

How can we pray for one another and our church this week?

Quotes to Ponder

There may be no beauty of elocution about such prayers, no length of expression, no depth of doctrine, nor accuracy of diction; but if the whole heart be in them they will find their way to the heart of God.

Bubbles please boys, but men prize those things which are solid and substantial, with a foundation and a bottom to them which will bear the test of ages.

Charles Spurgeon

God looks not at the elegancy of your prayers, to see how neat they are; nor yet at the geometry of your prayers, to see how long they are; nor yet at the arithmetic of your prayers, to see how many they are; nor yet at the music of your prayers, nor yet at the sweetness of your voice, nor yet at the logic of your prayers; but at the sincerity of your prayers, how hearty they are.

Thomas Brooks

We should make the prayerful study of the Word one of the top priorities for our time, something that is never squeezed out by other things.

Timothy Keller

Experience has taught him that the best time to call for help is before he needs it.

Gene Cunningham

Biblical meditation is hard work, but the reward is worth it — a consistent, victorious Christian life.

Ronald A. Jenson

This book is not my God, but it's where I meet Him; it is His words, His voice, where He still speaks today.

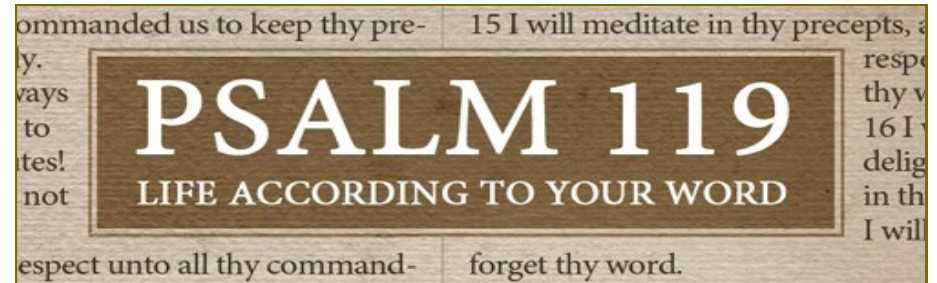
Brian Janssen

In supplication, we must not only call upon God but continue to call upon God. We must not only pray, but pray without ceasing. We must not only cry with the voice, but with the holy vehemens of the soul. We must not only pray with the heart, but from the whole heart. Our attitude must be the attitude of Jacob - I will not let you go until you bless me!

William Plumer

Because of God's nearness, believers should not be fearful, anxious, or wavering. They should not collapse, but be strong and stable.

John MacArthur



#22: Qoph, Verses 145-152

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1. Pray Wholeheartedly

2. Pray Without Ceasing

3. Pray Biblically

4. Pray in Faith

1. What in the text/sermon impacted you most? Encouraged you? Con-
victed you? Challenged you? Confused you?

2. What does this section of *Psalm 119* (verses 145-152) teach about God?

About His Word?

About mankind?

3. In *Psalm 119:145-147* what verbal action has the author taken?

4. What seems to be cause of the author's angst (*Psalm 119:150*)?

5. What does the psalmist do *before dawn* and during *the night watches*
(*Psalm 119:147-148*)?

6. What does the poet do continuously in *verses 145-148*?

7. In what context does the writer expect God's response will come and
what does this mean?

Verse 149 —

Verse 152 —

8. What does *verse 150* tell us about the writer's persecutors?

9. What is the correct response to every situation where God's Word is
concerned?

10. Read *John 15:7*. Are these things separate activities, different things?
Explain.

11. When is the right time to approach God in prayer?

12. Charles Spurgeon outlines this section with the following questions.
Verse 145: How did he pray?

Verse 146: What did he pray?

Verse 147: When did he pray?

Verse 148: How long did he pray?

Verse 149: What did he plead for?

Verse 150: What happened?

Verse 151: How was he rescued?

Verse 152: What was his witness to the whole thing?

13. Read *Deuteronomy 4:7*, *Psalm 145:18-19*, and *Philippians 4:5*. What
do each of these verses say?

Does *James 4:8* contradict the verses above? Explain.

Reflection Questions: Do I value God's Word? What do I do that proves I
value it? If God is near to me, am I near to God? How earnest and
whole-hearted are my prayers? What's the last Scripture I meditated
on?