overcame him...
by the word their Testimony
Ps. 139:15-16, Ps. 84:7

Sons who Bind and Loose
Seeing in Heaven & Doing on Earth
Mt. 16:18-19





We believe the track to reformation goes through tribe leaders like you. We want to help you get there with some practical resources and relationships. The [The Lead your Tribe Field Guide](#) is a great place to start (free PDF). If you prefer the hard copy as a paperback, it's also on Amazon.

One of the keys to the Courts of Heaven is agreeing with the accusation and simply taking it to the cross. The only other option is to try and defend yourself. That leads down a path to accusing God of not protecting you. It's simply receiving an accusation from the enemy and then blaming God for the same accusation (crazy huh?). Sadly, that's the court of religious opinion that leads to Job's ash pile and a death/resurrection experience.

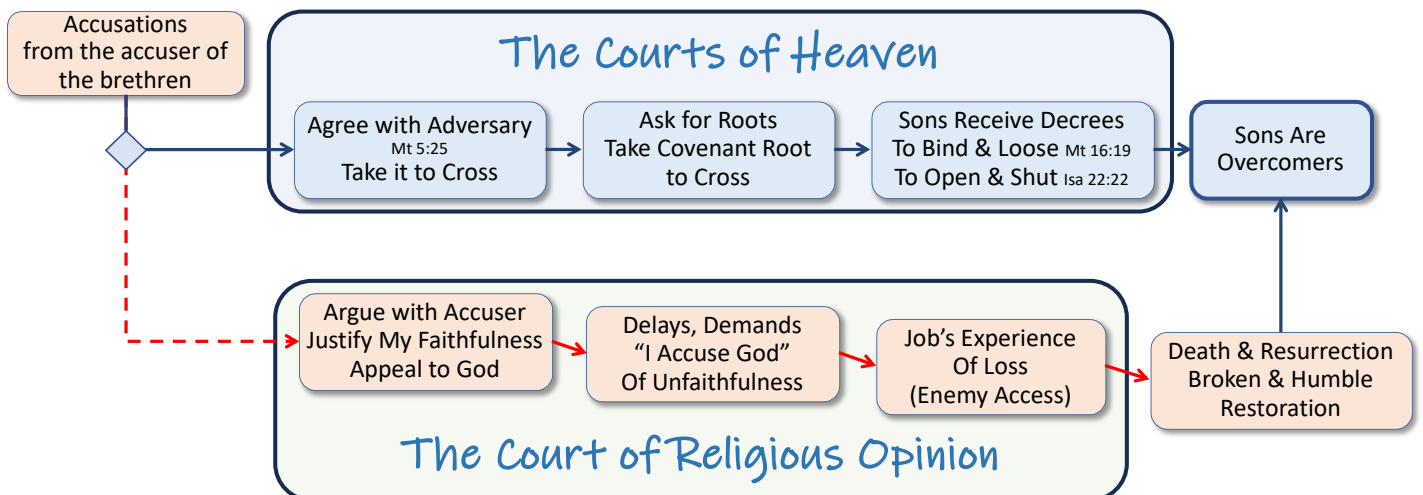
The real benefit of allowing Jesus to be your legal advocate is that:

- 1) He deals with the accusation; agree quickly (Mt 5:25); take them to the Cross
- 2) He will also show the legal roots/covenant; take them to the cross
- 3) He will reveal Decrees to bind and loose / open and shut doors in the Spirit
Decrees to implement your and Father's purpose on earth.
- 4) Do it with 2 or 3 (Ecclesia) to confirm, agree (Mt 18: 18-20)

Mt 16:18 – *I will build My church (Ecclesia); and the gates of Hades will not overpower it.
19) "I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven;
and whatever you bind on earth shall have been bound in heaven,
and whatever you loose on earth shall have been loosed in heaven."*

Isa 22:22 – *"Then I will put the key of the house of David on his shoulder;
When he opens, no one will shut,
When he shuts, no one will open."*

The 2 Tracks for Spiritual Warfare



Council Etiquette

Dear tribe – you have done a great job in the Council; love the culture we’re developing and the experiences we’re having. We all place great value on experiencing the love of the Father, the presence of the Holy Spirit, and the word of God (Jesus). “Seeing” only adds to the awe and causes our hearts to bow.

