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YOUR PRAYER LIFE

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Foreword

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When I began leading the Prayer Ministry at Victory Christian Center years ago, I kept hearing these questions over and over, “How do you pray?” and “Can you teach us how to pray?” I began to realize that it was really more of a question of, “How can I get disciplined enough to have a regular prayer time?” rather than “How do you pray?” Most Christians know that prayer is the very lifeline of a successful walk with the Lord. But even though many desire to have a daily time of prayer and know it is vital in life, they find it hard to get started.

Daniel King is a young man I have known for most of his life and have seen an incredible increase of the anointing on his ministry. Growth of this kind could only come from a very deep and disciplined prayer life. It is evident that, along with his own prayer life, his very rich background of training from his missionary parents has prepared him for this amazing book. As I read it, I began to have a great appreciation for Daniel’s book about *The Power of Prayer: 31 Days to Radically Change Your Prayer Life*.

He suggests a 31-day plan to study a different strategy or aspect of prayer for each day of the month, which is a great way to overcome a hit and miss type of praying. Having a 31-day plan is what many people need to jump-start their special time with the Lord, establishing a habit of prayer that overcomes the procrastination of putting their desire to pray into the future. To get the most from this book one should read one chapter a day each morning,

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meditate on that thought all day, practice it, and get it down in your spirit. It's a great way to take ownership of a much deeper prayer life, making it a daily part of our life.

Studying a different aspect of prayer each day for 31 days would certainly help a person develop a habit of prayer. Also, I have discovered a deeper meaning of Ephesians 6:18, especially as expressed in the NIV that says, "...praying always with ALL KINDS of prayer..." God's strategies in prayer are limitless, and each prayer can be suited to the occasion we face. Praying the right strategy each day sets up a prayer power that is more valuable than one can imagine until it is experienced. We gain insight into partnering with God to establish His will and purpose in our lives and in the earth.

When a daily prayer time is established, God becomes close and personal and our faith grows by leaps and bounds. Our understanding of how our prayers work is vital to our everyday life and doesn't usually happen under any other circumstance. In a daily prayer time, it seems we just take up our conversation with Him where we left off the day before, and that very special relationship begins between us and our Heavenly Father. This ongoing relationship with Him is priceless.

Meditating on various aspects of prayer can increase our understanding of God. Having a guidebook to help us establish this in our lives could be one of the most important books a person could read and study. Out of this can flow understanding and answered prayers never before experienced. I recommend this book as a "must-read" and am looking forward to making it a part of my own library.

Introduction

Do you believe prayer is important? Do you live a life of prayer? The words “pray” and “prayer” are mentioned 329 times in the King James Version of the Bible, yet statistics show that many people rarely pray. Why is this? I think the reason many fail to pray is because most do not understand the importance, the significance, and the power of prayer.

Prayer is your lifeline to God. It is your connection to the most powerful force in the universe. Prayer is like an SOS from a sinking ship. Prayer saves, sanctifies, and delivers. Prayer is a weapon for destroying the enemy. Prayer is the key to your relationship with God. Prayer is a way to make your petition known to your King.

Another reason people fail to pray is because they do not know how to pray. However, in the Bible there is an abundance of information that teaches us how to pray. In this book, I will give you a new way to pray every day for one month.

I encourage you to use this book as a one-month devotional. Each morning read one chapter, and then use the rest of the day to implement the “New Way to Pray” in your life. Do not just read this book, live it. As you incorporate the principles of prayer discussed in this book, I believe your prayer life will gain new freshness, renewed fervency, and powerful results.

My Prayer Journal

*Date Prayer
Answered*

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Pray With Confidence

Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has gone through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God...Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need. ~Hebrews 4:14,16 (NIV)

Prayer should not be regarded “as a duty which must be performed, but rather as a privilege to be enjoyed, a rare delight that is always revealing some new beauty.” - E.M. Bounds

Imagine you are standing outside the biggest doors you have ever seen. Suddenly ten thousand trumpets blow. The golden doors slowly and majestically begin to swing open. Inside on the left and on the right are legions of angels standing at attention. Your ears hear a swelling symphony of worship. You lift your eyes and glance down the aisle. Far away, you see a gleaming dais made of a million jewels. On top sits the biggest chair you have ever seen. You are entering the throne room of God Almighty.

Your first reaction is to fall to your knees with fear and trembling. You feel like you are nothing in comparison to the Creator of the entire universe. Why have you been invited into this amazing setting?

Then you hear your name called. In your ears it sounds like a roaring whisper, full of love and compassion. You slowly glance up to see who calls you with such gentleness. The eyes of the One who sits on the throne captivate you. He speaks again, “Come, My

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child.” The voice is so compelling that you leap to your feet and begin to run towards the sound of His voice.

You run past the thousands of angels, past the saints, and past the wonders of heaven. You run up the steps taking two at a time until finally you reach the top. God says it again, “Come, My child” and pats His leg. You clamor up into His lap like a little kid. His arms encircle you. Immediately you feel His amazing love for you.

It is at this moment you know, beyond a shadow of a doubt, that you could ask Him for absolutely anything you want and He would give it to you. But you are content just to snuggle close to His chest. All thoughts, worries, cares, and anxieties simply melt away in His embrace. All you are aware of at this moment is the Father’s overwhelming presence.

When you pray, you are entering that great throne room of the Father God. Embedded in all of His majesty, splendor, and glory is an intimate invitation to come and abide. Like a father picks up his child in loving care, so the Father God tenderly embraces you each time you come into His presence. There is no fear in such a relationship, but only peace, comfort, trust, and joy. Everything the Father has He willingly gives you simply because you are His child.

Knowing the Father’s heart toward you allows you to approach Him in full confidence in prayer. Because you know His hand is outstretched in love and mercy, there is no room for doubt or fear when you petition Him. Whether it’s healing in your body, help on an exam, direction for life, or money for rent, your requests matter to God. He WANTS to answer you!

So as you enter your prayer closet today, go in confidence. Shake off any fear or doubt that might be plaguing your mind. God is waiting with open arms to love you, bless you, and fellowship with you. His Father’s heart is extended toward you, waiting to answer every request of your heart.

Pray With Love

I urge you, brothers, by our Lord Jesus Christ and by the love of the Spirit, to join me in my struggle by praying to God for me.

~Romans 15:30 (NIV)

“God only requires of His adult children, that their hearts be truly purified, and that they offer Him continually the wishes and vows that naturally spring from perfect love. For these desires, being the genuine fruits of love, are the most perfect prayers that can spring from it.” - John Wesley

When a mother prays for her child’s boo-boo to be healed, what motivates her? Love. When a grandmother cries out for her grandson to be saved, what drives her? Love. When Jesus walked up into the hills to pray all night, what motivated Him? His love for His Father. When a man prays for his wife to be healed of cancer, what is his motivation? Love.

When Jesus stands in front of the throne room of heaven, petitioning the Father on your behalf, why does He do it? Because He loves you. When a pastor prays for the members of his congregation, what is his reason for praying? His love for people. When Jesus asked God to forgive those who crucified Him, what compelled Him? His love.

Prayer is inherently an act of love. You pray because you care. You demonstrate your love for the person for whom you are

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praying. She may be a thousand miles away, or you may not have spoken to her in a long time, but your prayers cross the distance and time and make a difference in her life.

When you pray, you also demonstrate your love for God. By asking for His assistance, you demonstrate your trust, your confidence, and your belief in Him. And when God answers your prayers, He does so out of His great love for you.

Love is the reason that initiates our prayers, and love is the force that provides an answer to our prayers. Love should be the motivation behind all our prayers. We pray to God because we love Him, we pray for others because we love them, and God answers our prayers because He loves us. Love is the secret behind a great prayer life!

To quote John Calvin, “Our prayer must not be self-centered. It must arise not only because we feel our own need as a burden we must lay upon God, but also because we are so bound up in love for our fellow men that we feel their need as acutely as our own. To make intercession for men is the most powerful and practical way in which we can express our love for them.”

So if you find yourself thinking of a loved one today, remember to lift him or her up in prayer. Let the love of God flow through you as you take time to stand in the gap on behalf of family and friends. When you pray from a heart of love, God will use you as a vehicle to bring answers into the lives of many. Let love be your motivation to pray!

Pray With Fervency

*...The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much.
~James 5:16 (NKJV)*

“Prayer must be aflame. Its ardor must consume. Prayer without fervor is as a sun without light or heat, or as a flower without beauty or fragrance. A soul devoted to God is a fervent soul, and prayer is the creature of that flame. He only can truly pray who is all aglow for holiness, for God, and for heaven.” - E. M. Bounds

The other day I was in a conversation with a person whose mind must have been somewhere else. He kept checking his watch, his eyes roamed the room, and he answered my questions with short syllables. Obviously, he was not fully engaged in our conversation. His conversation with me lacked fervency.

Sometimes, I think we tend to pray the same way. We pray out of habit or rote. We put no feeling or effort into our prayers. We mumble a quick thanks before eating a meal, or we mutter a few words right before we drift off to sleep. But if we want our prayer lives to be effective, we must add fervency to our prayers.

I remember when I was courting my wife, Jessica. When we had a conversation, she would look at me with her big eyes, paying close attention to every word I said. She spoke with passion and intensity. She was fully involved in the conversation with 100% concentration. Why? Because she loves me.

