

Compendium of Bible Truth on Prayer

The servants of the Living and True God (1 Thes. 1:9) are to pray daily (Psalm 86:3), are to call upon God in the morning, at noon and in the evening (Psalm 55:16-17) as the prophet Daniel prayed upon his knees three times per day and gave thanks before his God (Dan. 6:10), are to offer unto him their thanksgiving, pay their vows to Him, call upon Him in the day of trouble and glorify him (Psalm 50:14). The prayers of the upright are His delight (Prov. 15:8) and when they pray, seek, call and search unto Him with all their hearts, He hearkens unto them and they find Him (Jer. 29:12-13). Christ said that men ought always to pray and not faint (Luke 18:1), that whatsoever they ask in prayer, believing, they shall receive (Mat. 21:22), and to watch therefore and pray always (Luke 21:36). The outward man knows not what to pray for as he ought so the Holy Spirit helps him and makes intercession for him (Rom. 8:26). The righteous are careful for nothing and do everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, letting their requests be known unto God and

the peace of God which passeth all understanding shall keep their hearts and minds through Christ Jesus (Phil. 4:6-8). They continue in prayer and watch with thanksgiving (Col. 4:2), they pray without ceasing (Col. 1:9, 1 Thes. 5:17), they pray everywhere lifting up holy hands (1 Tim. 2:8). They come boldly unto the throne of grace, obtain mercy, and find grace from God to help in time of need (Heb. 4:16). In times of affliction the people of God pray unto Him (James 5:13), are sober and watch unto prayer (1 Pet. 4:7).

The people of God often make imprecatory prayers to Him cursing their enemies and asking God to take revenge and vengeance on them (Jer. 15:15, Judges 16:28). They ask that God destroy their enemies (Psalm 5:10), that their enemies be ashamed and sorely vexed (Psalm 6:10), that God break the arms of the wicked men that oppress them (Psalm 10:15), that God turn the reproaches of their enemies on their own head and that their enemies become the prey (Neh. 4:4), that God not cover the iniquity of their enemies and not blot out their sins (Neh.

4:5, Jer. 18:23), that God kill their enemies so that their proud, contemptuous, lying lips which speak grievous things against them lie silent in the grave (Psalm 31:17-18), that their enemies be ashamed, dishonored, confounded, brought to confusion and turned back because they devise them hurt that seek the souls of the righteous (Psalm 35:4, 26), that their enemies be as chaff in the wind and that the angel of the Lord chase and vex them with double destruction (Psalm 35:5, 8, Jer. 17:18), that God divide the tongues of the wicked and destroy them so that death seizes them and they are quickly brought down to hell (Psalm 55:9, 15), that God break the teeth of the wicked, cut them down in pieces (Psalm 58:6-7), be blinded and that their habitation be desolate (Psalm 69:23-25), that God persecute their enemies with the tempest (i.e., hurricane/tornado/super storms, tsunamis) and make them afraid with His storms (Psalm 83:15), that the days of their enemies on earth be few and that their children be fatherless, be vagabonds and reduced to begging for food (Psalm 109:8-10), that their enemies' posterity be cutoff and generation

following be blotted out (Psalm 109:13), that burning coals fall upon their enemies and they be cast into deep pits of fire that they rise not again (Psalm 140:10), that the blood of their enemies be poured out by the force of the sword, their wives be bereaved of their children, their men be put to death, their young men be slain by the sword in battle and they be utterly overthrown (Jer. 18:21-23), that their enemies be persecuted and destroyed (Lam 3:66) and rewarded according to their evil works (2 Tim. 4:14).