

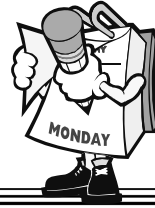
Text: Colossians 4:2a
Topic: Prayer. Devotion.
Series: The Book of Colossians

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part 1
Prayer 101
Making Prayer Your Daily Habit



1. Ponder _____

Colossians 4:2

*Devote
yourselves to
prayer, being
watchful and
thankful. (NIV)*

2. Resolve _____

3. Never _____

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's message. It is also helpful to discuss your answers with others. This can take place with friends, your family, accountability partners, or ministry groups within the church.

1. Honestly describe the quality of your prayer life.

How much time would you say you devote to prayer on an average day?

What are some of the reasons and/or excuses you have given yourself (and God) for not devoting more time and energy to prayer?

2. In what way do you think you have undervalued the privilege of prayer?

3. Write out a prayer that reflects a renewed commitment to your daily prayer time.

Where, when and for how long will you plan to pray this week?

4. List ten things you should be praying about more often.

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| 2) | 7) |
| 3) | 8) |
| 4) | 9) |
| 5) | 10) |

Read through the Bible in a year! Here is this week's schedule.

Sunday

Hos. 9-10 & 1Jn. 1

Monday

Hos. 11-12 & 1Jn. 2

Tuesday

Hos. 13-14 & 1Jn. 3

Wednesday

Joel & 1Jn. 4

Thursday

Am. 1-2 & 1Jn. 5

Friday

Am. 3-4 & 2 John

Saturday

Am. 5-6 & 3 John

Here are some titles that may help rekindle your prayer life.

Bounds, E. M. ***The Complete Works of E. M. Bounds on Prayer***. Grand Rapids: Baker Books, 1990.
Carson, D. A. ***A Call to Spiritual Reformation: Priorities from Paul and His Prayers***. Grand Rapids, Baker Books, 1992.
Hybels, Bill. ***Too Busy Not to Pray: Slowing Down to Be With God***. Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 1998.
Jeremiah, David. ***Prayer: The Great Adventure***. Sisters, OR: Multnomah Publishers, 1997.
Lockyer, Herbert. ***All the Prayers of the Bible***. Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House, 1959.
Murray, Andrew. ***The Best of Andrew Murray on Prayer***. Uhrichsville, OH: Barbour Publishing, 1997.
Ryken, Philip Graham. ***When You Pray: Making the Lord's Prayer Your Own***. Wheaton: Crossway Books, 2000.
Spurgeon, C. H. ***The Power of Prayer in a Believer's Life***. Reprint. Lynnwood, WA: Emerald Books, 1996.
Torrey, R. A. ***How to Pray***. New Kensington, PN: Whitaker House, 1983.
Torrey, R. A., C. H. Spurgeon, et al. ***A Closer Walk with God: Prayer as a Way of Life***. Reprint. Lynnwood, WA: Emerald Books, 1997.