This is how we should talk to God. We should pray with

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a fiery fervency, with obsessed passion, with total intensity, with full commitment, with overflowing love, with a delighted zeal, and with excited enthusiasm. He is our King, our Savior, our Lord, our Creator, our Healer, and our Provider. In Him we live and move and have our being. He deserves our full attention, not some wishy-washy prayer.

So when you talk to the Lord today, don't just quickly mumble a sentence or two as you're pulling up to the Starbucks drive-through. Take time to focus on the Lord, giving Him your full attention. Don't let complacency clog up your prayer life. Instead, stir up that passion for God and His presence. Be fully committed to your conversation with the Lord. As you increase your fervency, you'll see your prayer life take off to a whole new level.

Pray With Thankfulness

...Let us be thankful... ~Hebrews 12:28 (NIV)

“Unless the heart is right the prayer must be wrong.”
- The Kneeling Christian

An attitude of gratitude is the foundation to a fulfilling prayer life. In our fast-paced society, we often rush through the activities of life without ever stopping to say “Thank you.” But if we want a flourishing prayer life, we must first learn the art of thanksgiving.

As you go through your day today, take time to reflect upon the things for which you are grateful. And every time you think of a blessing in life, take a moment to tell the Lord thanks. At the end of the day, you’ll be surprised how many opportunities you had to express thanksgiving to your Heavenly Father.

There are literally hundreds of things for which you can be thankful. For instance, God created food for you to eat. Did you take a moment before eating to say “Thank You”? You have taken approximately 43,200 breaths today. Have you used one to say “Thank You” to the One who created air? You have friends and family who love you – have you thanked God for them? You have a place to live and clothes to wear. Did you thank God for providing for you?

Thankfulness is the most powerful force in the universe. When I am thanked, it makes me want to give again. When I am thanked for doing someone a small favor, it makes me want to do

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more for him or her. But if I am taken for granted, it cuts off my desire to help.

When you are thankful, you attract more of God's blessings toward your life. If you are thankful for what God has given you, you will be given more. If you complain about what you don't have, you will never have enough. Do not grieve for what you don't have; be thankful for what you do have.

In Luke 17:11-19, ten lepers were healed by Jesus but only one came back to give thanks. Jesus commended the one who returned to say "thank you." Let us endeavor to be like the thankful man, not like the nine who were ungrateful.

Cultivate an attitude of thankfulness towards God. Take a moment right now to make a list of all the things for which you are thankful. As you add thanksgiving to your prayer life, you'll find yourself abounding in God's blessings.

List seven things you are thankful for today:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.

Pray With Faith

...Have faith in God... ~Mark 11:22 (NIV)

“There are no bonds faith cannot break, no fetters it cannot sever, no dungeon it cannot open, no disease it cannot heal, no victory it cannot win.” - Oral Roberts

One of the most important elements of prayer is faith. In Mark chapter 11, Jesus told His disciples to pray in faith. The writer of Hebrews told us it's impossible to please God without faith. In writing to the Romans, Paul instructed that the just shall live by faith. So why is faith so important?

Here is a brief overview of what faith is and why it is essential to our lives:

- * Faith is the currency of the Kingdom of heaven.
- * Faith is trusting God when there is no one else to trust.
- * Faith is relying upon God in the midst of trouble.
- * Faith is having confidence in God's promises.
- * Faith sees the invisible and believes the impossible.
- * Faith is a conviction that no matter what the circumstances look like, God will fulfill His Word.
- * Faith is knowing beyond a shadow of a doubt that God will heal, protect, deliver, and provide for you.
- * Faith is believing in God more than you believe in your problem.

Faith in God is the powerhouse behind all answered prayer. As F.F. Bosworth said, “Faith does not wait for the walls to fall

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down; faith shouts them down.” Faith receives the answer before the answer is even visible to the human eye.

Faith in God is a black and white issue and leaves no room for gray in trusting God’s promises. Faith believes God regardless of what outward circumstances look like. Faith simply takes God at His Word.

T.L. Osborn explained it this way: “Faith is believing that God will do what you know He said in His Word that He would do... There are just two platforms on which to stand: One is belief; the other, unbelief. Either the Word of God is true, or it is not. God will either do what He has promised, or He will not. His promises are either reliable, or they are not.”

So as you pray, be sure to pray in faith, trusting God implicitly with your requests. Leave no room for doubt; simply take God at His Word and believe you receive. When you pray in faith, your prayers will be answered!

Pray Without Doubt

I tell you the truth, if anyone says to this mountain, “Go, throw yourself into the sea,” and does not doubt in his heart but believes that what he says will happen, it will be done for him.

~Mark 11:23 (NIV)

“Satan laughs at our toiling, mocks at our wisdom, but trembles when we pray.” - The Kneeling Christian

In the beginning of time as God created the universe, Satan watched with envy. Not long before, Satan had been thrown out of heaven for trying to usurp God’s authority. He nursed his wounded ego as God made light, the world, the sun, the moon, stars, plants, fish, and animals. Then he saw God create Adam and Eve. He jealously watched as God began to fellowship with the first man and woman.

“Do not eat the fruit of the tree at the center of the garden or you shall die,” Satan heard God say to them as he eavesdropped.

“How can I destroy God’s creation?” Satan asked himself. “Should I destroy God’s garden with fire?” he wondered before deciding that God would just recreate it. “Perhaps I could kidnap His new friends?” he thought, but then he realized there was nowhere to hide from God’s gaze.

Finally, he hit upon a diabolical plan, “I will trick Adam and Eve into doubting God’s Word.” He approached Eve in the form of a serpent and began to sow seeds of doubt in her mind. He said to her,

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“Eat from the tree...you will not die like God said.”

Eve was tricked into doubting God. She ate from the tree and then Adam did too. The original sin was doubt. When you doubt God and His promises, you sin. Doubt is the only weapon Satan has in his arsenal. If he can get you to doubt God, then he can control your life. But if you reject doubt, Satan has no hold over you.

As Mike Murdock said, “God’s greatest pleasure is to be believed. God’s greatest pain is to be doubted.” Doubt cuts us off from God’s presence. Belief connects us with God’s blessings.

Here’s a poem I wrote on this topic:

*Thoughts of doubt,
Will shut God out,
And then begin,
To let Satan in.*

When you pray, you prove that you do not doubt God. Why would you pray to someone whom you think is powerless to help you? Prayer proves that you believe Him and His promises. So be sure to add faith to your prayer life today. Don’t doubt, only believe!

Pray Believing You Receive

...Whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours. ~Mark 11:24 (NIV)

“Faith in a prayer-hearing God will make a prayer-loving Christian.” - Andrew Murray

Mark 11:24 is one of the most powerful verses in the Bible. It puts no limits on God. It puts no limits on what you can ask for. It simply says, “Whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.” It does not say it might be yours. It does not say it could be yours. It says it **WILL** be yours. So what are you praying about?

Here are some ideas to add to your prayer list:

Body of Christ: Pray for...

- * your church
- * your pastor
- * your church leadership
- * finances to accomplish the church’s vision
- * revival of the saints
- * church growth
- * souls to be saved
- * unity and harmony among Christians

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- * missionaries
- * believers who are persecuted

Your Personal Life: Pray...

- * to walk in God's perfect will
- * that your life will bear fruit
- * for forgiveness
- * for spiritual insight
- * for your seeds to produce great harvests
- * for wisdom
- * to rejoice in the Lord
- * to walk in love
- * for sanctification
- * for the joy of the Lord
- * for your safety
- * for physical healing
- * for healing from abuse
- * for revelation from God's Word
- * to plead the Blood of Jesus over your life
- * to break generational curses
- * that you will have the mind of Christ
- * to be conformed to the image of Christ
- * to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit
- * for freedom from worry, fear, depression, and loneliness
- * that your spirit will have authority over your soul and body

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- * for prosperity and for all your needs to be met

Your Family: Pray for...

- * your relatives
- * unsaved friends and family members to be saved
- * your spouse or future spouse
- * your children to serve God
- * peace in the family
- * wisdom to raise children
- * a hedge of protection for your family
- * a loving marriage

Your Nation: Pray for...

- * your community
- * your state or province
- * your nation
- * the government
- * the Congress or Parliament
- * the President or Prime Minister
- * the Supreme Court
- * your governor
- * your legislators
- * your police
- * the soldiers who protect your country
- * schools and teachers

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- * godly laws to be passed
- * righteousness to be exalted
- * salvation of those who are in prison

The World: Pray for...

- * the peace of Jerusalem
- * salvation of the nations
- * the lost to turn to God
- * protection from natural disasters
- * doors to be open to the Gospel
- * Satan's plans to fail
- * Jesus to be lifted up
- * laborers to be sent out to the harvest field

Prayer is a mighty tool God has given you to help progress His plans on the earth. So don't take this tool for granted. Step up to the plate today and pray! When you pray in faith, the answer will not and cannot be denied.

Pray With Devotion

*Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.
~Colossians 4:2 (NIV)*

“I have so much to do that I shall spend the first three hours in prayer.” - Martin Luther

The word devotion means “love, loyalty, or enthusiasm for a person, activity, or cause.” Devotion is also defined as “religious worship or observance.” It is from the Latin word *devovere* which means “consecrate.”

In everyday terminology, “devotion” is used in describing characteristics of people and their relationships. One could say a wife is “devoted” to her husband. This implies she is loyal, faithful, consistent, committed, dedicated, and loving. She is full of fondness, love, admiration, affection, and care. Or one could say that someone lives “a life of devotion.” This is a life of devoutness, piety, spirituality, godliness, holiness, and sanctity.

