

Uphill Habits – Pt. 2 Make Prayer a Priority

New Horizon Church

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1 Thessalonians 5:17 (NLT), "Never Stop Praying!"
1. Be to prayer.
Romans 12:12 (NASB), "Always be rejoicing in hope, persevering in tribulation, <u>devoted</u> to prayer."
Colossians 4:2 (NIV), " <u>Devote</u> yourselves to <u>prayer</u> , being watchful and thankful."
Daniel 6:10 (NLT), "But when Daniel learned that the law had been signed, he went home and knelt down as usual in his upstairs room, with its windows open toward Jerusalem. He prayed three times a day, just as he had always done, giving thanks to his God."
2. Ask according to
James 4:2b-3 (NLT), "Yet you don't have what you want because <u>you don't ask God</u> for it. 3 And even when you ask, <u>you don't get it because your motives are all wrong</u> – you want only what will give you pleasure."
1 John 5:14-15 (NIV), "This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. 15 And if we know that he hears us—whatever we ask—we know that we have what we asked of him."

3. Expect God to
Psalm 5:3 (NIV), "In the morning, Lord, you hear my voice; in the morning I lay my requests before you and <u>wait expectantly</u> ."
Philippians 4:6-7 (NLT), "Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need and thank him for all he has done. 7) Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus."
Luke 11:9 (NLT), "And so I tell you, keep on asking, and you will receive what you ask for. Keep on seeking, and you will find. Keep on knocking, and the door will be opened to you."
4. Pray!
Luke 18:1, "Now He was telling them a parable to show that at <u>all times</u> they ought to pray and not to lose heart."
Mark 1:35 (NIV), "Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed."
Isaiah 56:7b (NIV), "My house shall be called $\underline{a \ house \ of \ prayer}$ for all nations."
My Main Take Away: