



# Change Things Through Prayer

## Pray All the Time

### Leader's Notes

#### I. You should always pray.

- Prayer is always available to everyone.
- God's Word is available and Jesus' Name is offered to whoever will believe.
- There is no situation that will disqualify you from prayer.
  - Luke 18:1, *"Men always ought to pray and not lose heart" (NKJV).*
- God's Word is His part in your prayers.
- No one is good enough in his own strength.
- The Holy Spirit has come to give you His strength to pray.
- Jesus is the Savior from self-pity, low self-esteem, oppression and depression.

#### II. As you pray you need fundamental knowledge of God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

- You must accept three truths to align your thinking with God.
  - Prayer is not trying to get God's attention.
    - God's eyes and ears are open to your prayers.
    - 1 Peter 3:12, *"The eyes of the Lord watch over those who do right, and his ears are open to their prayers" (NLT).*
    - Hebrews 4:13, *"Nothing in all creation is hidden from God. Everything is naked and exposed before his eyes, and he is the one to whom we are accountable" (NLT).*





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- Prayer is not trying to get God to do something.
  - God has already done everything.
- Prayer is communication with God—believing and receiving what He has already given to us in Christ Jesus.
  - God has given you help to pray—the Holy Spirit, the Name of Jesus, the armor of God, faith and God’s Word to change your thinking, acting and speaking.
  - Cast down thoughts against God’s promises.
  - 2 Corinthians 10:4-5, *“For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ” (NKJV).*
- These things are true and available to everyone who is born again.
- God sent Jesus to the cross and raised Him from the dead
  - Romans 10:6-8, *“But faith’s way of getting right with God says, ‘Don’t say in your heart, “Who will go up to heaven?” (to bring Christ down to earth). And don’t say, “Who will go down to the place of the dead?” (to bring Christ back to life again).’ In fact, it says, “The message is very close at hand; it is on your lips and in your heart” (NLT).*
- Prayer is near you, even in your mouth—the prayer of faith.
- Your job is to pray according to the Word of God in the Name of Jesus.
- There are no barriers between my prayers and God.

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## III. Weapons are to be used in prayer.

- You can use God's armor as a weapon to defeat the devil.
  - Ephesians 6:10-13, *"A final word: Be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on all of God's armor so that you will be able to stand firm against all strategies of the devil. For we are not fighting against flesh-and-blood enemies, but against evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against mighty powers in this dark world, and against evil spirits in the heavenly places. Therefore, put on every piece of God's armor so you will be able to resist the enemy in the time of evil. Then after the battle you will still be standing firm" (NLT).*
- These weapons are not to be used against people.
  - We must not use our words to cooperate with the devil. He will use our prayers against them as a door to curse them.
  - Use the armor of God in cooperation with Him to change things.
- Definition of *might*—"the ability to accomplish anything."
  - Use God's "might" so you may be able to stand in God's power against the wiles of the devil.
- The armor of God is specifically for prayer.

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## Quote From Kenneth Copeland

*The only situation from which there is no deliverance is the rebellious refusal to pray at all.*

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## Confession

I pray to communicate with God. I believe His Word and I receive the answers to my prayers as I pray in Jesus' Name. I use the armor of God to defeat the enemy and stand firm watching my God change things.

In the Name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

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