The term is also applied to a set time in the day to seek after God. We often call this our “morning or evening devotions.” As “devotion time,” this part of our day is consecrated to growing in our relationship with the Lord.

Every single morning when I was growing up, our family had devotions. In these special times of worship, my mother taught me to pray. My siblings and I were all homeschooled and devotions were an important part of the day. We would always wake up,

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eat breakfast, and then spend thirty minutes in devotions. We called these times 10/10/10 because we would spend ten minutes singing along with a worship CD, ten minutes in prayer, and then ten minutes listening to a preaching CD.

During these morning times of prayer, we would often pray for missionaries, for our friends, for healing for sick people, for our personal finances, for God to save people in different nations, for our nation, for politicians, for famous ministers, and for each member of our family. We would spend time worshipping God and thanking Him for His goodness.

Every evening we would have another time of devotion. My mother would read a Bible story to us every night right before we went to bed. She observed this practice so faithfully, that to this day when I go home, my mother still wants to read a Bible story to me. Usually I say, “But Mom, I am a grown man. I have heard these stories a thousand times.” She normally replies, “Sit down. You still need to hear a Bible story no matter how old you are.”

My mother is very devoted to her prayer life and has passed down her legacy to her children. Her practice of devotion is a good lesson for all of us. No matter how old we are, how busy we become, or how mature in the Lord we think we are, devotions are a vital part to our walk with the Lord.

I encourage you to make a daily habit of spending quality “devotion” time with the Lord. Take a few minutes of your morning or evening (or both!) and consecrate them to fellowshiping with your Heavenly Father. You can spend time reading and meditating the Word, praying in English or praying in tongues, worshipping with a CD or on your own, or listening to some recorded sermons. No matter how you spend this time, devote it to the Lord. Consecrate those precious moments, set them aside, and let nothing come between you and your time with God. As you cultivate a practice of daily devotions, your relationship with God will deepen with each passing day. You’ll find yourself not only practicing a time of devotion, but living a devoted life to your Lord and King.

Pray With Humbleness

“Yes, Lord,” she said, “but even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” Then Jesus answered, “Woman, you have great faith! Your request is granted.” ~Matthew 15:27-28 (NIV)

“Be humble or you’ll stumble.” - D. L. Moody

Prayer is the ultimate humbling experience because we are forced to acknowledge our dependence on a superior Being. It is easier to stay humble when we keep the purpose of prayer in mind. Prayer is not a way to force God to do miracles on our behalf. God is not like a vending machine where we can insert a few prayers and expect a miracle to pop out. The purpose of prayer is not to change God’s mind, but to change our own.

According to Malachi 3:6 and Hebrews 13:8, God does not change. No matter how much we pray for God to do something, He is only going to do what He has said in His Word that He will do. For example, our prayers cannot convince God to save a friend or relative. He already desires for every person to be saved. He gave His very best, His only Son, as a gift to make salvation possible for every person. What more could we want Him to do?

God has done everything He needs to do for the whole world to be saved. He commanded us, “Go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature.” So, when we pray for the lost to be saved, our own hearts become burdened with the need to witness to the lost.

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T.L. Osborn once said, “There are two prayers God will never answer: When we ask Him to do something He has already done and when we ask Him to do something He told us to do.” The purpose of prayer is not to try to get God to do what we want; rather the purpose of prayer is for us to become more like God. Prayer changes our thought processes, our attitudes, our ideas. With our prayers we can change ourselves so our thoughts more closely reflect God’s thoughts.

When done properly, prayer is a humbling experience because we become aware of how BIG God is and how small we are. We should all pray as Kathryn Kuhlman prayed, “All of Thee, Lord, and none of me.” As we pray, let us continually keep a humble attitude before the Lord.

To increase the effectiveness of your prayer life, remember that prayer doesn’t change God. Prayer changes you and those around you. As you come before the throne of God in humility, God will pour out His blessings on you. Not only will your prayer life become more effectual, but you will be changed from glory to glory.

Pray In Secret

...When you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. ~Matthew 6:6 (NIV)

“The secret of praying is praying in secret.” - Leonard Ravenhill

“Public prayers are of little worth unless they are founded on or followed up by private praying.” - E. M. Bounds

“O, let the place of secret prayer become to me the most beloved spot on earth.” - Andrew Murray

In Luke 18:10-14, we find the story of two men. One was a Pharisee. He stood in the middle of the temple and prayed in a loud voice so everyone could see how holy he was. The other was a Publican, a tax collector, a sinner. He stood by himself in a corner and whispered his prayer.

The Pharisee prayed, “God, I thank Thee that I am not evil as other men are. I am not unjust or an adulterer or a tax collector as that other man is. I fast twice a week and I pay my tithes faithfully.”

The Publican would not lift his eyes to heaven. Instead, he stood by himself in an out of the way corner and placed his hand on his heart. He simply prayed, “God, be merciful to me, a sinner.”

Jesus said that the Publican’s prayers were effective and the

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Pharisee's prayers were wasted. The Pharisee's prayers hit the roof and went nowhere. The Publican's prayer soared straight to heaven. The Pharisee was heard by men and ignored by God. The Publican was despised by men but celebrated by the Almighty. In the moment of his prayer, the Pharisee received all the benefit he would ever get from his prayer, but the Publican's prayer reverberated throughout eternity.

Where you pray determines where you get the benefit. If you pray to be seen by others, you will have shallow results. It's much better to pray humbly in private and have God's ear than it is to pray in public and have a heart overflowing with pride. Remember, God is not impressed by outward appearances; He's always looking inside at the heart.

Who are you trying to impress with your prayers, God or man? When do you pray more passionately, in the pulpit or in private? Where are you more eloquent, in the meeting place or in your secret place?

Today, I challenge you to examine your heart and make adjustments if necessary. Discard all pride, humble yourself, and pray with a sincere heart. It doesn't matter if no one else on the planet sees you pray. When you pray in secret, you have the most important audience in the world...Almighty God!

Pray In the Name of Jesus

...I will do whatever you ask in My Name, so that the Son may bring glory to the Father. You may ask Me for anything in My Name, and I will do it. ~John 14:13-14 (NIV)

“Avail yourself of the greatest privilege this side of heaven. Jesus Christ died to make this communion and communication with the Father possible.” - Billy Graham

One day Peter and John were going up to the temple to pray when they saw a man who had been crippled from birth. Every day this man would sit at the temple gates begging for money. “Give me some money, please give me some money,” asked the crippled man when he saw Peter and John.

In reply to the crippled man’s plea, Peter said, “Look at us!” Excited, the man gave Peter and John his full attention expecting to receive coins from them. Then Peter said, “Silver or gold I do not have.”

The man’s face dropped. “It’s just my luck to ask a poor person for money,” he thought to himself. But then his ears perked back up as he realized Peter was not finished speaking yet.

Peter continued, “But what I do have, I give you. In the Name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk!” Although Peter didn’t have money to give the man, he possessed the healing power that is in the Name of Jesus.

Suddenly the crippled man felt blood rush into his legs. He

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could feel his feet for the first time in years. He looked up and saw Peter reaching out his hand, and without thinking, he grasped the outstretched hand and stood up. Instantly his feet and ankles became strong.

Hesitantly he took a step. Then he took another step and another step. He was walking! He began walking faster...then he tried hopping up and down. Finally he ran around the temple court shouting "Praise God!" and showing everyone how he could walk and leap. The crowd in the temple court was astonished because they all recognized him as the man who was once crippled.

Peter asked the crowd who came running, "Men of Israel, why does this surprise you? Why do you stare at us as if we made this man walk through our own power? Through faith in the Name of Jesus this man whom you see and know was made strong."

When the priests arrived, they were greatly disturbed because the apostles were talking about how Jesus rose from the dead. They commanded the captain of the temple guard to place them under arrest. The next day all the rulers, elders, and teachers of the law asked Peter and John, "By what power or what name did you heal this crippled man?" These men knew Peter did not have any power of his own, so they asked this question in order to discover whose power was behind the miracle.

"It is by the Name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that this man stands before you healed," Peter answered. "Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved."

The rulers were deeply disturbed because the apostles were preaching and healing people in the Name of Jesus, so they commanded them not to speak or teach at all in the Name of Jesus. But in a prayer meeting later that night, Peter disobeyed their command and asked God, "Stretch out Your hand to heal and perform miraculous signs and wonders through the Name of Your holy servant Je-

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sus.” After Paul and his friends prayed, the Holy Spirit fell, and all who were at the meeting began to speak the Word of God with great boldness. As they preached, many people in the city of Jerusalem were saved and healed because of the power of the name of Jesus.

There is no other power in heaven, hell, or on earth greater than the Name of Jesus. That Name is above all other names. In the Name of Jesus, the lame walk, blind see, and demons flee. That Name brings salvation, healing, deliverance, and forgiveness. The Name of Jesus is the most potent weapon in our arsenal of prayer.

As you pray, always remember to pray in the Name of Jesus. God has given you the use and the authority of that Name. Don't take that Name for granted. Take your sword of prayer and cut through all of Satan's tactics by using the Name of Jesus. There is power in that Name!

