1. Good Praying is ____________________  (vv.1-2a)

2. Godly ____________________________  (v.1)

3. Prayer Life ____________________________

   A.

   B.

   C.
Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today’s sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today’s study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. Read Matthew 26:40-41. What in your experience makes thoughtful, focused, and alert praying such a challenge?

2. Read 1 Timothy 2:1 and Philippians 4:6. What are some of the barriers you’ve encountered to praying about more situations and for more people? How can you overcome these barriers?

When your prayers narrow to just a few things (due to a lack of diligence), about what do you end up regularly praying? What is the danger of having such a short prayer list and prayer time?

3. Read 1 Samuel 12:23. There were clearly a variety of circumstances and people for which Samuel knew he must pray. Why do think it is hard for Christians these days to see brief, narrow, and paltry praying as a sin?

4. Read 1 Peter 4:7. How can a persistent thought of Christ’s imminent return motivate you to pray better and more comprehensively?

The following related sermons are also available for free as mp3 downloads or audio streaming on the Focal Point Website (FocalPointMinistries.org).

Msg. 11-16 – How to Pray and Making Sure We Do
Msg. 05-58 – Three Poignant Questions About Your Prayer Life
Msg. 06-65 – The Basic Attitudinal Approach to Prayer
Msg. 04-14 – Making Your Communication with God Purposeful
Msg. 01-35 – Making Prayer Your Daily Habit
Msg. 00-36 – Prayer Warriors: Understanding the Battle
Msg. M14-03 – Basic Instructions to Revitalize Your Praying

This Week’s Bible Reading Schedule
May 10th
1Kgs.21-22 & Jn.3:1-21
May 11th
2Kgs.1-3 & Jn.3:22-36
May 12th
2Kgs.4-5 & Jn.4:1-30
May 13th
2Kgs.6-8 & Jn.4:31-54
May 14th
2Kgs.9-11 & Jn.5:1-24
May 15th
2Kgs.12-14 & Jn.5:25-47
May 16th
2Kgs.15-17 & Jn.6:1-21
May 17th
2Kgs.18-19 & Jn.6:22-44

This Week’s Social Media Hashtag
#CompassPrays
For users of Twitter, Facebook, or other social media sites for the grouping of sermon quotes, helpful insights, or your sharable applications drawn from today’s sermon.

Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today’s sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today’s topic.