



Prayer Warriors

The New Testament contains many examples of the Apostle Paul requesting prayers. Today, we can learn the importance of praying for Church leadership, and also what we should be praying for.

Strive together in Prayers for Paul:

(Rom 15:30-32 KJV) Now I beseech you, brethren, for the Lord Jesus Christ's sake, and for [dia- through agape] the love [agape] of the Spirit [right spiritual behavior], that ye strive together with me in *your* prayers [proseuche] to God for me; {31} That I may be delivered from them that do not believe in Judaea; and that my service which *I have* for Jerusalem may be accepted of [eis – completely unto, or en – in] the saints; {32} That I may come [having come] unto you with joy by the will of God, and



may with you be refreshed.

In parallel, we should strive together in prayers for our leadership. This is a spiritual -agape act. It is proper Church behavior-deliverance from believers that do not believe, acceptable service to the saints; refreshing the saints. We are to strive to be this way.

Proseuche

Proseuche is earnest prayer, a type of prayer that takes place over a long period of time and that is done with great earnest. It is the type of prayer that Jesus said was needed to put spiritual problems at bay, the type of prayer that Jesus used before

his crucifixion while his disciples were sleeping, the type of prayer that the apostles did for the church, and the same type of prayer that the disciples offered daily in the temple. It is the type of prayer that you do on a prayer day.

Acts 6:4 But we will give ourselves continually to prayer [proseuche], and to the ministry of the word.

That thanks may be given by many:

(2 Cor 1:11 KJV) Ye also helping together by prayer for us, that for the gift *bestowed* upon us by [dia - through] the means of many persons *thanks may be given by many on our behalf* [might be the focus of thanksgiving for us]

Praying is considered a helpful act; collectively, our prayers lift the focus of thanksgiving to God.

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Speaking in Tongues is giving thanks well.

(1 Cor 14:16-17 KJV)
Else when thou shalt bless with the spirit, how shall he that occupieth the room of the unlearned say Amen at thy giving of thanks, seeing he understandeth not what thou sayest? {17} For thou verily givest thanks well, but the other is not edified.

That utterance may be given unto Paul to make known the mystery of the gospel:

(Eph 6:18-19 KJV)
Praying [proseuchomai] always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints; {19} And for me, that utterance [logos] may be given unto me, that *I may open my mouth boldly* [in the opening of my mouth with boldness], to make known the mystery of the *gospel* [glad tidings],

Pray that utterance may be given unto leadership so that they may open their mouths to make known the mystery of the *gospel* [glad tidings]. Literally praying that Paul is given the words to speak.

Turn to wholeness and the supply of the spirit:

(Phil 1:18-19 KJV)
What then? notwithstanding, every way, whether in pretence, or in truth, Christ is preached; and I therein do rejoice, yea, and will rejoice. {19} For I know that this shall turn to my salvation [shall turn out to (or become) wholeness] through your prayer [deesis – petition], and the supply [contribution] of the Spirit of Jesus Christ,

Prayer becomes or issues in wholeness; the supply of the spirit of Christ in You issues in wholeness. The context renders this prayer as speaking in tongues. Speaking in Tongues contributes to wholeness; the supply of Christ in You contributes to wholeness.

Deesis

Deesis is a petition or request. It's like a list of things you give to God.

Luke 1:13 But the angel said unto him, Fear not, Zacharias: for thy prayer [deesis] is heard; and thy wife Elisabeth shall bear thee a son, and thou shalt call his name John.

Deesis is used of prayers for specific requests like praying that someone has believing, healing, power, boldness, etc. It is used when asking for forgiveness.

Open Doors of Utterance to speak the mystery of [the] Christ:

(Col 4:2-3 KJV) Continue in prayer [proseuche], and watch in the same with thanksgiving; {3} Withal praying [proseuchomai] also for us, that God would open unto us a door of utterance [of the word - logos], to speak the mystery of [the] Christ, for which I *am also in bonds* [have been bound also]:

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Pray that God would open to leadership a door of utterance to speak the mystery of Christ.

I shall be given unto you:

(Phile 1:22 KJV) But withal prepare me also a lodging: for I trust that through your prayers [proseuche] I shall be given [granted] unto you.

Pray that leadership can be given unto you.

That the Word of the Lord may have free course and be glorified:

(2 Th 3:1 KJV) Finally, brethren, pray [proseuchomai] for us, that the word [logos] of the Lord may have free course, and be glorified [may run and be glorified], even as it is with you:

Pray that the word of the Lord may have free course and be glorified. With prayer, the Lord's logos can and will run and be glorified. It is alive, an entity unto itself. The Word running and being glorified among believers is considered normal, but this must be prayed into

action. You do this by praying for leadership, asking that the word can run and be glorified.

Pray for persuasion regarding maintaining proper conduct with the believers:

(Heb 13:18 KJV) Pray [proseuchomai] for us: for we trust we have a good conscience, in all things willing to live honestly.

This verse is mistranslated.

Literal: Earnestly pray for us, for we persuade ourselves that we have a good conscience in the matter of well-conduct.

Leadership is to strive for this:

1. To have a good conscience regarding proper conduct among the believers.
2. They were persuaded, but needed prayer to aid in this persuasion. They held proper conduct in high esteem.

Primary emphasis of prayer for leadership:

1. Acceptable service.
2. Refreshing the saints.
3. Deliverance from unbelieving believers.
4. Thanksgiving unto God via Speaking in Tongues.
5. Putting the logos in the mouths of leadership.
6. Make known the mystery of the glad tidings.
7. Speaking in Tongues contributes to wholeness; the supply of Christ in You contributes to wholeness.
8. Open doors of the logos in order to speak the mystery of the Christ.
9. That leadership can be given unto you.
10. That the Word of the Lord may run and be glorified.
11. Persuasion of having a good conscience in the matter of well-conduct.

These are the things that Paul, for his behalf, requested prayer. This is God's word. God wants us to incorporate these requests into our prayer life. Acceptable service, refreshing the saints, deliverance from unbelieving believers and unbelieving believers, giving of thanks well, logos in our mouths,

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Much Love in Christ.

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