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Pray Like a Child Asking for Bread

If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? Or if he ask a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent? Or if he shall ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him? ~Luke 11:11-13

“The story of every great Christian achievement is the history of answered prayer.” - E. M. Bounds

When my wife, Jessica, was pregnant with our son, Caleb, both she and I were filled with anticipation as we awaited the birth of our first child. As we drew close to the due date, our instincts for parenting continued to grow and manifest. Jessica decorated the nursery and carefully chose baby seats, high chairs, clothes, diapers, and all the other paraphernalia needed to care for a baby. I began thinking about how to start putting aside money to pay for our child's education. As loving parents, our goal was to do everything we could to provide for our child, protect our child, and raise our child in the best way possible.

God the Father feels the same way about His children. When we come to the Father with a prayer request, we are like little children. He looks at us as His children and we should look to Him with the same simple faith that a child has when she looks at her beloved daddy.

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Imagine a little child running up to her father and shouting, “Daddy, daddy, I’m hungry.” How would the father respond? If a son asks for bread, would the father give him a stone? If a daughter asks to be picked up, would a loving father beat her instead? No, a loving father is attentive to the needs of his children and will do anything he can to make his child’s life easier. God will do the same for us!

Jesus said, “You must become as a little child to enter the Kingdom of heaven” (Luke 18:17). A child comes to her father with simple faith. In her eyes, her daddy is the solver of all problems. Her daddy is superman. For her daddy, nothing is impossible.

When you pray today, trust God with the same simple faith that a child has towards her loving father. Run to Him in faith, in love, in joy, in expectation. God the Father is waiting with arms open wide to receive you as His child and to answer your prayer.

Pray In the Spirit

...Pray in the Holy Spirit. ~Jude 1:20 (NIV)

“The true spirit of prayer is no other than God’s own Spirit dwelling in the hearts of the saints. And as this spirit comes from God, so doth it naturally tend to God in holy breathings and pantings. It naturally leads to God, to converse with Him by prayer.”

- Jonathan Edwards in his sermon, Hypocrites Deficient in Prayer

It is God’s will for every believer (including you) to be filled with the Holy Spirit. Ephesians 5:17-18 (NIV) instructs, “Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord’s will is...be filled with the Spirit.” This means it is God’s will for you to be filled with the Holy Spirit.

You can ask with complete confidence for God to fill you with His Spirit because it is His will for you to have the gift of the Spirit. First John 5:14-15 (NIV) says, “This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us – whatever we ask – we know that we have what we asked of Him.” You do not have to beg for the Holy Spirit, but you do need to specifically ask to be filled with Him.

In Luke 11:13, Jesus said, “If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!”

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Since the Holy Spirit is a gentleman, He will not force Himself upon you. He will only enter your life at your invitation.

You can pray in a spiritual language. The Spirit is continually praying to God on your behalf in a special language which is only understood by God. You can pray in this new tongue by opening your mouth and allowing the Spirit to speak using your vocal cords. Jesus promised, “These signs will accompany those who believe... they will speak in new tongues” (Mark 16:17 NIV).

Isaiah prophesied this new tongue would bring refreshing to weary believers, “For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people. To whom he said, This is the rest wherewith ye may cause the weary to rest; and this is the refreshing: yet they would not hear” (Isaiah 28:11-12). This new tongue is like a “well of water springing up into everlasting life” (John 4:14).

On the day of Pentecost, one hundred and twenty disciples began to speak with other tongues when they were filled with the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:4). Cornelius and his entire household spoke in tongues when the Holy Spirit came upon them (Acts 10:44-48). When Paul laid his hands on the believers in Ephesus, “the Holy Spirit came upon them and they spoke in tongues” (Acts 19:6).

Paul was originally filled with the Spirit when Ananias laid his hands on him (Acts 9:17). Later, he wrote to the church in Corinth, “I thank God that I speak in tongues more than all of you” (1 Corinthians 14:18). Paul said that praying in the Spirit edifies (builds up) the believer (1 Corinthians 14:4). Paul specifically commanded the church in Corinth, “...Do not forbid speaking in tongues” (1 Corinthians 14:39).

Praying in tongues is like giving your spirit a good workout. As exercise builds your muscles, so praying in tongues builds your spirit. Jude told us, “But you, dear friends, build yourselves up in your most holy faith and pray in the Holy Spirit” (Jude 1:20).

Today, remember to take time to pray in the Holy Spirit. You can pray in tongues in the shower, in the car on your morning commute, or at home while cooking dinner. Praying in the Spirit is the

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power pump behind your day...it keeps your spirit strong, alert, and refreshed.

If you haven't been faithful to pray in tongues on a regular basis, I encourage you to make a change in that area. You can even start off with a simple commitment to pray five minutes in the Holy Spirit every day. It's easy! Pretty soon, you'll find yourself praying in tongues more and more often throughout your day. And the more you pray in the Holy Spirit, the more your spirit will be edified and attuned to God's purposes. What a gift God has given us in prayer through the Holy Spirit!

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Pray With Understanding

... I will also pray with the understanding... ~1 Corinthians 14:15 (NKJV)

***“The greatest answer to prayer is that I am brought into a perfect understanding with God, and that alters my view of actual things.”
- Oswald Chambers***

Paul said to pray in tongues and to pray with understanding. Praying with understanding means that we understand with our minds what we are praying for. Let me give you an example of how we pray with understanding.

Every birthday, we have a tradition in our family. I think our tradition is better than the normal traditions of blowing out candles or having a birthday cake or giving presents. Our tradition on birthdays is to have each member of the family pray for the birthday person. As we pray for our family members on their birthday, we pray for many specific things. Below is a list of what we may pray for:

1. We pray for their **HEALTH** in the coming year. We ask God to keep them healthy and whole. We ask that they would have good eating habits and exercise regularly.

2. We pray for their **GOALS** to be met in the coming year. We ask God to give them a clear vision for the future and the wisdom to know what steps to take.

3. We pray for their **SPOUSE** and **CHILDREN**. If they do not happen to be married yet, we pray for God to protect their future

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spouse and to bring him or her at the right time. If the family member is married, we ask God to bless them with a loving marriage.

4. We pray for their **RELATIONSHIPS**. We ask God to provide godly friends. We ask for God's blessing on them in their role as a son or daughter, father or mother, and sister or brother.

5. We pray for God to give them **MINISTRY** opportunities. We ask God to make them a shining light in the midst of a dark world. We pray that they would walk in all the fruit of the Spirit and the gifts of the Spirit.

6. We pray for their **SPIRITUAL WALK**. We ask God to give them a hunger for God's Word, for prayer, and for praise and worship.

7. We pray for their **FINANCES**. We ask God to provide for every need. We ask God to provide them with a place for fulfilling work. We ask God that all the work of their hands would prosper.

8. We pray for their **MIND**. We ask God to keep them mentally alert and to give them good grades in school. We pray for their education.

9. We pray for their **PROTECTION**. We assign angels to watch over them. We ask God to keep them from harm and to protect them from anyone who would want to injure them.

10. We pray for **FAVOR** over their lives.

11. We pray for them to receive the **DESIRES** of their hearts.

12. We pray for them to have a year of **HARVEST**. We ask God to give them an abundant harvest on every seed they have sown into the Kingdom of heaven.

13. Finally, we pray that the coming year would be the birthday person's best year yet!

I encourage you to make this a tradition in your family. When someone you know has a birthday, turn it into a significant spiritual occasion by speaking blessing over his or her life. Praying for loved ones on their birthday is a way to set the tone for the entire coming year of their life. They will be very thankful for your thoughtfulness!

Pray With Groans of Intercession

In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groans that words cannot express. ~Romans 8:26 (NIV)

***“May God open our eyes to see what the holy ministry of intercession is, to which, as His royal priesthood, we have been set apart. May He give us a large and strong heart to believe what mighty influence our prayers can exert. And may all fear as to our being able to fulfill our vocation vanish as we see Jesus, living ever to pray, living in us to pray, and standing surety for our prayer life.”
- Andrew Murray***

A few years ago, there was a massive earthquake in Haiti that completely ravaged the country. Prior to that time, we had conducted two Gospel festivals in Haiti and had friends in Port au Prince. After the earthquake, I was not able to get in contact with our friends because phone lines were down and they were not answering email. I didn't know if they were alive or dead, injured or hungry, or in need of shelter. Although I didn't know how to specifically pray for my friends in their time of need, the Holy Spirit was able to come to my aid and help me to pray for them.

As I began to pray in an unknown language for my friends in Haiti, I felt God's Spirit in my belly. God began to give me words in a heavenly language for me to pray. As I prayed, I sensed that angels were being dispatched to help my friends where they needed the

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most help. God's Spirit helped me target my prayers accurately.

When you do not know how to pray, the Spirit will help you pray. If you don't know how to pray or what to say, put your trust in God and let Him pray through you. Open your mouth and give Him control. Because the Holy Spirit is a gentleman, He will never take control without your permission. But if you give Him control, He will begin to pray with your voice. From your belly will begin to flow rivers of living water that will bring healing to those who most need it.

Another time to let the Holy Spirit pray through you is when you do not know what to do in your particular situation. Are you trying to make a major decision? Are you facing an unknown danger? Are you being attacked by an unfamiliar enemy? Begin to pray in your heavenly language and God will give you words, perhaps even groans, which will bring direction and clarity to your situation.

You are not alone. When you don't know how to pray, God is with you. If you allow Him, He will help you pray and then He will answer your prayers.

