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Do You Need Help Staying Focused When Praying

The other morning as I prayed, the needs rose beautifully. I felt directed by the Spirit, and the prayers came from a deep place as I lifted up individuals who I often remember. It felt so good. I rose up from my prayer position feeling rather spiritual. I'd partnered with God through His Son. But the next day ... As I closed my eyes my mind wandered to the worries in my head. The griefs took top billing. There was not one thing spiritual about my "prayer." As soon as I became aware of the invasion, I tossed and turned in inability to focus and pray and proceeded to try to pray again. But I was stuck. Nothing wanted to come. Every prayer attempt seemed repetitious and empty. I tried to think of why this was happening. Did I do something wrong? Why were my prayers so scattered, so empty? How could I focus them? I began again throwing out prayers of thanksgiving and praise, my normal petitions for family and friends, to no avail. My mind wandered, so I gave up, and I opened my Bible.

And I read,

"Praise the Lord, my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. Praise the Lord, my soul, and forget not all his benefits—who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion, who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's." Psalm 103:1-5.

My soul quieted as my lips mouthed words of praise, and I was reminded of the times I've simply opened my Bible and used God's Word to guide me. God's Word is eternal.

Our prayers no longer threaten vanity or emptiness but hold the weight of an inspired pen when we use Scripture to prompt our praying.

I sat for a moment with God. No words. Just waiting for direction.

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Prayer Requests

Dick Coriell (Rick's Dad) Please keep him and his family in your prayers. He is suffering with multiple health problems.

Esther & Gene Crisp Please keep them in your prayers.

Christi Davis (Tamara Harris Sister) Please be praying for her to have better health.

Julie Davis (Gahms Market) Recently diagnosed with leukemia. Please pray for her.

Isaiah Dresback Prayers of Thanks to God for his partial recovery so far.

PJ Glauder He was recently diagnosed with prostate cancer. Please be praying for him.

Kim Glispie (Gary's Sister) Please continue to pray for God's healing for her.

Jeff Hayward Please continue prayers for him.

Peggy Hollback Please continue praying she will be blessed with better health.

Scott Lindeman Please continue prayers for his recovery.

Frelon Sparks Sr. Please pray for God's healing, for strength, comfort and peace to surround him and his family.

Tania Sizemore Please be praying for this young lady 26 years old just diagnosed with breast cancer.

Tim Tackett (Friend of Tamara Harris) Please be praying for his healing of lung cancer.

Michelle Voglesong (Tamara's Niece) Going through cancer treatments. Please pray for her treatment to be successful

Esther & Gene Crisp Randall Res. Rm. #123
Sarah Gilliland Hillview Room L306
Helen Hayward Homebound



King's Island Trip - Sept 5
Friends & Family Day Sept 11 @ Noble Farm
Men's Leadership Retreat - Sept. 23 & 24
(Round Lake)

Sunday Morning Live Streaming Links:

<https://sunshinecofc.church/sermon-media>
<https://sunshinecofc.sermon.net>

Welcome To All of Our Guests
Thank you for coming. Please come back!

Gluten Free Communion Available

We have gluten free communion bread available for anyone who needs it. It can be found at the **Welcome Center**. You may pick it up before the services on your way into the auditorium.

We Are Glad You Are Here!

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### **KID'S Club**

\*Kids Pre-K - 6th Grade, each  
Wednesday Evening. Kid's Club will be  
the Wednesday Evening Bible class.  
It includes a short & fun video  
reviewing the lesson taught on Sunday.

**Come Join Us!**  
**Wednesday Evening 7:00 PM**

**Your Elders always have you in their  
thoughts and prayers.**

**Please let them know if you have  
a special prayer request**

## **SUNSHINE CHURCH of CHRIST**

**We Invite You To Join Us**

**Sunday Morning 10:00 AM**

**Sunday Eve. Class 6:00 PM**

**Wednesday Evening 7:00 PM**

**You may also call 855-565-7670  
to hear the lessons by phone.**

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**School Is Back In Session. Please keep
all our students and teachers in your
prayers for a safe and happy school year**
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**King's Island Trip: Sept. 5 (Monday)**  
This trip is for anyone that wants to go.  
We plan to leave Monday morning at  
8:00 am and return by 10:00 pm.  
Please sign up in the foyer by Sept .4 so  
tickets can be ordered for admission.

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**"Friends and Family Day" is coming up
September 11 @ 10:00 am. We will
gather at Noble Farm for Morning
Worship in the Great Outdoors. We will
also welcome guest speaker Woody
Biggs to be with us. Afterwards, we'll
have Lunch and a Day filled with
Fellowship, including the famous Corn
Hole Tournament or you may enjoy
other activities at the farm if you wish.
Lunch and Drinks will be provided.
Please bring a smile, a dessert to share
and your lawn chair.**

**Invite your family and friends!
Come join us for a wonderful day!**
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**If you would like to help with the  
Minford Concession Stand on Friday  
Night Sept.9, please sign up at the  
Welcome Center.**  
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**Jesus "is the stone you builders rejected,
which has become the cornerstone." Acts 4:11**

Wisdom Bestows Well-Being

**My son, do not forget my teach-
ing, but keep my commands in
your heart, for they will prolong
your life many years and bring
you prosperity**

**Let love and faithfulness never
leave you; bind them around
your neck, write them on the tab-
let of your heart. Then you will
win favor and a name in the
sight of God and man.**

**Trust in the Lord with all your
heart and lean not on your own
understanding; in all your ways
acknowledge Him, and He will
make your paths straight.**

Proverbs 3:1-6

**The August Item Is
Snack Size Chips**

**For Mid Western Children's Home
Thank You So Much For Your Kindness**

Family Bible Time

ADULT CLASSES WEEK OF August 28

***Sunday Evening Auditorium**

**Don't Give The Enemy a Seat at
Your Table - Louie Giglio - Zach Coriell**

***Wednesday Evening Auditorium**

Acts 5 - Jeff Vannatta

***Wednesday Evening Ladies Class**

God is Faithful in Keeping His Word

Please Read: Psalms 119: 1- 56

***Men's Class - James Group- Rm. #8**

Those Who Serve

Sunday Morning	08/28/2022	09/04/2022	09/11/2022
Worship Leader	Shaun McCray	Jared McCray	Friends & Family
Scripture Reading	Matthew Risner	Paul Jacobs	Day at
Prayer	Justin Spengler	Shane Mougey	Noble Farm
Communion	David Deacon	Jason Coriell	
Message	Jamie Riley	Jamie Riley	
Announcements //			
Prayer	Wayne Gampp	Rich Book	
Sunday Evening	08/28/2022	09/04/2022	
Worship Leader	Zach Coriell	Jacob Bowe	
Communion	IsaiahMcQuade	Gabe Coriell	



Sunday Worship - 10:00 am
Bible Study - 6:00 pm

Wednesday Bible Study - 7:00 pm

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My eyes landed on my Bible sitting on my table. I opened and read a warning of the spiritual battle on this earth. His Word also reminded me of the need to put on the armor of God every day. The enemy works to confuse and weaken our prayers.

“For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand.” Ephesians 6:12-13.

If focus is impossible in prayer, there is very good chance the enemy is running interference.

Here are some things to do to help stay focused in prayer and win the battle:

Read your Bible before you jump into prayer.

Be aware of the spiritual battle. **Put on the full armor, Eph. 6:10-19.**

Speak the name of Jesus. The authority of His name weakens the enemy and strengthens your resolve.

Pray out loud.

And remember, you are not alone. You're not bad or less spiritual.

You just need Divine help to pray, just like the rest of us.

God Loves You and We Love You Too

Have a wonderful day!