

Prayer

1 Impacting our World with Hope

This is what I saw one day when I was praying for New Life South.

2 PRAYER

PRAY ALL THE TIME

This is my subject today

3. TALK TO GOD

Smurfisem:

The first ever Cordless Phone was created by God.

He named it "Prayer" ...

It never loses it's signal and U never have to recharge it,

Use it Anywhere

What a gift he has given to us, that we get to talk to the living God, and he wants to spend time with us.



4. PAUL IN EPHESIANS 6:18-20

AND PRAY IN THE SPIRIT ON ALL OCCASIONS WITH ALL KINDS OF PRAYERS AND REQUESTS. WITH THIS IN MIND, BE ALERT AND **ALWAYS KEEP ON PRAYING** FOR ALL THE LORD'S PEOPLE. PRAY ALSO FOR ME, THAT WHENEVER I SPEAK, WORDS MAY BE GIVEN ME SO THAT I WILL FEARLESSLY MAKE KNOWN THE MYSTERY OF THE GOSPEL, FOR WHICH I AM AN AMBASSADOR IN CHAINS. PRAY THAT I MAY DECLARE IT FEARLESSLY, AS I SHOULD.

We are to pray always, we are also always to pray for our leaders!

5 JESUS TEACHES HIS DISIPLES TO PRAY MATT 6:9-13

"THIS, THEN, IS HOW YOU SHOULD PRAY:

"**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 HAVE FORGIVEN OUR DEBTORS.
AND LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION, BUT DELIVER US FROM THE EVIL ONE."

See this as a model of pray:

Lift up and praise God for who he is.

Ask for his will to be done

Ask for what you need

Ask for forgiveness, and to get that we need to forgive others.

Ask for guidance

Ask for protection

6 JESUS ABOUT PRAYER LUK 11:9-13

9 "SO I SAY TO YOU: **ASK AND IT WILL BE GIVEN TO YOU**; SEEK AND YOU WILL FIND; KNOCK

AND THE DOOR WILL BE OPENED TO YOU. 10 FOR EVERYONE WHO ASKS RECEIVES; THE ONE WHO SEEKS FINDS; AND TO THE ONE WHO KNOCKS, THE DOOR WILL BE OPENED.

11 "WHICH OF YOU FATHERS, IF YOUR SON ASKS FOR A FISH, WILL GIVE HIM A SNAKE INSTEAD? 12 OR IF HE ASKS FOR AN EGG, WILL GIVE HIM A SCORPION? 13 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!"

This is such a wonderful promise, so let keep this in our mind when we pray.

7 JESUS CLEANS THE TEMPLE MARK 11:15-17

15 ON REACHING JERUSALEM, JESUS ENTERED THE TEMPLE COURTS AND BEGAN DRIVING OUT THOSE WHO WERE BUYING AND SELLING THERE. HE OVERTURNED THE TABLES OF THE MONEY CHANGERS AND THE BENCHES OF THOSE SELLING DOVES, 16 AND WOULD NOT ALLOW ANYONE TO CARRY MERCHANDISE THROUGH THE TEMPLE COURTS. 17 AND AS HE TAUGHT THEM, HE SAID, "IS IT NOT WRITTEN: **'MY HOUSE WILL BE CALLED A HOUSE OF PRAYER FOR ALL NATIONS'**? BUT YOU HAVE MADE IT 'A DEN OF ROBBERS.'"

In the temple he had set up a market in the place that were meant for the non-jews, there place to pray. This is why Jesus was so upset by this. God had called the Jews to share their faith with all who would listen. God was always inclusive.

8 PAUL ENCOURAGEMENT ROM 12:11-15

11 NEVER BE LACKING IN ZEAL, BUT KEEP YOUR SPIRITUAL FERVOR, SERVING THE LORD. 12 BE JOYFUL IN HOPE, PATIENT IN AFFLICTION, **FAITHFUL IN PRAYER**. 13 SHARE WITH THE LORD'S PEOPLE WHO ARE IN NEED. PRACTICE HOSPITALITY. 14 BLESS THOSE WHO PERSECUTE YOU; BLESS AND DO NOT CURSE. 15 REJOICE WITH THOSE WHO REJOICE; MOURN WITH THOSE WHO MOURN.

It's important to keep on praying

I got really inspired by the movie "War Room"

She talks about being strategic in our prayer

She had her prayer written on paper on the walls of her closet.

She also had prayer answers on the same walls

So I got a small book and wrote prayers from the start of the book

(then I change those to prayer cards that I glued in to the book)

The I wrote answers and promises from the end of the book.

Now I want to challenge you to do the same, and pray through those every day

9 PRAYER CARDS

So I now want to challenge all of you to write a prayer for New Life South and then pray it every day!

10 THE PROMISE MATT 7:7

ASK AND IT WILL BE GIVEN TO YOU; SEEK AND YOU WILL FIND; KNOCK AND THE DOOR WILL BE OPENED TO YOU.

11 QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

- WHAT ARE PRAYER FOR YOU?
 - IS IT IMPORTANT TO PRAY BY ONE SELF?
 - WHEN & HOW DO YOU PRAY? – PLACE – TIME – NEED
 - WHY DO YOU PRAY?
- HOW DOES PRAYER HELP YOU IN YOUR DAILY LIFE?
- HOW DOES PRAYER DEVELOP YOUR PERSONAL DISCIPLESHIP?
- WHY ARE PRAYER IMPORTANT TO US CHRISTIANS?