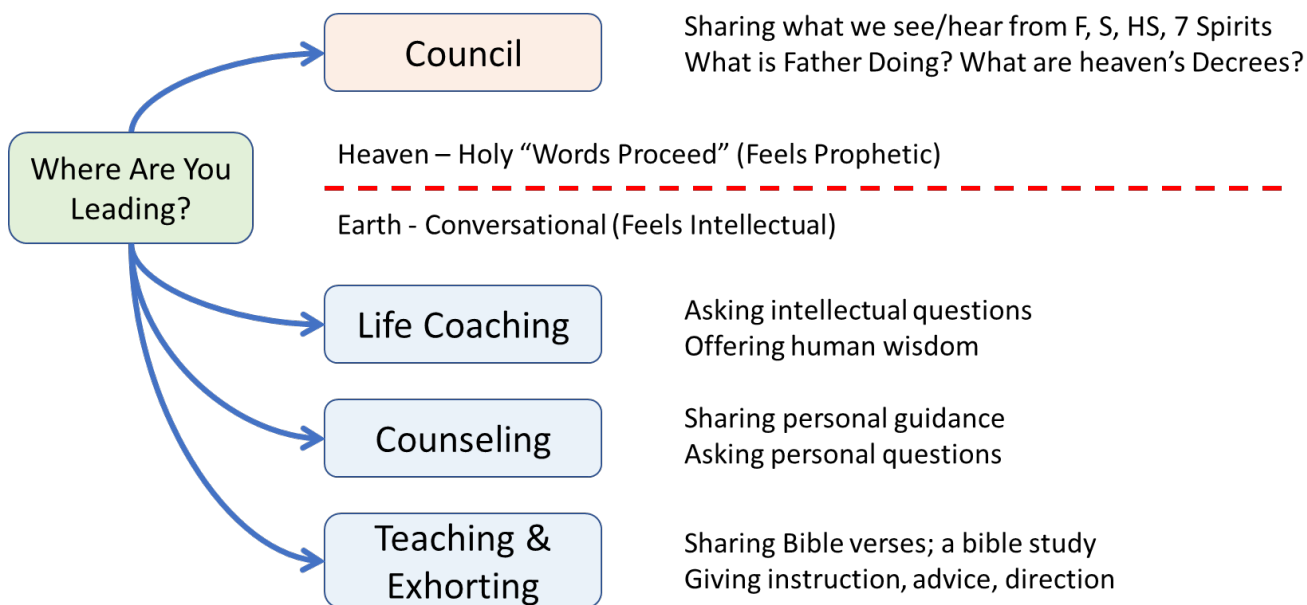
Honoring the presence and the majesty of the Council is the practical wisdom of knowing the spirit of the Fear of the Lord. It’s a great privilege to be a son with a seat in Heaven that we do not take for granted. Jesus paid for it. These are a few practical tips to “stay” in the Council experience.

1. Use your Seer gift and share what you see. Pregnant pauses are OK, don’t get nervous and add “filler.” Realize waiting on God to “show us” puts pressure on others to add soulish “filler.”
2. Our tribe of seers is a safe place with an opportunity to “try.” Please do. This is a safe place to have a miss – if you don’t try, you won’t grow in your seer gift.
3. Catch the flow and theme and expand it; don’t derail it.
4. Go to the Council yourself regularly (with a notebook). Let it work in your own life before you take others. What you get will be real – you can discern the value.
5. One of the great thrills is taking others to the courts and Council. It is totally intimidating because God must help us, or it’s just nothing. But the fear of failure goes away when we see the blessing it is to another person. Go yourself, then take others with you.
6. When you start “taking others,” it is helpful to have one or two experienced helpers. Realize when you take someone, you have to put them on your back and lead the experience, so it goes where Father wants it to. At some level, you also may need to lead your helpers.
7. Quite often, it is your responsibility to take a question or a topic to the Council.

