

Continual Praying Key Passages

Pray secretly (pray to God, not “to” people; pray to be heard by God, not people)

Matt 6:5-6 ⁵ "And when you pray, you shall not be like the hypocrites. For they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the corners of the streets, that they may be seen by men. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward. ⁶ "But you, when you pray, go into your room, and when you have shut your door, pray to your Father who *is* in the secret *place*; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly.

Pray concisely (more words ≠ better praying – use all the words you need, but don’t pad your prayers)

Matt 6:7-13 ⁷ "And when you pray, do not use vain repetitions as the heathen *do*. For they think that they will be heard for their many words. ⁸ "Therefore do not be like them. For your Father knows the things you have need of before you ask Him. ⁹ "In this manner, therefore, pray: Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. ¹⁰ Your kingdom come. Your will be done On earth as *it is* in heaven. ¹¹ Give us this day our daily bread. ¹² And forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors. ¹³ And do not lead us into temptation, But deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Pray continually

Luke 18:1 Then He spoke a parable to them, that men always ought to pray and not lose heart,

Eph 6:18a ¹⁸ praying always...

1 Thes 5:17 pray without ceasing,

Pray persistently (patiently keep asking)

Luke 18:2-8 ² saying: "There was in a certain city a judge who did not fear God nor regard man. ³ "Now there was a widow in that city; and she came to him, saying, 'Get justice for me from my adversary.' ⁴ "And he would not for a while; but afterward he said within himself, 'Though I do not fear God nor regard man, ⁵ 'yet because this widow troubles me I will avenge her, lest by her continual coming she weary me.' " ⁶ Then the Lord said, "Hear what the unjust judge said. ⁷ "And shall God not avenge His own elect who cry out day and night to Him, though He bears long with them? ⁸ "I tell you that He will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will He really find faith on the earth?"

Pray evangelistically

Eph 6:19-20 ¹⁹ and for me, that utterance may be given to me, that I may open my mouth boldly to make known the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰ for which I am an ambassador in chains; that in it I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.

Col 4:3-4 ³ meanwhile praying also for us, that God would open to us a door for the word, to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am also in chains, ⁴ that I may make it manifest, as I ought to speak.

Pray corporately (for others)

Eph 6:18 praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints --

Pray completely (all)

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Pray watchfully (alert and aware of what is going on around you, tuned into danger?)

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Colossians 4:2 Continue earnestly in prayer, being vigilant in it with thanksgiving;

Pray thankfully

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1 Thes 5:18 in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

Pray proactively / confidently

Phil 4:6 Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God;

Pray knowingly, seriously & soberly

1 Pet 4:7 But the end of all things is at hand; therefore be serious and watchful in your prayers.