

Luke 12:12-16

12 One of those days Jesus went out to a mountainside to pray, and spent the night praying to God. 13 When morning came, he called his disciples to him and chose twelve of them, whom he also designated apostles: 14 Simon (whom he named Peter), his brother Andrew, James, John, Philip, Bartholomew, 15 Matthew, Thomas, James son of Alphaeus, Simon who was called the Zealot, 16 Judas son of James, and Judas Iscariot, who became a traitor.

Acts 1:4-5, 8, 14

4 On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. 5 For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." 8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

14 They all joined together constantly in prayer, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers.

Ephesians 1:16 -16 I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers.

2 Timothy 1:3 -3 I thank God, whom I serve, as my ancestors did, with a clear conscience, as night and day I constantly remember you in my prayers.

1 Thessalonians 1:2 1 We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers.

Philemon 4-6

4 I always thank my God as I remember you in my prayers, 5 because I hear about your love for all his holy people and your faith in the Lord Jesus

Philippians 1:3

3 I thank my God every time I remember you. 4 In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy

B - Begin with Prayer



My mother prayed for me had me on her mind, took the time to pray for me. I'm so glad she prayed, I'm so glad she prayed for me.

1. Aren't you glad someone prayed for you?
2. Let's talk about how you can return the favor.
3. First, by working to overcome the struggle many of us have with prayer. It's something we know we should do, something we may even want to do, but it can be hard to be consistent. Even though we know amazing things happen when we pray.
4. In prayer (Bless Book)
 - a. We are open ourselves to God and the leading of the Spirit.
 - b. We focus our minds to recognize God's promptings.
 - c. We receive the directions we need to discover the people God is calling us to bless.
5. Prayer not only does the above. Prayer changes you.
6. Who do you have in mind to start praying for? Make a list.
7. When will you start? When will you pray for them?

B-l-e-s-s Your Neighbors

B - Begin with prayer, how do I bless?

L - Listen, don't talk, listen to their pains, their struggles and their unfulfilled dreams.

E - Eat meals with them, have coffee with them, it builds relationships.

S - Serve, if you listen they will tell you how to love them and you will know how to serve them.

S - Story, when the time is right we talk and share what Jesus has done in our lives.