



Fulfill Your Purpose In Prayer

Pray without ceasing.

1 Thess. 5:17

**Father, I thank You that You
have heard Me.**

St. John 11:41



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– Why do you think prayer is important?

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- Prov. 19:21-There are many plan in a man's heart, Nevertheless the Lord's counsel (purpose)-that will stand.
- When you don't know why you do what you do-You abuse it.
- When you don't know why you have what you have-You will lose it and/or abuse it.

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- We need to seek God's presence (His Face) to prepare for His coming and to know the mind of God and His ways.
- Sometimes we only seek His hands when we need something (when we are in trouble) and we only get to see His acts (e.g. Children of Israel in the desert)

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- Prayer is God giving man a license to impact planet earth.
- No matter how big your church and how great your worship without prayer, you are not receiving the blessings that God wants you to have.
- Prayer is not an option but a command. Jesus expects us to pray.
- Matt 6:5-And **WHEN YOU** pray....

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- Prayer is necessary for the supernatural interference of God.
- But **seek ye first the kingdom of God**, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. Matt. 6:33
- Every one should be praying. Prayer is not just for a few. Prayer is not on age, how many years you've been born again or how spiritual you feel you are. Men/Women should always prayer and never faint. Luke 18:1

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- Prayer exist because God never oversteps His word.
- Gen. 1:26-Let us make **man** and **let them have dominion.** Over all the earth.
- God keeps His word.
- He gave us Keys to His Kingdom (Prayer-Talking to God)-I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.“ Matt. 16:19



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– If my **people**, who are **called** by my **name**, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land. II Chron. 7:14 Young's Literal Translation



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– Why is it that many people don't spend time in prayer?

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- Prayer is not time wasted but time invested.
- Don't get so caught up or entangled in the affairs of this life that you forget about God.
- You want to be like Jesus? He talked (prayed) to God our Father.

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- Luke 11:1-Now it came to pass, as He was praying in a certain place, when He ceased, that one of His disciples said to Him. “Lord, teach us to pray....
- Corporate (group) prayer is important and prayer also has to be a priority in spending personal time with God.
- Develop your own personal relationship with God to prepare for His coming.

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- The disciples notices that after Jesus spends time in prayer with His Father, He does great and wonderful works and miracles.
- We may want to be effective in ministry but we won't take time to sit in God's presence to talk to Him.



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- Jesus rose up early and made prayer a priority because He understood His ministry was to God and not to man.
- We want to be prepared to for ministry but sometimes spend more time with man than we do with God.
- Some things come by prayer and fasting.



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- What are some steps to keeping a strong prayer life?

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How To Keep A Strong Prayer Life

- **Thank God**-Increase your thanks for the good things God is doing in your life. It's because He is with us that we are blessed.
- **Believe that Prayer Works**-Believe never doubting or wavering James 1:5-8

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How To Keep A Strong Prayer Life

- **Remember What He Has Done**-Meditate on His goodness. Keep a journal or list of the things God has done for you.
- **Be Consistent in Prayer** (talk to Him daily)-Stand Firm without giving up. Eph. 6:13-14
- **Forgive Quickly**-If you don't forgive, He can't forgive you and your prayer will be hindered.



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Resources:

- The Purpose of Prayer-Myles Munroe