

The Power of Prayer In Missions



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"Prayer is the mighty engine that is to move the missionary work." -
A.B. Simpson

Daniel 6:10-16

A View of Daniel in Prayer:

In missions you can count on one thing – the unexpected. Prayer has to become a daily habit event in the face of ridicule.

Ways to React in An Emergency:

1. We can Panic _____
2. We Can Become paralyzed _____
3. We can Pray _____

A. Daniels Verdict? Guilty of Prayer

- His daily practice was prayer- 3 times per day
- It had become his “Holy Habit” his “Go- To” behavior.
- He was at one with God and his Presence.
- What is your habit? What is your “Go-To” when things go wrong?

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

B. What does the Bible Say about our “Go to” habit? “

Philippians 5:6-7

⁶ Be anxious for nothing, but in **everything** by prayer and *supplication*, with **thanksgiving**, let your requests be made known to God; ⁷ and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your *hearts* and *minds* through Christ Jesus.

C. What is the Power of Thanksgiving?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Start listing the things God has done- nothing but Power? Why?

HE INHABITS (dwells) among the praises of his people- Ps. 22:3

II Lifestyle Praying

I Thessalonians 5:16-18

¹⁶ Rejoice always, ¹⁷ **pray without ceasing**, ¹⁸ in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

A. What does pray without ceasing look like?

1. Praying at different times (Psalm 63:1)
2. Praying during times of waiting (Acts 6:4)
 - Pray for businesses you pass in your car
 - Pray for cars around you at a red light
 - Pray while waiting in line for that business
 - Pray that God will bless neighborhoods you drive by
 - Pray for your neighbors, pray for those you walk by in a store

- Pray over the headlines as you read the news – pray for those leaders, the country, the saints in that nation.

B. How does it strengthen the relationship between you and God?

- Becomes intimate- God becomes real to you.
- “Be much alone with God, and take time to get thoroughly acquainted. Converse over everything with Him. Unburden yourself wholly –every thought, feeling, wish, plan, doubt– to Him...He wants not merely to be on good terms with you, but to be intimate.” – **Horatius Bonar**
- What do you want me to do about this?
- How do you feel about this person for this job God?
- Who do you need me to send to today that is a person of influence over many souls in my country?
- Who do I need to call? Who do you want me to email today? Who should I text?

Examples:

- God What do you think about that?
- Lord I praise You- Thank you
- God I need your Wisdom- I need your direction

Daniel was accustomed to being in the presence of God

III The Lion

Daniel 6:17-28

- Frederick Selous Experience in 1885 Kruger Park as listed in the Sporting Classics Magazine
- Antione Yates – NYC
- Daniel was 80 years old when put into the den

A. The enemy is real

I Peter 5:8- NKJV

⁸ Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.

B. How do we fight?

Ephesians 6:10-18

1. Put on the _____
2. We do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against

3. Waist with _____
4. Breastplate of _____
5. Feet shod with the Preparation of the Gospel of _____
6. _____
7. _____ Salvation
8. Sword _____

We forget what verse 18 is found in this passage when speaking of spiritual warfare.

¹⁸ praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints—

Notice all things are defensive except:

Sword of the Spirit (Word of God) & Prayer are your two offensive weapons.