

In Progress: Spirit, Soul & Body
- Why Pray? -

1. Let's pray with integrity, investing our whole person into it. *Romans 14:17 Romans. 15:13; Matthew 6:4-6*

- a. I want to pray with a right mind that seeks God's greatest truth, because what I learn about Him, myself and others is so vital to my progress.
- b. I want to engage emotionally in prayer because God deeply understands what I'm feeling.
- c. I want to choose to pray - to talk to God willingly because that's what gives my words value to Him.

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“THERE IS POWER IN GOD” & “GOD CHANGES THINGS”

2. Let's pray with vision. When we pray with vision, we can pray big prayers! *Ephesians 1:15-18; Colossians 1:28-29; Psalm 37:4*

3. Let's pray with power. Praying God's will for each other is powerful! *Ephesians 1:19-21; 1 Peter 1:21, Revelation 1:13-16*

4. Let's pray with the finish line in sight. It's wonderfully inspiring! *Ephesians 1:22-23*

Next week's reading guide:

- 1 Thessalonians 5:23, Psalm 16
- Psalm 145, Romans 12:1
- Psalm 103 (KJV), 2 Thess.1:11-12
- Romans 8:1-17
- Romans 12:4-13
- Acts 20:23-28
- Acts 2:42-47

Discussion Questions:

- 1. Share a time in your life when God answered a specific prayer. How did that impact you?
- 2. Have you ever had a time when God “met” you in prayer? How did that affect your thoughts, feelings and choices?
- 3. How have you prayed for someone else and later witnessed results in them?
- 4. Can you see how having a “vision” for what God wants to accomplish in a brother or sister in Christ can fuel and empower your prayers? How and for whom can you apply that this week?