

# Continue in Prayer

by C.H. Spurgeon

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*The sermon emphasizes the importance and necessity of prayer in a Christian's life, encouraging listeners to continue in prayer and seek a deeper walk with God.*

**Scripture:** Genesis 4:26, Psalm 55:17, Luke 18:1, Romans 12:12, Ephesians 6:18, Philippians 4:6-7, Colossians 4:2, 1 Thessalonians 5:17, James 5:16, 1 Peter 5:7

**Topics:** "The Importance of Prayer", "Spiritual Growth"

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## Description

C.H. Spurgeon emphasizes the vital role of prayer in the life of a believer, illustrating how prayer is woven throughout Scripture from Genesis to Revelation. He highlights various biblical figures who exemplified a life of prayer, underscoring that prayer is essential for spiritual vitality and communion with God. Spurgeon warns that a prayerless life indicates a lack of true relationship with Christ, urging believers to recognize their need for God's mercy and guidance. He encourages Christians to make prayer a priority, seeking holiness, humility, and a deeper connection with Christ. The overarching message is to 'Continue in prayer' as a foundational practice for spiritual growth and service.

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## Transcript

It is interesting to remark how large a portion of Sacred Writ is occupied with the subject of prayer, either in furnishing examples, enforcing precepts, or pronouncing promises. We scarcely open the Bible before we read, "Then began men to call upon the name of the Lord;" and just as we are about to close the volume, the "Amen" of an earnest supplication meets our ear. Instances are plentiful. Here we find a wrestling Jacob--there a Daniel who prayed three times a day--and a David who with all his heart called upon his God.

On the mountain we see Elias; in the dungeon Paul and Silas. We have multitudes of commands, and myriads of promises. What does this teach us, but the sacred importance and necessity of prayer? We may be certain that whatever God has made prominent in His Word, He intended to be conspicuous in our lives. If He has said much about prayer, it is because He knows we have much need of it. So deep are our necessities, that until we are in heaven we must not cease to pray. Dost thou want nothing?

Then, I fear thou dost not know thy poverty. Hast thou no mercy to ask of God? Then, may the Lord's mercy show thee thy misery! A prayerless soul is a Christless soul. Prayer is the lisping of the believing infant, the shout of the fighting believer, the requiem of the dying saint falling asleep in Jesus. It is the breath, the watchword, the comfort, the strength, the honour of a Christian. If thou be a child of God, thou

wilt seek thy Father's face, and live in thy Father's love.

Pray that this year thou mayst be holy, humble, zealous, and patient; have closer communion with Christ, and enter oftener into the banqueting-house of His love. Pray that thou mayst be an example and a blessing unto others, and that thou mayst live more to the glory of thy Master. The motto for this year must be, "Continue in prayer."

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