Pray as a Watchman

I have posted watchmen on your walls, O Jerusalem; they will never be silent day or night... ~Isaiah 62:6 (NIV)

“God’s greatest agency; man’s greatest agency, for defeating the enemy and winning men back is intercession.” - S. D. Gordon

The enemy planned a nighttime assault on the city. They carefully wrapped their weapons in rags so they would not accidentally scrape a sword on a rock. They put camouflage paint on their faces so they would not be seen in the dark. Their plan was to sneak up and to place their ladders against the city walls. Quietly, they would climb up and silently overwhelm the soldiers. By the time the inhabitants of the city woke up, they would already be enslaved.

On top of the city wall there was a watchman. His job was to keep an eye out for the enemy. But it was a boring job. Never in his life had anyone attacked. He was tempted to fall asleep. It was the middle of the night. It was cold. Surely it would not matter if he closed his eyes for a short time.

In his mind, he struggled with competing thoughts about his duty versus his comfort. It would be so nice to rest. But his job was to keep an eye out for the enemy. He decided to take one last walk along the wall before taking a nap.

He stared out into the darkness. Clouds covered the stars. But then a small breeze briefly blew a hole in the clouds and for a moment light shined through. The watchman saw a brief gleam, a

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small flash. It attracted his attention. He squinted into the darkness. He saw hundreds of humps scurrying on the ground towards the wall. What was that? As one hump came closer, he spotted the tip of a helmet and a long spear. It was the enemy.

The watchman ran as fast as he could to the bell in his guard tower. He grabbed the cord and began to pull with all his might. The loud bell rang out into the night. The enemy, realizing that surprise had been lost, shouted and began to sprint towards the walls. Inside, the city's defenders woke from their stupor and struggled to put on their armor. The first to arrive at the top of the wall were there just in time to push the ladders away from the walls. A furious battle raged.

By dawn, the battle had been won. The enemy slinked away like a dog dragging his tail on the ground. The watchman was celebrated and treated like a hero. He had saved the city from destruction!

When we pray, we serve as watchmen for our nation, our culture, our people. The enemy is always trying to attack, but the vigilant prayers of a faithful believer will keep the enemy at bay. Prayer is a mighty preemptive weapon in the spirit realm.

Perhaps you may feel unimportant, unnoticed, or unvalued when you give time to prayer. But your prayers are vital to the Kingdom of God. Whenever you feel discouraged or complacent towards prayer, just remember, God is calling you to be a watchman on the wall. Don't let unnecessary activities in life distract you from fulfilling your call to pray. Be faithful, be diligent, and be rewarded as a watchman of prayer.

Pray to Stand in the Gap

I looked for a man among them who would build up the wall and stand before me in the gap on behalf of the land so I would not have to destroy it, but I found none. ~Ezekiel 22:30 (NIV)

“When we pray for others, the Spirit of God works in the unconscious domain of their being that we know nothing about, and the one we are praying for knows nothing about, but after the passing of time the conscious life of the one prayed for begins to show signs of unrest and disquiet. We may have spoken until we are worn out, but have never come anywhere near, and we have given up in despair. But if we have been praying, we find on meeting them one day that there is the beginning of a softening in an inquiry and a desire to know something. It is that kind of intercession that does the most damage to Satan’s kingdom.” - Oswald Chambers

Zadok straightened up and stretched out his sore back. All day long he had been moving heavy stones in the hot sun and now he was exhausted. He glanced to either side. On his left, he saw his friend Meshullam working hard. To his right, he saw the people of Tekoite using mortar to build the wall. He wiped the sweat off his brow with his free hand. In the other hand, he carried a sword.

He squinted down the length of the wall into the setting sun. Throughout the night, he planned to stay right where he was in case the enemy attacked. He figured tonight was the night the enemy might try to take the city. The men were all tired from working hard

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but the wall was not high enough yet to offer any real protection. All around the city there were far too many gaps in the wall. So Zadok decided to stand in the gap so the city would be protected.

Along the bottom of the wall rode a figure on a horse. It was Nehemiah. Zadok waved at him and Nehemiah shouted back, "You are doing a wonderful job. Soon the wall will be finished." Zadok smiled. It seemed like Nehemiah had been everywhere since he had arrived from Babylon. All day he circled the wall, encouraging the men and lending a hand wherever it was needed the most.

Like a tornado of energy, Nehemiah had come ready to rebuild the walls of the city of David. Singlehandedly, he had convinced the city fathers to begin the work. At first everyone thought the project of rebuilding the walls was impossible, but now the walls were almost finished.

Of course, some were mad at Nehemiah's success. People like Sanballat preferred Jerusalem to remain weak and defenseless. Because of the threat of attack, Nehemiah asked each man to work with one hand and to hold a weapon in his other hand. They would be ready if the enemy appeared. Each man pledged to stand in the gap and defend the city with his life.

Today, there are many holes in the walls that protect our society. Slowly, the enemy has been attacking different areas that used to be protected. Marriages are under assault. Teenagers are being attacked from several directions. Morality has slipped. We need to pick up the weapon of prayer and use it to stand in the gap.

You and your prayers are the only thing standing between the devil and the victory he desires. God is looking for a modern day Zadok to help rebuild the walls of our society by standing in the gap with prayer to defeat the enemy. Will you rise up and answer God's call to pray?

Pray With Specific Requests

“What do you want me to do for you?” “Lord, I want to see,” he replied. ~Luke 18:41 (NIV)

“He who runs from God in the morning will scarcely find Him the rest of the day.” - John Bunyan

Anthony climbed up into Santa’s lap. “What do you want for Christmas?” Santa asked. In response, Anthony dug deep into the pocket of his jeans and pulled out a list.

“There are one hundred and fourteen presents that I want this year, Santa,” Anthony said very seriously. “First, I want a new video game. Then I want a toy airplane that flies with a remote control. I also want new sneakers and a new bike,” Anthony began to list what he wanted with precise detail. The man inside the Santa suit sighed. He could tell he would be there for a long time.

When we talk to God, we should be like Anthony and pray with specific requests. When we target our prayers, we know exactly what we are expecting to receive from God. Specific prayer releases our faith for a specific thing and obtains specific results.

Recently, I was ministering at a church. A man with a bad back came up for prayer. When I asked him what he wanted prayer for he said, “Pray that my disability money will be enough to keep me going through the end of the month.” Instead of asking God for healing, he wanted a trivial miracle.

The blind man who came to Jesus knew exactly what he

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wanted. Jesus asked him, “What do you want me to do for you?” The blind man replied, “Lord, I want to see.” He could have asked Jesus for a silver coin or a word of blessing, and Jesus would have complied. But because he asked Jesus for his sight, his whole life was changed.

In prayer, it’s important for you to know what you want and be bold in asking God. If you pray a wishy-washy prayer, don’t be surprised if nothing happens. Give God a chance to work on your behalf and ask Him for exactly what you need.

Today, make a list of seven specific things you are asking God for:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.

Now approach your Heavenly Father with these specific requests. After you’ve prayed, believe you receive the answer to each thing you specifically asked. God will move heaven and earth to fulfill your requests.

Pray Without Ceasing

Pray continually. ~1 Thessalonians 5:17 (NIV)

**“All that a Christian does, even in eating and sleeping, is prayer when it is done in simplicity, according to the order of God, without either adding to or diminishing from it by His choice.”
- John Wesley**

How much time should we spend in prayer? Sometimes we strive to be spiritual and pray a lot, but we disappoint ourselves when we are unable to fulfill our prayer goals. We tell ourselves, “I am going to get up every morning at 5:30 and pray for two hours every day.” The next morning when the alarm rings, we turn over and sleep until it is time to go to work. In the midst of taking time for our family, school, work, and recreation, it is often difficult to find the time to pray.

A great secret to a life spent in prayer can be found in the example of Smith Wigglesworth. This famous preacher regularly saw unbelievable miracles occur in his services and many people were raised from the dead under his ministry. Someone once asked him how much time he prayed each day. This man wanted to know the secret to Wigglesworth’s success and probably wanted to discover the magic number of hours Wigglesworth spent in prayer each day. Wigglesworth surprised the man by saying, “I never pray for more than fifteen minutes at a time, but I never go more than fifteen minutes without praying.” In other words, Wigglesworth had a continual

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relationship with God.

Someone once pointed out, “It is better to pray a little bit a lot than it is to pray a lot a little bit.” Is it better to take a girl out on one big date, or is it better to spend every waking moment with her? God wants us to be aware of Him all the time and to consult Him about the little details of our lives.

This does not mean you should forsake setting aside a specific time to pray. It may be helpful to make an appointment with God and to write it down in your day timer. But even if you spend a set amount of time praying each day, do not forget about God the rest of the time.

Since I heard the story about Smith Wigglesworth, I have tried to mentally remind myself of God’s presence every fifteen minutes. All of us have a lot of time that can be used for prayer. We can pray on the way to work or while waiting in line at the post office or while we take a shower in the morning. Our day is constantly filled with little opportunities to pray.

Instead of beating yourself up trying to set aside time to spend with God, allow Him to come and spend time with you while you do your everyday activities. I exhort you to “pray continually.” This is what it means to make God the center of your life!

Pray Expecting God to Be Faithful

Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for He who promised is faithful. ~Hebrews 10:23 (NIV)

***“We have to pray with our eyes on God, not on the difficulties.”
- Oswald Chambers***

Prayers are answered, not because we are faithful, but because God is faithful. As human beings, no matter how hard we try, we will fall short. But God the Father gives us the perfect picture of faithfulness. People can let us down. A brother or sister may back out on us. Our friends may desert us. But we can trust God to be there for us when we need Him the most.

