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“Devote
yourselves to
Prayer, being
watchful and
thankful.”

Colossians 4:2

I. Attitude of Prayer

- A. Three Kinds of Prayer in Scripture
 1. Private Prayer
 2. Public or Corporate Prayer
 3. Eschatological Prayer (Praying in the second coming of Christ)
- B. The Call to Prayer - Col. 4:2
 1. “Devote” = proskartereo = persevere, endure, steady
 2. “Keep Alert” = gregoreo = in a constant state of awareness
 3. “Thanksgiving” = eucharisti = An act of giving thanks
- C. The Purpose of Prayer - Col. 4:3,4
 1. For God to open doors and His word to work.
 2. For Paul to speak and work to make it clear. (Activation of gifts)

II. Admonitions to Pray

- A. The parable of prayer (Lk. 18:1-8) - Persistence and trust.
- B. The consistency of prayer (Rom. 12:12; I Thess. 5:17; Phil 4:6)
- C. The intercession of prayer (I Thess. 5:25; Col. 4:3,4)
- D. The witness of prayer (I Tim. 2:8)

III. Acts of Prayer

- A. Unity and faithfulness (Acts 1:14)
- B. Courage in prayer (Acts 4:23-31)
- C. Supernatural experiences in prayer (Acts 12:5, 12-17)
- D. The witness of prayer (Acts 16:25)