Things to avoid (soulish intellect vs. your seer gift)

- The Council is not a familiar place (It’s not church, and it’s not a home group)
 - Don’t talk to or exhort one another (the message it gives is *we’re not in the Council*). If it starts with “I think” or “I sense” or “I hear,” it’s probably coming out of “my” old ministry model instead of the Council. We go there so God can talk.
 - What you see probably doesn’t need an explanation; just share what you see
 - Avoid preaching, teaching, encouraging, exhorting, using bible verses (The Council ministers to us, but we’re not there to minister to one another)
- Share what you see instead of prophecy or praying – don’t add “filler.”
 - Don’t start with prophecy or prayer (Council is not a church service or home group)
 - There is a place to see something and then blow the trumpet in Zion prophetically... Or prophecy or pray the declaration after it is seen. Typically, we see purpose that we bring back to earth to prophesy and declare, but occasionally the Lord asks us to make the sound in a spirit of prophecy in Heaven.
- Try not to take it in many different directions. Honor the theme yet be faithful to what you see.

When “You” are the leader – [Lead Your Tribe Field Guide](#)



Seeing in the Council

What it is (Making room for the Father to share His heart)

- Sharing what you see
- From Father, Jesus, Holy Spirit, 7 Spirits
- Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Might, Knowledge, Fear of the Lord

What it's not (Sharing what's on my heart / Mind)

- Preaching, teaching, exhortation and encouragement
- Sharing intellectual truth premised on a bible verse
- Sermon illustrations or analogies that seem relevant
- Human sympathy / empathy... I think... I feel....

How to Release Your Seer Gift

1. Permission – It’s for all of us. We can all be seers
2. Father wants to show us; its easy; flows in abundance
 Luke 11:13 *how much more will your Father in Heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”*
3. Start with your imagination (Kick start your seer gift)
4. Have a filter (discern what is real, let the rest go)
5. Listen to a mentor; Pick up on the spirit of it; Grow in it gradually; It does take some time!
6. See what you get in pictures, scenes; share the pictures
 - a. Don’t explain it, preach it, exhort it, “talk away the anointing of it”
 - b. Make room for God to minister (in courts and Council)
 - c. It’s not business as usual; not traditional sharing or prophetic
7. Use your seer gift in your own devotions regularly
 - a. Have your mind map and the Council graphic with you
 - b. Write what you get
 - c. Transcribe the notes, share them occasionally for confirmations

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Thanks, Ross

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I use e-sword on my phone. Has Greek and Hebrew plus a great cross-referencing function. <https://www.e-sword.net>

2023-08-19 How Not to Go to the Courts and Council

I've been to the Courts of Heaven and Father's Council hundreds of times over the last six years. We've also gone as a group on Zoom calls and with individuals or groups of 2 or 3 in person. We've written books and posted blogs on all the helpful things I could think of and that the Lord showed me. Today I read an article making the point that the most helpful books were *How Not To* instead of *How To*. So, for your reading pleasure, here's a collection of how not to, followed by a brief comment.

FYI - I have personally made all these mistakes. I've also had to clean up the mess when I was the leader of a group and someone else made them; not fun! The Courts and Council seem best suited for personal devotions, but doing it with someone else is the fastest way to learn, so there is grace both ways. I'm in the habit of sharing my personal sessions with people I trust to make room for their discernment and my protection. I fill up several notebook pages during the session and type them up when I have time. I do it because it feels like I'm honoring what the Lord shows me by preserving it and then doing it.