In the Hebrew language, the word *faithfulness* comes from the same root word as trust, loyalty, integrity, and steadfastness. God is absolutely true to His Word, His promises, and His character. Faithfulness is part of God’s nature. God is not going to disappear, back out on you, or fail to keep His promises. God is not going to change. He is absolutely trustworthy.

Here is proof that God is faithful:

- * “...He is the faithful God...” (Deuteronomy 7:9 NIV)
- * “...He is faithful in all He does.” (Psalm 33:4 NIV)
- * “God...is faithful” (1 Corinthians 1:9 NIV)
- * “The One who calls you is faithful...” (1 Thessalonians 5:24 NIV)

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* “...The Lord is faithful” (2 Thessalonians 3:3 NIV)

When you pray, remember God’s faithfulness. Because He watches over His Word to perform it, He always answers prayers based on the Word. As a faithful God, His character never changes. His actions are always good, His heart always full of love, His power never lacking. If He made a promise to you in His Word, you can take it to the bank. He will never let you down because He is forever faithful.

Today, I’d like to leave you with a little poem I wrote to remind you of God’s faithfulness:

*God is faithful, His promises are true,
You can trust Him to take care of you.*

*When you are lonely and when you are upset,
Look to God, He is not done with you yet.*

*While you are tired and while you are sad,
For help, just ask your Heavenly Dad.*

*Even if no one else is ever around,
His blessings for you will always abound.*

Pray Expecting an Answer

Call to Me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know. ~Jeremiah 33:3 (NIV)

“Some people think God does not like to be troubled with our constant coming and asking. The way to trouble God is not to come at all.” - D. L. Moody

“The goal of prayer is the ear of God.” - E. M. Bounds

Prayer is not a one-way flow that consists of your talking to the ceiling and hoping God hears you. Prayer is a two-way conversation. You speak to God. He talks to you.

One of the richest rewards of prayer is hearing God's voice. Sometimes God speaks audibly, and other times He speaks quietly to your spirit. At times, He will speak to you through a feeling of peace. Often He speaks to you through His Word.

God is always speaking for those who will take the time to hear. He is like a radio station that is always broadcasting. If we tune in to the right channel, we will hear what He is saying.

When we pray, we need to take time to listen. Sometimes, that may mean turning our mouth off once in a while. Since we have two ears and one mouth, I think God might want us to listen to Him twice as long as we speak.

If you will call out to God, He will answer you. God is there

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right now, just waiting to have a conversation with you. Take the time to hear His voice.

When Jessica was pregnant with Caleb, I flew across the ocean to preach in the nation of Croatia. One evening I called her. The baby had been quiet inside her all day. I asked her to put the phone up to her womb so I could pray for my son. The moment the baby heard my voice, he began to kick vigorously. My son knows my voice.

Jesus said, “My sheep know My voice.” God’s voice is not an unfamiliar sound to His children. Every born-again person has the capacity to hear and know the voice of the Father God.

Each time you pray, remember prayer is a two-way conversation. And in any conversation, there is give and take...each person takes turns listening and speaking. This is how communication works effectively. So in your prayer time, make it a habit not to hog the conversation. Speak...and then be quiet. Listen with your heart. And when you become still enough to listen, you will hear God speaking back to you.

Pray Desiring God's Presence

Come near to God and He will come near to you... ~James 4:8 (NIV)

“...The purpose of prayer is to reveal the Presence of God, equally present at all times and in every condition.” - Oswald Chambers

God is more than a religious belief, an icon on the wall, a deity to mumble prayers to before eating a meal, a list of rules to live by, or someone whose meetings we attend. He is our Friend. God wants to walk with us and talk with us on a daily basis. His greatest desire is to have a relationship with us. God created us to be His Friend.

The Hebrew word for *presence* means “face, in front of, or to see one’s face.” When my wife wants my attention, she sits on my lap and, with a hand on my cheek, turns my face to look her in the eyes. She enjoys my presence as much as I enjoy hers. Being in God’s presence simply means spending time with Him, talking to Him “face-to-face.”

The greatest gift God has given us is His presence. The greatest gift we can give God is a desire to be in His presence. We reveal our desire for God’s presence by the amount of time we spend seeking Him. Pursuit is proof of desire!

Many make the mistake of only seeking God’s blessing instead of celebrating His presence. It is important to seek God’s face, not His hand. We love God because of who He is, not because of

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what He has done or can do for us. God is not an eternal Santa Claus. We should chase His presence, not His presents. It should not be just “I want blessings from God,” but rather, “I want God.” The marvelous thing about seeking the Giver is that when we find Him, we also receive His gifts simply because He loves us.

In God’s presence you will find:

- * Abundance (John 10:10)
- * Comfort (Isaiah 51:12)
- * Deliverance (Psalm 34:19)
- * Encouragement (2 Thessalonians 2:16)
- * Favor (Proverbs 12:2)
- * Forgiveness (Psalm 103:3)
- * Healing (Exodus 15:26)
- * Joy (Psalm 16:11)
- * Love (1 John 4:8)
- * Patience (Psalm 37:7)
- * Peace (John 14:27)
- * Protection (Psalm 91)
- * Prosperity (Psalm 25:12-13)
- * Rest (Exodus 33:14)
- * Strength (Nehemiah 8:10)
- * Wisdom (Proverbs 2:6)

Today, determine in your heart to be a seeker of God’s presence. Don’t fill your prayer time with petitions and requests only, but take time to linger in the presence of God. Wait on Him, worship Him, love on Him. Be His friend and enjoy the sweet fellowship of His company.

Pray to Light Your Life on Fire

...Fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands. ~2 Timothy 1:6 (NIV)

“It is only when the whole heart is gripped with the passion of prayer that the life-giving fire descends, for none but the earnest man gets access to the ear of God.” - E. M. Bounds

The fire of God is the burning passion that exists in the hearts of those who are committed to serving God. This fire creates an appetite for righteousness. Fire produces love, reverence, and passion for God. Fire is found in the fervor and intensity of worship. Fire falls when God's children yearn to be consumed with a divine adoration for God. It creates a craving hunger for God Himself.

God's fire drives the preacher to preach. God's fire forces the teacher to teach. God's fire compels the evangelist to evangelize. Fire gives birth to an obsessive enthusiasm for winning the lost. God's fire sustains the soul when trials and tests come along life's journey. God's fire enables the Christian to live a holy life. The fire of God judges between right and wrong. The fire of God purifies that which is not worthy and destroys imperfections. The fire burns away chaff and leaves gold. It challenges, compels, and produces mighty men and women of God.

The fire of God is not given to make us cozy, but holy. The fire of God is like the fire in the belly of a steamship; it provides the thrust for the voyage upstream. The fire of God is like the fire in a

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hot air balloon, uplifting the spirit to higher heights. The fire of God is like a campfire, supplying warmth on a cold night. The fire of God is like the flame in a lighthouse, giving direction and warning of danger.

The fire of God is the difference between dead religion and a living relationship with Christ. The fire of God separates those who play at church from those who are the Church. The fire of God differentiates between those who preach life-changing sermons and those who only share comforting monologues. The fire of God divides the worshipers from the ones who only want to be entertained. The fire of God is the difference between the impotent and the powerful. The fire of God is the defining characteristic of the passionate follower of Christ.

The fire of God rings the death toll for the forces of the kingdom of darkness. The fire of God energizes God's people with His power and truth. The fire of God burns away sinful thoughts, motives, and desires, and leaves behind a renewed mind. The fire of God removes sadness and replaces it with the joy of the Lord. The fire of God is the sign that true revival has finally come. The fire of God calls sinners to repentance and inspires people to live a life of holiness. The fire of God enlists, trains, and empowers believers for world evangelism.

If you want your life set on fire, start by asking God to turn your life into a flame. Ask Him to rekindle the embers of your passion for Him. Ask Him to stir up a hunger deep in your spirit for the things of God. Your prayers light the fire of God inside you!

Pray For a Harvest of Souls

*“The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest field.”
~Matthew 9:37 (NIV)*

“Prayer is the only adequate way to multiply our efforts fast enough to reap the harvest God desires.” - Wesley L. Duewel

When I was growing up, my family lived on a hill overlooking a huge cotton farm. All spring and summer, we watched the cotton plants grow. They began as tiny sprouts peeking up from underground and then grew rapidly. By late summer, the field was densely covered in green plants. By early fall, the yellow cotton flowers faded away, leaving cotton balls in their place. Then the plants died and turned brown. Finally, the field turned almost completely white. When the field looked like it was covered in snow, I knew the harvesting was about to begin.

I always remembered when Jesus told His disciples, “Behold the fields are white unto harvest.” Jesus was talking about grain fields, but the principle is the same. There comes a time when the fields are ready to harvest.

How can we help harvest the fields of lost souls in this world? In Matthew 9:37, Jesus told His disciples to pray for laborers. He knew there was a huge harvest waiting to be gathered, and He also knew it would require lots of work to bring the souls into the Kingdom of God. So He told His disciples to pray for laborers.

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I believe the disciples heeded Jesus' command to pray. I know they prayed because God answered their prayers. In the next chapter, Jesus sent out laborers into the harvest field of Judea. Those laborers were the disciples. In other words, *the disciples became the answer to their own prayers!* I believe that when the disciples began to pray, God softened their hearts and prepared them to bring in the harvest.

When you begin to pray for souls to be brought into the Kingdom of heaven, God will use you to save people. You can become the answer to your own prayers. If you want God to send you to a specific country, begin praying for that country. If you want God to use you in a specific type of ministry, begin praying for those who have needs in that area. This will prepare your heart to reach out to those in need, and once your heart is ready, God will use you to touch lives!

