

THE EXPANSE OF A RESURRECTED LIFE

BOOK THEME: ACCEPT NO SUBSTITUTES

OBJECTIVE: LEARN HOW TO LIVE A LIFE DEVOTED TO
WATCHFUL PRAYER

COLOSSIANS 4:2-6

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PART 1B

1. WE SHOULD DEVOTE OURSELVES TO AN ENLARGED PRAYER LIFE V.2-3A

OUR PRAYERS SHOULD BE PERCEPTIVELY PRACTICAL.

1 PETER 5:8, "BE SELF-CONTROLLED AND ALERT. YOUR ENEMY
THE DEVIL PROWLs AROUND LIKE A ROARING LION LOOKING
FOR SOMEONE TO DEVOUR."

FALLING TO THE DECEPTION OF SUBSTITUTES AND
DISTRACTIONS MOST ASSUREDLY KEEPS YOU FROM A
DEVOTED PRAYER LIFE THAT IS WATCHFUL.

ARE YOU BEING WATCHFUL IN YOUR PRAYERS?

OUR PRAYERS SHOULD BE PERSISTENTLY THANKFUL.

"THANKFULNESS IS THE ENVIRONMENT FOR GOOD PRAYING,
AND IT PROVIDES A SAFEGUARD FOR INFORMED PRAYING."

WATCHFUL PRAYER IN THANKSGIVING DOESN'T AVOID THE
OBSTACLES WE FACE, BUT RIGHTLY RECOGNIZES THAT
NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR GOD.

WHEN OUR PRAYERS ARE FILLED WITH THANKSGIVING, WE
ARE LESS LIKELY TO BE LED ASTRAY IN THINKING THAT LIFE
REVOLVES AROUND US INSTEAD OF GOD.

THANKFULNESS FREES US FROM TRYING TO PLAY GOD
BECAUSE IT REVEALS HOW TRULY DEPENDENT WE ARE.

OUR PRAYERS SHOULD BE PERSONALLY DIRECTED.

GOD IS A PERSONAL GOD WHO KNOWS OUR NAME.

PRAYING FOR OTHERS BY NAME DEVELOPS A LOVING YOUR
NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF BOND BETWEEN YOU AND THEM.

1 SAMUEL 12:23, "AS FOR ME, FAR BE IT FROM ME THAT I
SHOULD SIN AGAINST THE LORD BY FAILING TO PRAY FOR
YOU."