

# Christian Living Studies – Study 24

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(A simple, comprehensive bible study for NEW CHRISTIANS)

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## Growing in service

### STUDY 24                      POWER IN PRAYER

#### CHRIST'S INTERCESSION

1. When did He pray? (Mark 1:35, Matthew 14:23)
2. For what did He pray? (John 17:9, 15, 20 – 21, Matthew 26:42, Luke 23:33 – 34)
3. What is Jesus doing for you right now? (Hebrews 7:25)
4. Who helps you in prayer? (Romans 8:26)

#### WHAT DISQUALIFIES PRAYER?

5. What are three hindrances to answered prayer? (Isaiah 59:1 – 2, Proverbs 28:9, James 4:6)
6. Write out James 4:3 in your own words.
7. In Luke 18:9 – 14
  - a. Why was the Pharisees' prayer not acceptable to God?
  - b. Why was the publican's prayer accepted?
  - c. To whom did the Pharisee really pray?
8. What is another hindrance to prayer and what is the remedy? (Matthew 5:23 – 24)
9. Write out 1 Timothy 2:8 in your own words.

#### GROUP PRAYER

10. In the prayer meeting described in Acts 12:5
  - a. What was its purpose?
  - b. Who were present?
  - c. How did they pray?

- d. What was the result? (Acts 12:6 – 11)
- 11. What is one important requirement for group prayer? (Matthew 18:19)
- 12. Consider Acts 1:14. List two or three facts about this prayer meeting.
- 13. What did Paul and Silas do when they were beaten and illegally imprisoned in Philippi? (Acts 16:25)

#### PAUL'S EXAMPLE

- 14. In Ephesians 3:14 – 21
  - a. To whom did he pray?
  - b. What did he ask the Holy Spirit to do for them?
  - c. What did he ask to be established in ?
  - d. What did he pray that they might understand?
  - e. What did he pray that he might be filled with?
  - f. What kind of answers did he expect?
  - g. With whose glory was Paul concerned?

Read Colossians 1:9 – 12

#### PERSISTENCE IN PRAYER

- 15. God honours importunity. (Luke 11:1 – 10)
  - a. What did the disciples ask?
  - b. What caused the man to grant his friend's request?
  - c. How did Jesus summarise this teaching?
- 16. What did Jesus do before an important decision? (Luke 6:12)
- 17. What does Jesus want you to do? (Luke 18:1)
- 18. What did Daniel risk to openly continue his regular times of prayer to God? (Daniel 6:1 – 10)
- 19. 2 Chronicles 7:14 shows how you can have an effect on your country.
  - a. What action is needed?
  - b. What does God promise?
- 20. On a piece of paper make a list of things you can thank God for. Use Psalm 100, 103, 104, and 145 as a guide.