

Why People Don't Pray More (Craig Groschel suggests four reasons.)

- 1) **Not sure you know _____ to pray.**
- 2) **Get _____ or distracted while trying to pray.**
- 3) **Think your requests are too _____ for God.**
- 4) **Not sure your prayers will make a _____.**

*“The one concern of the Devil is to keep Christians from praying. He fears nothing from prayerless studies, prayerless work, prayerless religion. He laughs at our toil, mocks at our wisdom, but trembles when we pray.
Samuel Chadwick*

Prayer is _____ Psalm 4:3 (NLT) / Psalms 5:1-3

God's Relational _____ John 15:7

God's Relational _____ Psalms 91:15-16

Calling to God = Answer + help in trouble + deliverance + honor + a satisfied long life + salvation.

Our _____ 1 John 5:14

Our _____ Philippians 4:6-7
“Why Worry, When You Can Pray”. Pray about everything!

Our _____ 1Thesalonians 5:17

Today Let's Devote Ourselves to Prayer Colossians 4:2

- Devote yourself to personal and family prayer times with Jesus, just to talk with Jesus.
- Devote yourself to Wednesday Night Corporate Prayer. 6:00 – 6:30 p.m. prior to Church.
- Devote yourself to Tuesday Staff Prayer. We are praying for you! Join us from 12- 1 pm.
- Devote yourself to Special Events Prayer Tents

Devote Yourself to Pastor's Prayer Partners 2023

Colossians 4:2-4 / Romans 15:30

Life App Group and Family Devotional Application

1. Prayer and answered prayer are awesome! Why do you think we/people don't pray more than we/they do?
2. Read the four “Why People Don't Pray More” reasons from Craig Groschel. Discuss each? Which is your problem?
3. What did Pastor Scott mean when he described prayer as Relational Communication?
4. If you talked your spouse, kids, and/ or work mates as much as you pray, what kind of relationship would you have?
5. What is God's Relational Offer to us? (John 15:7) What does that mean to you?
6. What is God's Relational Promise to us? (Psalm 91:15-16)
7. What kind of assurance should we have when we pray? (1 John 5:14) Do you have praying confidence?
8. According to Philippians 4:6-7, what types of situations or things are we allowed to pray about?
9. What does 1 Thessalonians 5:17 mean when it says to “pray continually”? How do you do that?
10. What corporate prayer times are you involved in and why is that important?
11. Are you a “Pastor's Prayer Partner”? Why is that so important?

Answers: how / bored / small / difference / Relational – Communication / Offer / Promise / Guidelines / Frequency

Pastor's Prayer Partners 2023

1) "Pastor's Prayer Partners".

Sign up to be a Pastor's Prayer Partner.

- You will commit to pray for your pastors' needs, their families' needs, and your church daily.
- You will pray that God will protect your Pastors physically, morally, mentally, and spiritually. And pray for Believers Church's health, growth, and protection.

The Pastors will also commit to pray for you daily.

- Write on the card two – three specific things that you want God to do for you this year.
- We will pray for you this year as you are praying for us.

2) "Pastor's Prayer Partner Team".

- This team commits to praying for the Pastors and Church daily, as well every Sunday as this team will pray for the Pastors, the ministry teams, the teachers, and the service in general asking the Holy Spirit to move in the lives of the attendees.
- The team prays 30 minutes prior to the service, 8:30 or 10:30 AM in the Next Steps Room. They may also attend one, serve one and pray during the entire service.

(EX: Christmas Party, Free Sale, other Outreaches etc.)

Pastor's Prayer Partner Commitment Form

Name: / Address: City/ States / Zip: / Birthdate: / Email: / Cell: / Other Phone:

- I commit to pray for my pastors' needs, their families' needs, and my church every day.
- I commit to join a Pastor's Prayer Partner Team in prayer 30 minutes prior to at least two services per month to pray for God to move in the service.
- I commit to attend one, serve one and pray during the entire 1st or 2nd service once a month.
- I commit to being an active part of corporate prayer meetings at Believers Church.

This year I would like the Pastors to pray for me daily concerning these areas in my life.

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____

**Ask someone at the Welcome Center for a card or email Aly at Alyson.teal@believersmail.com.