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United in Prayer

Ephesians 3:14-21

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[14] For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, [15] from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, [16] that according to the riches of His glory He may grant you to be strengthened with power through His Spirit in your inner being, [17] so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, [18] may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, [19] and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. —Ephesians 3:14-19

PRAYER IS …

1. A Personal _____ with God

"Prayer is not striking a piñata or asking God for goodies. It begins and ends in worship." —Tony Merida

Consequently, He is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them. —Hebrews 7:25

[14] Since then we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. [15] For we do not have a High Priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. [16] Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. —Hebrews 4:14-16

"Prayer is beyond any question the highest activity of the human soul. Man is at his greatest and highest when upon his knees he comes face to face with God." —Martyn-Lloyd Jones

2. A Relational _____ with Other Believers

Notes:

3. An Intentional _____ for God to Work in Us

• To Trade Our _____ for His _____

• To Move From _____ to _____

[16] Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. [17] And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him. —Colossians 3:16-17

• To live _____ and _____ in the _____ of God

"It's so long, that your old age cannot wear it out, so long your continual tribulation cannot exhaust it, your successive temptations shall not drain it dry; like eternity itself it knows no bounds." —Charles Haddon Spurgeon

• To Exchange Our _____ for His _____

"It is said that nature abhors a vacuum. This explains why air and water will automatically flow into an empty space. The divine nature abhors a vacuum. God wants us (His created people) to experience His fullness." —Warren Wiersbe

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