

“The Intercessor’s Intercessor”

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INTRODUCTION

- what we know with certainty regarding prayer...
1 Thess. 5:16-18; Rom. 12:12; Eph. 6:18; Col. 4:2

- why prayer is an essential mark of a Christian

“The self-sufficient do not pray, the self-satisfied will not pray,
the self-righteous cannot pray.” — *Leonard Ravenhill*

“The end of prayer is not so much tangible answers as a deepening
life of dependency...the avenue of sweet, intimate, and intense
fellowship of the soul with the infinite Creator.” — *John Hannah*

- why a Christian *must* pray
Mt. 6:7-10; 1 Jn. 5:14-15

1. The Spirit’s help in weakness

- weakness in the battle with sin
Rom. 7:21

- “in the same way”: the Spirit’s “help”
Jn. 14:16-17; Lk. 10:40

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2. The Spirit’s help in prayer

- deliverance thru suffering, or strength thru suffering?
Phil. 1:19 — Jn. 12:27-28

- 1 disciple: 2 Intercessors
Rom. 8:34

- how the Spirit helps our praying

→ teaching us God’s will
2 Cor. 12:7-10

→ repackaging our prayers into God’s will

- the “groanings” of the Spirit

- ways the Spirit intercedes consistently for us

→ that we be unsatisfied w/ the world & hungry for God

“True prayer is not the noisy sound/ That clamorous lips
repeat/ But the deep silence of the soul/ That clasps Jehovah’s
feet.” — *Charles Spurgeon*

→ that we be more like Jesus Christ
Rom. 8:29

APPLICATION

“Is prayer your steering wheel or your spare tire?”
— *Corrie ten Boom*