

(Acts 1:12-13) Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mountain called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went up to the upstairs room where they were staying...

(Acts 1:14) All these were continually devoting themselves with one mind to prayer, along with the women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with His brothers.

(Acts 2:1-2) When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly a noise like a violent rushing wind came from heaven, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting.

(Acts 2:4) And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit.

(Acts 2:14) But Peter, taking his stand with the other eleven, raised his voice and declared to them:

(Acts 2:36) Therefore let all the house of Israel know for certain that God has made Him both Lord and Christ—this Jesus whom you crucified.

(Acts 2:37-39) Now when they heard this, they were pierced to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brothers, what are we to do?" Peter said to them, "Repent, and each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and your children and for all who are far away, as many as the Lord our God will call to Himself."

(Acts 2:41) So then, those who had received his word were baptized; and that day there were added about three thousand souls.

--- Why We Pray ---

- ✓ **Prayer is a _____ in our relationship with God.**

(Acts 2:42) They were continually devoting themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

(2 Chronicles 16:9) For the eyes of the Lord roam throughout the earth, so that He may strongly support those whose heart is completely His.

--- The Power of Prayer ---

1. **Prayer has the power to align my will to _____.**

(1 John 5:14-15) This is the confidence which we have before Him, that, if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests which we have asked from Him.

2. **Prayer has the power to bring spiritual _____.**

(1 John 1:9) If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous, so that He will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(Hebrews 4:14-16) Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let's hold firmly to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things just as we are, yet without sin. Therefore let's approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace for help at the time of our need.

3. **Prayer has the power to help me see all that He _____ by remembering all that He _____.**

(Colossians 4:2) Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert in it with an attitude of thanksgiving;

(1 Thessalonians 5:16-18) Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus.

4. **Prayer has the power to _____.**

(James 5:16) Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results.

(2 Corinthians 1:8-11) For we do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, of our affliction which occurred in Asia, that we were burdened excessively, beyond our strength, so that we despaired even of life... And He will yet deliver us, if you also join in helping us through your prayers, so that thanks may be given by many persons in our behalf for the favor granted to us through the prayers of many.

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