Pray Like Jesus Prayed

And when He had sent them away, He departed to the mountain to pray. ~Mark 6:46 (NKJV)

“If I should neglect prayer but a single day, I should lose a great deal of the fire of faith.” - Martin Luther

Jesus made it His habit to pray. Every day, He would steal away to spend time with His Father. We should develop the same habit of prayer in our own lives.

A habit is any action taken on a daily basis. First, you form habits, and then habits form you. Your current life is the sum total of all your past habits. Your future destiny is the sum total of the habits you will develop. Show me a person with good habits, and I will show you a person who will be successful. Show me a person with bad habits, and I will show you a person who will fail in life. After you develop a bad habit, you become a slave to that habit. But if you develop a good habit, that good habit becomes a friend that will lead you to success.

I have discovered that my success relies on the habitual actions I take on a daily basis. My health is the result of my habits. My wealth is the result of my habits. The books I write are the result of my habits. My weight is the result of my habits. My friendships are the result of my habits. My spiritual health is the result of my prayer habit.

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Based on my personal experience, a new habit can be formed by doing something new for twenty-one days. The amazing power of forming habits is that anything we do twice becomes easier. The more times we repeat the action, the easier it becomes.

If you are unhappy with your spiritual walk, you must change your prayer habits. A great prayer life is the result of design. You have to choose to live a life of prayer. As you spend time every day in prayer, you will see amazing results.

Pray for People to Be Saved

...We will stand before this temple and in Your presence (for Your Name is in this temple), and cry out to You in our affliction, and You will hear and save. ~ 2 Chronicles 20:9 (NKJV)

“O God, give me souls or I die.” - John Hyde

John Hyde was an American missionary who ministered in what is today northern India and Pakistan in the early 1900's. Today, he is known as “Praying Hyde.” In 1896, Hyde traveled around to many villages in Punjab. He wrote, “This year there were no conversions in the villages. There were last year. What is the reason?” His solution was to fall to his knees in prayer. He began to cry out to God for lost souls. He often prayed all day long and through the night, foregoing food and sleep. He was often seen crying as he prayed, “O God, give me souls or I die.” Hyde's passion for prayer led to the formation of the Punjab Prayer Union. Their goal was to dedicate themselves to praying for revival.

Hyde saw a need to encourage and train pastors so he invited a group of local pastors to the city of Sialkot for a convention in 1904. Before the first meeting, Hyde spent thirty days on his face before God in prayer. Because of the prayer-saturated environment, there was a great outpouring of God's Spirit. Many confessed their sins and pledged themselves to seek God.

At the Sialkot Convention in following years, there was great “brokenhearted-ness for sin” and a burden for lost souls. One

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brother who attended the convention described what he saw: “Oh, what an awful vision I have had! Thousands of souls in this land... being carried away by the dark river of sin! They are in hell now. Oh, to snatch them from the fire before it is too late.”

In 1908, John Hyde announced at the Sialkot Convention that he was believing for at least one soul to be saved every day. He asked God not just for a seeker, but “a soul saved, ready to confess Christ in public and be baptized in His Name.” In a nation where some churches went years without any conversions, many thought his goal was impossible. But John Hyde began to pray and travel and preach. He encouraged those who worked with him to find lost sheep.

One of his friends reported that Hyde “would engage a man in a talk about his salvation. By and by he would have his hands on the man’s shoulders and be looking him very earnestly in the eye. Soon he would get the man on his knees, confessing his sins and seeking salvation. Such a one he would baptize in the village, by the roadside, or anywhere.” By the end of that year, over four hundred new believers had been baptized!

In 1909, John Hyde asked God for an even more audacious request. He wanted two souls to be saved every day. If the daily quota was not filled, his response was to stay up all night in prayer crying out for God to give him souls. As he focused on soulwinning, he found himself drawing closer to the heart of God. He preached, “When we keep near to Jesus, it is He who draws souls to Himself through us.”

Over eight hundred people were saved that year, and at the Sialkot Convention in 1910, the vision was enlarged once again. That year, Hyde set a goal of leading at least four people to Jesus every day. His example challenged other pastors and missionaries. Some ministries that had experienced years of little or no fruit suddenly saw hundreds coming into the Kingdom of God. Much of what God has done in Pakistan and northern India in the past one hundred years can be traced back to the original Sialkot Convention and the prayers of John Hyde.

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John Hyde's prayers had no special rank...he was just a man who recognized the power and necessity of prayer and gave himself to prayer for the salvation of others. Just like Hyde, you can make a tremendous impact on eternity through your persistent prayers for the lost. Make an effort every day to pray for those around you who do not know Jesus. Pray for your family members, your neighbors, and your city. Lift up your voice in prayer for the lost in your country and in the nations of the world. If you take time to be relentless in interceding for the lost, God will use your prayers to bring many to salvation.

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Pray for the Impossible

Is anything too hard for the LORD?... ~Genesis 18:14 (NKJV)

“Faith sees the invisible, believes the unbelievable, and receives the impossible.” - Corrie ten Boom

What is impossible in your life? Are you facing an impossible situation? Have you been diagnosed with a disease impossible to cure? Are you experiencing an impossible economic problem? Do you feel it is impossible for one of your family members to ever turn to God?

In Mark chapter five, we find the story of the woman with the issue of blood. She faced an impossible situation. For twelve long years she suffered with her disease. She spent all her money on the doctors. The doctors took her money but offered her no hope. They told her she would never recover. In fact, she continued to get worse.

But one day, she heard about Jesus. She heard how Jesus healed the blind and the crippled. She said to herself, “If I can just touch the edge of His garment, I will be healed.”

In the midst of her impossible situation, she put her eyes on Jesus. She pushed through a crowd of people and managed to touch the edge of His clothes. Immediately, she was cured of her suffering.

Jesus turned around and asked, “Who touched Me?” The disciples were confused. They said, “Jesus, you are in the middle

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of a crowd. Hundreds of people are touching You.” But Jesus knew her touch was different. Many people were touching Him, but this woman touched Him with her faith.

The woman identified herself to Jesus and told Him what she had done. Jesus said to her, “Your faith has saved you. Go in peace, and be healed of your disease.”

Jesus turned her impossible situation into a miracle. He will do the same for you. Whatever situation you are facing today, know that with God all things are possible. I encourage you to use your faith to reach out and touch Jesus right now. Believe God for the impossible. Believe God for your miracle!

Pray Without Limiting God

*Ah, Sovereign LORD, you have made the heavens and the earth by your great power and outstretched arm. Nothing is too hard for you.
~Jeremiah 32:17 (NIV)*

***“O believing brethren! What an instrument is this which God hath put into your hands! Prayer moves Him that moves the universe.”
- Robert Murray McChesney***

Scientists continue to marvel at the size of the universe. Light travels 186,000 miles per second. Because the sun is 93 million miles away, it takes about 8 minutes for light to travel from the sun to the earth. Against the backdrop of our solar system, our planet is quite small.

But our sun and planets exist in one small corner of the Milky Way galaxy. The Milky Way is so big that at the speed of light, it would take over 100,000 years to travel across the galaxy. If our entire solar system was the size of a quarter, the sun would be a microscopic piece of dust in the middle of the quarter. The nearest star to our sun would be two football fields away. The Milky Way has millions of stars spread out across these distances.

Beyond our galaxy lie billions of other galaxies. These galaxies are billions of light years away from us. As far as we know, the universe continues in every direction into infinity.

The earth is set at a precise distance from the sun which makes it possible for life to exist on this planet. Any closer to the

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sun and it would be too hot to live; any farther away and we would all freeze to death.

There are so many species living on the earth that no one knows the exact number. So far, zoologists have recorded 20,000 species of fish, 6,000 species of reptiles, 9,000 birds, 1,000 amphibians, 15,000 species of mammals, and over one million species of insects. Yet, they think there might be several million more species still waiting to be discovered. Each species is unique and beautiful.

Just think, the same God who created the vast expanses of the universe and who created an infinite variety of plants and animals cares about you. His power is limitless, His love boundless. He is more than capable of handling any problem you face.

So when you pray, think about God creating the expansive galaxies. Think about the plethora of creatures He formed. Think about the exact position He situated the earth so life could exist on our planet. He is the God of the impossible and the infinite. His power and care are more than enough to change your situation. So take the limits off your prayers and expect God to do the supernatural in your life today.

Pray on Behalf of Others

Isaac prayed to the LORD on behalf of his wife, because she was barren... ~ Genesis 25:21 (NIV)

***“To stand before men on behalf of God is one thing. To stand before God on behalf of men is something entirely different.”
- Leonard Ravenhill***

“Daniel, will you pray for me?” I am frequently asked. My typical response is to grab the hand of the person who is asking and immediately begin to pray. If I wait until later, I might forget. Rather than promising to pray and then breaking my promise, I usually try to immediately spend a moment in prayer.

Prayer is often talked about and rarely done. A true prayer warrior is a treasure to be appreciated. I greatly value the people in my life who regularly pray for me.

Recently, we were doing a Gospel Festival in the Muslim nation of Pakistan. While we were there, a pastor back home in the United States had a sense of urgency to pray for our protection. So she began to pray for us. When we returned home, we shared how we were shot at while we were in Pakistan. She figured out that she was stirred to pray at the same time we were in danger. Her prayers saved our lives!

