

Prayer Moves Mountains

Esther 4:13

Mordecai sent this reply to Esther: “Don’t think for a moment that because you’re in the palace you will escape when all the other Jews are killed.”

Ester 4:14-16

If you keep quiet at a time like this, deliverance and relief for the Jews will arise from some other place, but you and your relatives will die. Who knows if perhaps you were made queen for such a time as this?" Then Esther sent this reply to Mordecai: "Go and gather together all the Jews of Susa and fast for me. Do not eat or drink for three days, night or day. My maids and I will do the same. And then, though it is against the law, I will go in to see the King. If I must die, I must die." So Mordecai went away and did everything as Esther had ordered him.

Hebrews 4:16

So let us come boldly to
the throne of our God.
There we will receive his
mercy, and we will find
grace to help us when we
need it most.

**1. Let's be more
intentional, praying in faith
in our prayer life.**

Luke 1:28-33

Gabriel appeared to her and said, “Greetings, favored woman! The Lord is with you!” Confused and disturbed, Mary tried to think what the angel could mean. “Don’t be afraid, Mary,” the angel told her, “for you have found favor with God! You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be very great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his ancestor David. And he will reign over Israel forever; his Kingdom will never end!”

Luke 1:34-35

Mary asked the angel, “But how can this happen? I am a virgin?” The angel replied, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the baby to be born will be holy, and he will be called Son of God.”

Luke 1:38

Mary responded, “I am the Lord’s servant. May everything you have said about me come true.” And then the angel left.

Luke 1:46-50

Mary responded, “Oh, how my soul praises the Lord. How my spirit rejoices in God my Savior! For he took notice of his lowly servant girl, and from now on all generations will call me blessed. For the Mighty One is holy, and he has done great things for me. He shows mercy from generation to generation to all who fear him.”

**2. Mary prayed in
gratitude and praise.**

Acts 16:25-26

Around midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening. Suddenly, there was a massive earthquake, and the prison was shaken to its foundations. All the doors immediately flew open, and the chains of every prisoner flew off!

Philippians 4:6

Don't worry about
anything; instead pray
about everything. Tell God
what you need, and thank
him for all he has done.

I Thessalonians 5:16-17

Always be joyful. Never
stop praying. Be thankful
in all circumstances, for
this is God's will for you
who belong to Christ
Jesus.

Colossians 4:2-4

Devote yourself to prayer with an alert mind and thankful heart. Pray for us, too, that God will give us many opportunities to speak about his mysterious plan concerning Christ. That is why I am here in chains. Pray that I will proclaim this message as clearly as I should.

Ephesians 6:18

Pray in the Spirit at all
times and on every
occasion. Stay alert and
be persistent in your
prayers for all believers
everywhere.

**3. Pray for each other.
Encourage each other.**

John 17:20-21

Jesus says, “I am praying not only for these disciples but also for all who will ever believe in me through their message. I pray that they will all be one, just as you and I are one—as you are in me, Father, and I am in you. And may they be in us so that the world will believe you sent me.

John 17:20-25

“O, righteous Father,
the world doesn't know you,
but I do; and these disciples
know you sent me. I have
revealed you to them, and I will
continue to do so. Then your
love for me will be in them.”

Luke 5:15-16

But despite Jesus' instructions, the report of his power spread even faster, and vast crowds came to hear him preach and to be healed of diseases. But Jesus often withdrew to the wilderness for prayer.

Matthew 21:13

“It is written,” he said to them, “‘My house will be called a house of prayer,’ but you are making it ‘a den of robbers.’”

Matthew 28:18-20

Jesus came and told his disciples, “I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”

**1. Be intentional in our prayers
with faith.**

2. Pray with gratitude and praise.

**3. Pray to encourage the body of
Christ.**

**4. Stay close to the Father, so we
may know His will in our prayers.**

