

**Retro Part 4**  
**When the Church Prays Together**  
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**Acts 2:42 NASB**

They were continually **devoting** themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and **to prayer**.

**1. When We Pray I Am \_\_\_\_\_ With God's Purpose**

**Acts 1:14 NASB**

These all with one mind were continually devoting themselves to prayer...

**2. When We Pray I Am \_\_\_\_\_ With Divine Life**

**Acts 14:19,20 NIV**

Then some Jews came from Antioch and Iconium and won the crowd over. They stoned Paul and dragged him outside the city, thinking he was dead. <sup>20</sup> But after the disciples had gathered around him, he got up and went back into the city

**Isaiah 40:28-31 NKJV**

<sup>28</sup> Have you not known? Have you not heard? The everlasting God, the LORD, The Creator of the ends of the earth, neither faints nor is weary. His understanding is unsearchable.

<sup>29</sup> He gives power to the weak, and to *those who have* no might He increases strength.

<sup>30</sup> Even the youths shall faint and be weary, And the young men shall utterly fall,

<sup>31</sup> But those who wait on the LORD Shall renew *their* strength; They shall mount up with wings like eagles, They shall run and not be weary, They shall walk and not faint.

### 3. When We Pray, My Effectiveness is \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Matt. 18:19 NKJV**

“Again I say to you that if two of you agree on earth concerning anything that they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven.

#### **Mark 9:28,29 NKJV**

And when He had come into the house, His disciples asked Him privately, “Why could we not cast it out?”

<sup>29</sup> So He said to them, “This kind can come out by nothing but prayer and fasting.”

### 4. When We Pray My \_\_\_\_\_ Goes To A New Level

#### **Acts 4:29, 31 NKJV**

Now, Lord, look on their threats, and grant to Your servants that with all boldness they may speak Your word, <sup>30</sup> by stretching out Your hand to heal, and that signs and wonders may be done through the name of Your holy Servant Jesus.” <sup>31</sup> And when they had prayed, the place where they were assembled together was shaken; and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and they spoke the word of God with boldness.

### 5. When We Pray, \_\_\_\_\_ Are Changed!

#### **Acts 12:1-7, 11,12 NASB**

Now about that time Herod the king laid hands on some who belonged to the church in order to mistreat them. <sup>2</sup> And he had James the brother of John put to death with a sword. <sup>3</sup> When he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. Now it was during the days of Unleavened Bread. <sup>4</sup> When he had seized him, he put him in prison, delivering him to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending after the Passover to bring him out before the people. <sup>5</sup> So Peter was kept in the prison, but prayer for him was being made fervently by the church to God.

<sup>6</sup> On the very night when Herod was about to bring him forward, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains, and guards in front of the door were watching over the prison. <sup>7</sup> And behold, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared and a light shone in

the cell; and he struck Peter's side and woke him up, saying, "Get up quickly." And his chains fell off his hands.

<sup>11</sup> When Peter came to himself, he said, "Now I know for sure that the Lord has sent forth His angel and rescued me from the hand of Herod and from all that the Jewish people were expecting." <sup>12</sup> And when he realized *this*, he went to the house of Mary, the mother of John who was also called Mark, where many were gathered together and were praying.

## **6. When We Pray New \_\_\_\_\_**

### **Acts 16:25,26 NIV**

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them. <sup>26</sup> Suddenly there was such a violent earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken. At once all the prison doors flew open, and everyone's chains came loose.

The greatest prayer...