

Are we devoted to prayer? Acts 1:12-14

We who are set apart for God ...

1) Devote ourselves to <u>learning</u> to pray.

The P.R.A.Y. acronym is a helpful tool to guide our prayers.

<u>P</u>raise <u>R</u>epent <u>A</u>sk <u>Y</u>ield

2) Devote ourselves to <u>personal prayer</u>.

3) Devote ourselves to <u>intercessory prayer</u>.

There are circumstances when it is God's will for God's work to be accomplished only in response to prayer.

4) **Devote ourselves to <u>corporate prayer.</u>**

Memory Verses

2 Timothy 2:21 ... "*Therefore, if anyone cleanses himself from what is dishonorable, he will be a vessel for honorable use, set apart as holy, useful to the master of the house, ready for every good work.*"

1 Peter 2:9–12 ... "But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul. Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation."

Scripture to Pray

Acts 2:42–44 ... "And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. And all who believed were together and had all things in common."

Live the Word

- What prayer habits have I developed in my life? (Consider both good and bad habits)
- 2) What area of prayer do I most need to improve?
- Write down one step you will take to devote yourself to prayer. Share it with someone who can encourage you to remain faithful.