P.R.A.Y.

Read Esther 9:20-22 ; Colossians 1:21-23, 2:13-15

We have a reason to celebrate! Jesus has saved us! He has transferred us from the kingdom of darkness into the kingdom of light! By His blood, our sin debt has been paid and our enemy has been defeated! Jesus has turned our sorrow into rejoicing and our hopeless into eternal hope!

- Pray and praise God for salvation!
- Praise God for paying taking on the cross so that you could be forgiven!
- Praise God for giving you hope in a dark world!
- Praise God for His graciousness and generosity He has shown toward you.

P.R.**A.**Y.

Read Esther 4:15-5:3 ; Colossians 1:15-20, 4:2 Romans 8:28

Esther had a time of prayer and fasting before her appearance before the king. In Colossians we see we are to "devote yourselves to prayer." Knowing God is in charge makes it easier to trust His ways. We can pray big, impossible prayers and live with certainty that God hears and responds to our prayers in accordance to His will and providence.

- Pray and ask God to intervene in your life and trust that He is in charge!
- Pray over your family and friends asking God to work in their lives.
- Ask God to do the "impossible" (save lost friends, send revival, heal sickness, restore marriages, etc...)

P.**R.**A.Y.

Read Esther 1:10-12 ; Colossians 3:1-17

Queen Vashti stood against immorality and was punished because of it. As Christians, Paul reminds us to "put to death" the deeds of the flesh and "put on" the clothes of Christ. This may not always be popular or easy – but as Christians we are to live to honor God with every part of our lives and not blend in to the world around us.

- In what areas do you struggle to "put off" the deeds of the flesh
- In what areas do you struggle to "put on" the clothes of Christ
- Repent of failing to "put off" and "put on" and ask God to help you do "<u>everything</u> in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ."

P.R.A.**Y**.

Read Esther 4:13-14, 10:1-3; Colossians 4:2-18

We see in Esther and in Colossians that God uses ordinary people to do His work so that He gets the glory. God wants to use your life to make a difference in the world around you. Are you open to what God is calling you to do? Are you surrendered fully to His ways and His plans?

- Declare to the Lord that no matter how big or how small your impact, you desire to be used by Him.
- Pray a prayer of surrender to the Lord and give yourself fully to the cause of Christ in your home, your workplace, your church, your friendships and everywhere He sends you.
- Is every aspect of your life surrendered to Jesus?