



Persist in Prayer
Colossians 4:2-6

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Colossians 4:2

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

1. FERVENT

James 5:16 " *...The intense prayer of the righteous is very powerful.*" (HCSB)

1. FERVENT

DANGER

Apostle Paul before his conversion ...

2. IMPORTANT

I Thessalonians 5:17 “*Pray without ceasing*” (KJV)

3. RELATIONSHIP

Matthew 6:33--"Seek first ~~His~~ <God's> Kingdom and His righteousness...."

3. RELATIONSHIP

Isaiah 56:7 *"...My house will be called a house of prayer for all nations."*

4. EXPECT

Ephesians 6:19 *"Pray also for me, that whenever I speak, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel"*

4. EXPECT

Psalm 67:1-2 " May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face shine on us--² so that your ways may be known on earth, your salvation among all nations."

4. EXPECT

Exodus 3:7 & 10 ⁷ *The LORD said, "I have indeed seen the misery of my people.... I have heard them crying out..., and I am concerned about their suffering. ¹⁰ So now, go. I am sending you.... "*

4. EXPECT

Matthew 28:19-20 "¹⁹ Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you."

4. EXPECT

Matthew 5:16 *" In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven. "*

4. EXPECT

Revelation 7:9 "*... a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and ... wearing white robes...*"

BE WATCHFUL

Colossians 4:2 *"Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful...."*

Matthew 26:41 *"Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation."*

BE WATCHFUL

- Temptation
 - Selfishness
 - Only focus on feelings
 - Worry when facing tough times and difficult people

BE WATCHFUL

- Be Thankful

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Continue to be devoted to God's Kingdom and to prayer.

1. **Fervent:** Be passionate in your prayer and in your service.
2. **Important:** Make prayer and seeking God's Kingdom, priorities in your life.
3. **Relationship:** Remember that it is actually all about our relationship with God.

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4. **Expect:** As you pray and serve, expect good things from God regardless of the circumstances.

F I R E

- Continue to be watchful.
- Continue to be thankful.