

The Power of a Praying Woman

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Acts 1:14 *"These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication, with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with His brothers."*

The Bible is full of praying women. Hannah, Esther, and women of faith and prayer through the NT like Lois and Eunice – Timothy's mother and grandmother. God listens to the prayers of his children, and yes, of godly women.

1. Realize There is Only One Who Can Meet Your Needs

- Don't look to anyone or anything else to attempt to meet those needs

Psalm 62:5; Psalm 25:5

- To "wait on the Lord" means totally looking to him in confident expectation and trust.
- Go to God with all your needs- He won't be shocked!

2. Don't Just *Survive!*

John 10:10; Romans 8:37

- Being a child of God is about a relationship with your Creator!
- A relationship involves communication

3. Live in the Power of God

Galatians 3:3

- When you came to Christ for salvation, you had to realise that you couldn't come to Him in your own power
- We must continue to realise we need His power every day of our lives

How do you live in the power of God?

- A. Believe in Jesus Christ as Saviour - John 9:31
- B. Acknowledge the Power of the Holy Spirit – Ephesians 1:18-19
- C. Be Filled with the Spirit – Ephesians 5:18

Questions:

1. Have you ever been guilty of looking to someone or something else to try to meet your needs that only God can? In what ways?
2. How do some people just “survive?” Have you ever lived purely in survival mode and not really living victoriously in Christ?
3. How do we sometimes go from trusting the power of God to save us (salvation) to kind of living and working in our own power and strength? How can we combat this and live in His power every day?

Prayer: “Thank you, Lord, for your salvation and the gift of prayer! You, the Creator of all things, invite me to come to You as Your child any time and any place. Forgive me for not taking advantage of this at times. Help me to live in the abundant life You have provided and to not rely on my strength any more. Help me to daily live in Your power, in Jesus’ name I pray, amen.”