

Prayer

Romans 1:9-For God is my witness, whom I serve with my spirit in the gospel of his Son, that without ceasing I make mention of you always in my prayers. (KJV)

Prayer is always worth thinking about, considering and putting into action. The believer's relationship with God is shaped and formed through prayer. Believers talk to God in prayer in the most heart-felt and intimate ways. The innermost thoughts and concerns are revealed to God in personal prayer. The desire for mercy and forgiveness is made known to God by prayer.

2 Corinthians 1:11- Ye also helping together by prayer for us, that for the gift bestowed upon us by the means of many persons thanks may be given by many on our behalf. (KJV)

Prayer also involves the believer's relationships with others in daily life. Praying for others and being the recipient of prayers of others is effective. Apostle Paul wrote of praying for others and being the recipient of prayer. Resistance will arise when a person chooses to pray and must be overcome. The Lord gives strength to the believer serious about engaging in prayer.

Ephesians 1:16-Cease not to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers; (KJV)

Being grateful to God and to and for others has a constant place in prayer. Apostle Paul's expressions of gratitude in prayer have endured for centuries. God's goodness and the goodness of those in our life merits grateful prayer. Innermost expressions of prayer reveal the believer's treasured values. It is always helpful to learn about the Apostle Paul's prayerful example.

Philippians 1:19-For I know that this shall turn to my salvation through your prayer, and the supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ, (KJV)

Serious prayer leads to action in the believer and has an effect on others. Being attentive to the prayers of others results in feelings of gratitude. Prayer is effective and works only due to the goodness and mercy of God. Good that occurs among believers through prayer is really God at work. Believers can only do good by prayer that is blessed and allowed by God.

Colossians 4:2-Continue in prayer, and watch in the same with thanksgiving (KJV)

Remaining fully conscious of God is essential when engaging in prayer. Continuing in prayer throughout life keeps the believer united with God. Relationships are strengthened and develop when formed through prayer. Forgiveness and repentance are greatly facilitated by serious prayer. Prayer serves believers in their journey to God's Kingdom and eternal life.

Holy Apostles Archippus, Philemon and Apphia. February 19/March 4, 2026. Father Rodney Torbic