

Bible Study 19 – Keep on praying – Ephesians 6:18–24

If you were the child of a hugely wealthy man, a man who has given you a credit card with no limit, and your father has told you to use that credit card for anything you wanted, would you ever use it? Would you ever buy something for yourself? Would you ever use it to buy something for others? Prayer is like that. But the Christian life is not about making yourself happy and comfortable. It's a battle with the unseen forces of wickedness in the heavenly places. To fight for God against this evil enemy, we must be people of prayer! Prayer is a spiritual force. It is our chief spiritual weapon in our battle with the enemy.

The context	Believers have spiritual blessings “in Christ”. Salvation is a gift received from God. That people of all cultures and nationalities can be united in the church was a new revelation to Paul. Believers in a church have unity of the Holy Spirit and a diversity of spiritual gifts. Mature Christians are Christlike and countercultural – they don’t practice a sinful lifestyle. And they respect others in marriage, the family, and at work.
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PART 1 Read & then write each section in your own words – Ephesians 6:18-24

For all believers (v.18)	
For Paul (v.19-20)	
Mutual encouragement (v.21-22)	
Benediction (v.23-24)	

PART 2 Things I discovered in this passage

1. What does it teach about God, Jesus or the Holy Spirit?

2. What does it teach about people?

3. Summarize a key verse in your own words.

4. In your opinion, what is the main point being taught in this passage?

5. Which other parts of the passage caught your attention?

6. We find it easier to pray about physical problems. But we need to pray when we are in a spiritual war. What is an example of a spiritual problem that we can pray about?

7. Which parts of the passage were difficult to understand? What questions come to your mind?

Christians should treat prayer as something serious in their lives. God wants us to encourage each other in Christian living.

