

“Continual Prayer”

Scripture Reading: Acts 12:1-17

Text:

Acts 12:5 (KJV)

⁵Peter therefore was kept in prison: but prayer was made without ceasing of the church unto God for him.

Intro:

[Outline of Chapter]

The Power of Satan—Vv. 1-4

The Power of Prayer—Vv. 5-19

The Power of God’s Wrath—Vv. 20-23

The Power of God’s Word—Vv. 24-25

Now the message – 3 things and I’m through:

We see in our text:

I. **An Unfair Restraint – V. 5 “Kept in prison”**

A. **Peter’s Circumstance**

II. **An Urgent Request – Vv. 5 & 12**

A. **Peter’s Comrades**

B. **Peter’s Confidence** – (i.e., “*sleeping*”)

III. **An Unusual Rescue – Vv. 7-11**

A. **Peter’s Continuance**

Revelation 3:8 (KJV)

⁸I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name.

Conclusion: We must never give up on praying (even when times are hard like Peter experienced!)! Do you believe in prayer? Are you praying “continually?”

1 Thessalonians 5:17 (KJV)

¹⁷Pray without ceasing.

Please come while we sing!

Invitation Hymn: (Bro. Steve selects)

Bruce Beach—7/11/99—p.m. @ TBC, Dalton

Bruce Beach—5/17/23—Wed. @ WHBC, Dalton