

# **Making Prayer a Priority in Life**

## **Colossian 4:2-4**

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<sup>2</sup> Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful. <sup>3</sup> And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains. <sup>4</sup> Pray that I may proclaim it clearly, as I should.

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1) Period of time for prayer - find a time when you are at your best Ecclesiastes 3:1-8, Colossians 4:2-4

2) A place to pray - setting a special room or place to pray. Matthew 6:5-6

3) Plan what to pray - create a prayer list of requests with dates along with answers to these prayers.

- Be thankful to God for the good and the bad
  - pray for guidance in life and in scripture
- Matthew 6:7-15, Ephesians 6:18

We need to pray regularly and with dedication. Yes we should live in prayer, praying always. Also we need a special time for only talking to God. This will make prayer a priority in life

This will give us:

- intimacy with God
- guidance in everything
- understanding of who we are praying to
- see things in God's perspective
- we will grow spiritually
- we will be fruitful
- learning to be thankful and patient

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