- 1) The Holy Spirit will come to me. Since Christ is in you, there should be no need to ascend to Heaven. So don't bother. God already speaks to me. *This is charismatic theology that we must be willing to let go of. Kingdom is conversations around purpose, not breadcrumbs of red light/green light hunches.*
- 2) Treat it casually. Sure, God is Holy, but were buds and we don't need any protocol or formality. Holiness is just playing the religious card. *Try getting that one past the Spirit of Fear of the Lord.*
- 3) I wasn't hearing anything, so I quit. *Going to the Council requires a reverent persistence, a willingness to bring questions and wait for answers or ask Father what is on His heart.*
- 4) Declare victory and quit as soon as you hear something. *The Council is a place for conversations, not words. The 7 spirits always have a contribution – don't dishonor them by skipping.*
- 5) I wasn't seeing anything, so I quit. *Your seer gift is activated by using your imagination and discerning what's from the Lord and what is not – the same as the prophetic process of hearing and sharing words.*
- 6) I don't have time. *Don't have time to see what Father is doing and do it with Him; your Kidding! Sometimes, I will set aside my notes and pick up the council session again later. I'm working four tens and don't try to do it every day. My frequency is 3-4 times a week, and I get out of bed at 3 or 4 AM to do it because I'm wide awake and want to. Sometimes the Lord gives a start in the middle of the night.*
- 7) I used the Courts of Heaven as a place to repent for personal sin, and it didn't feel like I was in Heaven. *You weren't! The Courts of Heaven is a formal place to hear and deal with accusations and generational roots. Appearing in the Courts or Council with unconfessed sin is a huge mistake.*
- 8) I went with a group, and there was some discussion, even exhortations among the group. What people did see or hear in the Council was followed by an explanation. It felt more like a bible study. *It was!*

Injecting personal interaction brings it right out of Heaven down to your living room. The Council is about making room for Father, Son, and Seven Spirits to Speak. The Council is not a home group, a prayer group, or a place for exhorters, preachers, and prophets to wax eloquently. The Council ministers to us, but we're not there to minister to one another.

9) The stuff I get going to the Council seems like amateur hour compared to what others get. Going to the Council and developing your seer gift does take some time. It's a spiritual muscle you have to use multiple times a week. The reward is the experience with Father, what you bring back in terms of purpose and clarity on what Father is doing, and your role as His co-laboring son or daughter.

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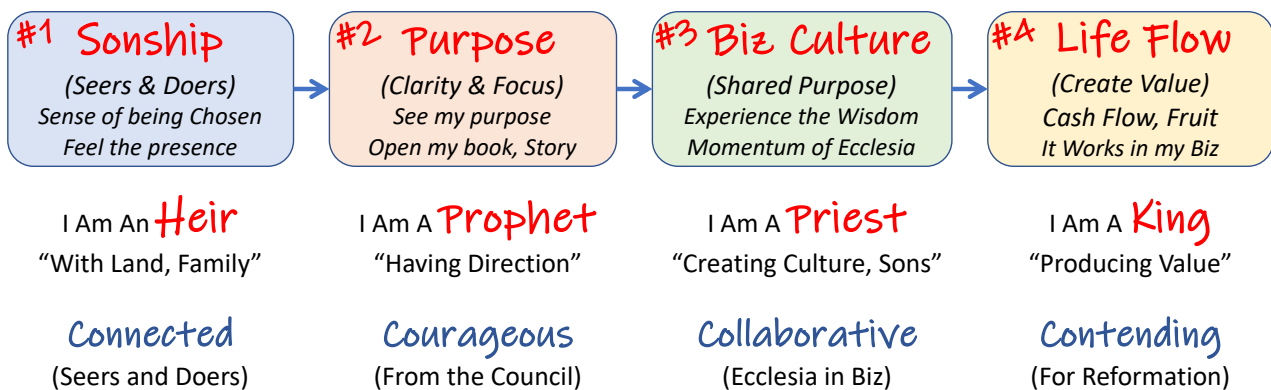
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