When we pray for others, we can have a big impact in their lives. Do you know someone who needs prayer? Help? Salvation or healing? A touch from God? Begin to pray for them right now.

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Your prayer releases the angels of heaven. Your prayer destroys spiritual blinders. Your prayer brings supernatural provision, healing, protection, and salvation. Your prayer is a mighty wall, a strong shield, a tall hedge between the enemy and the person you are praying for.

Your prayer goes where you cannot go. Your prayer impacts people you never met. Your prayer changes lives throughout the earth. Your prayer reaches into the future and impacts generations that are not even born. Your prayer reaches across oceans, over mountains, around barriers, and across borders.

No law can block a prayer. No religious belief is immune to the power of prayer. No political ideology can halt the results of prayer. No country is closed to the supremacy of prayer.

If you know someone who needs prayer, begin to pray right now. Lift your voice to the Lord and pray on their behalf. Your prayers will change their life!

Pray the Word

For the Word of God is living and active... ~Hebrews 4:12 (NIV)

“One Word from God will change your life forever.” - Kenneth Copeland

The only weapon God has to work with is His words. Since God is Spirit, He does not physically move on the earth. Instead, He uses His words. God's Word created the world. God's Word defeats Satan.

God's words are what led us to salvation. We got saved when we believed God's words. When God wants to get something done on earth, He uses words.

Words are the only weapon we have for defeating Satan. Words are the only tools we have for changing lives. In fact, God's Word in our mouth is just as powerful as God's Word in His mouth!

You are only one verse away from receiving your miracle. If you will grab hold of one of God's promises and memorize it, confess it, and claim it as your own, you can activate God's power in your life. Hebrews 11:3 tells us God formed the worlds by His Word. If the Word of God can create the mighty galaxies, then it can release the miracle you need.

The Word of God has the power to heal and deliver. The Bible tells us God's Word is life and health to our flesh. Psalm 119:50 declares that God's Word gives us life. Psalm 107:20 says God sends

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forth His Word to heal our diseases. The Word is a dynamic powerhouse that can set us free.

The Bible also tells us that Jesus is the Word made manifest in the flesh. In John 1:1,14 (NIV) we read, “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God...And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us.” Some people think if they could just see a vision of Jesus, they would be healed. But our vision of Jesus is in the Bible. God sent His Son for a season, but He left His written Word for all eternity.

Treat the Word of God with the same respect you would show Jesus if He walked into your room. The Word has the same power to heal today as Jesus had when He was physically present. God’s Word is permanent, not like the newspaper or a doctor’s report. The report of a doctor can change, but God’s Word will never be altered.

The Word is eternal. It is unchanging. It is the will of God.

Below are several scriptures that show the eternal character of God’s Word:

- “..The Word of the Lord stands forever...” (1 Peter 1:25 NIV).
- “Heaven and earth will pass away, but My Words will never pass away” (Matthew 24:35 NIV).
- “Your Word, O LORD, is eternal; it stands firm in the heavens” (Psalm 119:89 NIV).
- “For the Word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart” (Hebrews 4:12 NIV).
- “The LORD said to me, “... I am watching to see that My Word is fulfilled” (Jeremiah 1:12 NIV).
- “For all the promises of God in Him are Yes, and in Him Amen, to the glory of God through us” (2 Corinthians 1:20 NKJV).

The Word is God’s instruction to you. For example, on the basis of one word from Jesus, Peter walked on the water. Matthew

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14:29 records this event: “‘Come.’ he said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus.” Don’t put on your swimming trunks when Jesus tells you to walk on the water. When God speaks to you from His Word, do it!

When you pray, take the Word of God with you into your prayer closet. Read and meditate on the promises God spoke in His Word. When you work the Word and pray the Word, the Word will work for you!

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When God answers one of your prayers can you write to tell me about the miracle God has done for you? I want to rejoice with you!

Pray the Lord's Prayer

*“Our Father in heaven,
Hallowed be Your Name.
Your Kingdom come.
Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we also forgive our debtors.
And do not lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from the evil one.
For Yours is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever.
Amen.” ~Matthew 6:9-13 (NKJV)*

“The Lord’s Prayer may be committed to memory quickly, but it is slowly learnt by heart.” - Frederick Denison Maurice

When the disciples asked Jesus how to pray, Jesus gave them the Lord’s Prayer as a model. This prayer is perhaps the most well-known and most often repeated prayer in the world. I have prayed this prayer together with Episcopalians, priests, Lutheran pastors, Baptist ministers, Orthodox believers, Charismatic laymen, and a Catholic archbishop. In many languages and in many countries, the Lord’s Prayer is loved.

One pastor broke the Lord’s Prayer down into these elements:

- **Papa:** “Our Father in heaven...” God is our Father. This

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title expresses the close personal relationship God has with us, His children.

- **Proclamation:** "...Hallowed be Your Name ..." Hallowed means to honor that which is holy. In Old Testament times, a person's name was an expression of who he was. So, when we honor God's Name, we honor Him.

- **Promise:** "...Your Kingdom come..." Ready or not, God's kingdom is coming. This is the cry of every believer who is waiting for the Messiah. Can we really pray this verse and mean it? Do we want God's Kingdom or our kingdom to be built? We must submit to His Lordship. When the King gives us a command, we must obey.

- **Providence:** "...Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven." This phrase asks God to make His Kingdom manifest here on earth, but it also calls on us to implement His will in every way we can. God's will is done in heaven at all times, but we must pray for His will to be done here on earth too.

- **Provision:** "Give us today our daily bread." In the desert, God provided daily manna for the Israelites. At the last supper, Jesus made the bread a symbol of His own Body. When we ask God for our daily bread, we are asking for daily sustenance, both spiritual and physical. We need to never worry about tomorrow, but simply thank Him for today's provision.

- **Pardon:** "Forgive us our debts, as we also forgive our debtors." Jesus told the parable about the man who was forgiven by the king and then refused to forgive a much smaller debt. This phrase reminds us to walk in forgiveness towards others. When we plant a seed of forgiveness, we will receive forgiveness ourselves.

- **Protection:** "And do not lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one." Even if we walk through the valley of death, God will be there with us and He will protect us.

- **Praise and Power:** "For Yours is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever." All praise belongs to the Father. All power belongs to Him. This phrase reminds us of God's om-

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nipotence, omniscience, and omnipresence. He is all-powerful, all-knowing, and eternal.

What a powerful way Jesus taught us to pray! When we incorporate these elements into our prayer life, our prayers will bear beautiful, long-lasting, life-changing fruit. Our prayers can make a difference in this world.

I trust these 31 nuggets on prayer will encourage you and propel you into a new dimension in your prayer life. Prayer is a privilege, an honor, and a responsibility God has given us as believers. Let's not take our call to prayer lightly. God needs us, our voice, our time, and our prayers to process His work on earth. Let's rise up and answer the call from heaven to pray.

Our Goal? Every Soul!



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About the Author

Daniel King and his wife Jessica met in the middle of Africa while they were both on a mission trip. They are in high demand as speakers at churches and conferences all over North America. Their passion, energy, and enthusiasm are enjoyed by audiences everywhere they go.

They are international missionary evangelists who do massive soul-winning festivals in countries around the world. Their passion for the lost has taken them to over fifty nations preaching the gospel to crowds that often exceed 50,000 people.

Daniel was called into the ministry when he was five years old and began to preach when he was six. His parents became missionaries to Mexico when he was ten. When he was fourteen he started a children's ministry that gave him the opportunity to minister in some of America's largest churches while still a teenager.

At the age of fifteen, Daniel read a book where the author encouraged young people to set a goal to earn \$1,000,000. Daniel reinterpreted the message and determined to win 1,000,000 people to Christ every year.

Daniel has authored fifteen books including his bestsellers *Healing Power*, *The Secret of Obed-Edom*, and *Fire Power*. His book *Welcome to the Kingdom* has been given away to tens of thousands of new believers.

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When Daniel King was fifteen years old, he set a goal to lead 1,000,000 people to Jesus before his 30th birthday. Instead of trying to become a millionaire, he decided to lead a million “heirs” into the kingdom of God. *“If you belong to Christ then you are heirs”* (Galatians 3:29).

After celebrating the completion of this goal, Daniel & Jessica made it their mission to go for one million souls every year.

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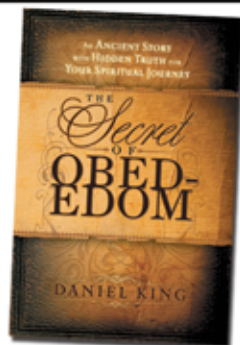
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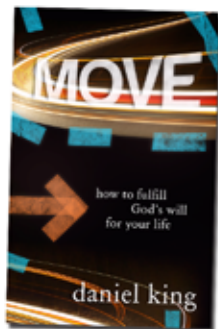
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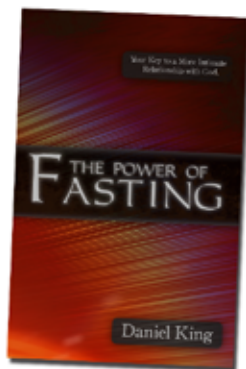
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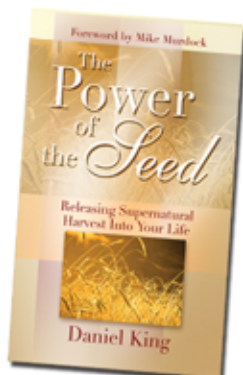
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