

"Praying Until God Answers", Luke 18:1-8 December 2, 5-6, 2015: Cam Huxford, Senior Pastor

Four Characters in this Parable on Prayer:

- · The Persistent Widow
- · An Uncaring Judge
- Our Gracious God Ephesians 2:4-5
- His Faithful Followers
- I. Pray Continuously 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18
- II. Pray Consistently

Steps to make your prayers more consistent:

- 1. Pray in a specific place.
- 2. Pray at the best time of day for you!

Keep it simple, keep it short, keep it up!

- 3. Don't waste time feeling guilty.
- 4. Choose a plan for your prayers.

Five Persistent Prayers:

- Prayer 1 First word of the day: <u>Good morning</u>, Lord.
- Prayer 2 Thank you for this breakfast and the <u>health</u> it will provide. Example: "Dear Lord, thank you for this meal. In Jesus name, amen."
- Prayer 3 Thank you for this lunch and the work it fuels.
- Prayer 4 Thank you for this dinner and the people I love.
- Prayer 5 Last word of the day is to the Lord: Thank you for the gift of this day.

III. Pray Humbly

God answers every request in one of four ways:

Yes No Wait Grow

IV. Pray Boldly:

- Pray boldly for your One to come to Jesus...even if they are the person you know who is farthest from the Lord!
- Pray boldly for the healing of the most difficult <u>relationship</u> in your life.
- Pray boldly for some need that is beyond your ability. Matthew 7:7-8

When the need is the greatest, it is most important that we pray and not lose heart.

Ministry Opportunities

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The Best Christmas Pageant Ever 7 p.m. Thursday - Sunday, Dec. 3 - 6 and 10 - 13 Worship Center

Invite a friend to come with you to our fun, family-friendly Christmas production that tells the story of the Herdman family: six unruly siblings known as the worst kids in town who decide to take over the annual Christmas pageant. As the town reacts in horror, the pageant director becomes even more determined to make it work. The pageant turns out to be the most unusual one the town has ever seen, and possibly the best one ever. \$5 tickets are available in advance at The Source bookstore and at SavannahChristian.com.

Element Lock In

8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 18 - 8 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 19

The Link across the lake

High school students, stay up all night at this lock in event. It'll start with an awesome time of worship and then we'll head to the movies, play games and more. This event is for students at all of our campuses. We expect this event to fill up quickly, so sign up soon at SavannahChristian.com.

Wednesday Night Meals in December

We will serve meals before the Wednesday night service on Dec. 2, 9 and 16. We will not serve meals on Dec. 23 and 30. Visit SavannahChristian.com for the menu and pricing information.

Dates for Final 2015 Giving

Contributions for 2015 can be made online and through the mobile app through Thursday, December 31. The last opportunity to make a 2015 contribution during services will be Wednesday, Dec. 30. Gifts made after Dec. 31 will be counted as 2016 contributions.

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