

THE ROYAL TASK

PRAYING FOR PROGRESS Acts 1:12-14

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1. Pray	(v.14)	Acts 1:12 Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. 13 And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. 14 All these with one
2. Pray	(v.13)	accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers. (ESV)
3. Pray	(v.12)	

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

- 1. Read **1 Thessalonians 1:8-10**. What would you assume about a Christian whose coworkers and neighbors don't know he is a Christian and have never heard his testimony? What might some of the problems be in this case?
- 2. Read **Philippians 1:12-14**. What are some of the circumstances which motivate you to speak up about the gospel? What have you seen in others that has made you more fearless in evangelism?
- 3. Read **Colossians 4:3-4**. Make a specific list of people for whom you will pray this prayer. Who will you ask to pray this for you? How does it help knowing people are praying this for you?

4. Read **Ephesians 6:18-20**. In what specific circumstances or situations will you pray for God to use you to boldly proclaim the mystery of the gospel?

This Week's Bible Reading Schedule

September 15th

Prov.28-29 & 2Cor.7

September 16th

Prov.30-31 & 2Cor.8

September 17th

Ecc.1-3 & 2Cor.9

September 18th *Ecc. 4-6 & 2Cor. 10*

September 19th

Ecc. 7-9 & 2Cor. 11:1-15

September 20th

Ecc. 10-12 & 2Cor. 11:16-33

September 21st

Song 1-3 & 2Cor.12

September 22nd

Song 4-5 & 2Cor.13

This Week's Compass 20/20 Discussion Question

• Read **2 Thessalonians 3:1**. Make a prayer list that envisions God's work being "sped" along and multiplied in various places because of the investment of our church in Compass 20/20.

The following related sermons are also available for downloading or streaming on the Focal Point Website (FocalPointMinistries.org).

Msg. 11-29 - Prayerfully Reliant

Msg. 19-11 - Faith-Filled Praying

Msg. 15-18 – The Prayer of a Righteous Person

Msg. 05-58 - Three Poignant Questions About Your Prayer Life

Msg. 06-65 - The Basic Attitudinal Approach to Prayer

Msg. 11-16 - How to Pray and Making Sure We Do

Msg. 15-15 – 15-20 – *Christ's School of Prayer* (a six-part series on prayer)

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Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

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Ironside, H. A. Praying in the Holy Spirit. Loizeaux, 1946.

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Ryle, J. C. A Call to Prayer. Audubon Press, 2002.

Sproul. R. C. Does Prayer Change Things? Reformation Trust Publishing, 1998.

Spurgeon, C. H. The Power of Prayer in a Believer's Life. Emerald Books, 1996.

Strauss, Lehman. Sense and Nonsense About Prayer. Moody Press, 1974.

Thrasher, Bill. A Journey to Victorious Praying: Finding Discipline & Delight in Your Prayer Life. Moody, 2003.

Torrey, R. A. The Power of Prayer & the Prayer of Power. Reprint. Zondervan, 1987.

Wiersbe, Warren W. Prayer: Basic Training. Tyndale, 1988.