

DISCOVER YOUR MISSION

B.L.E.S.S. Method*

Begin with Prayer

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PRAYER: "We never know how God will answer our prayers, but we can expect that He will get us involved in His plan for the answer." – Corrie ten Boom

Reasons Why We Don't Pray...

- "I don't know how to pray."
- "I'm too busy."
- "I doubt it works."

BLESSING OTHERS, ALL BEGINS WITH PRAYER

Prayer is both how you discover the mission and how you pursue it.
– Dave Ferguson

- Jesus did not start his _____ without _____.

¹Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, ² where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. (Luke 4)

- Jesus made it a _____ to go to this mountain to pray.

²³ After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. (Matthew 14)

²⁸ About eight days after Jesus said this, he took Peter, John and James with him and went up onto a mountain to pray. (Luke 9)

- Jesus did not make _____ without _____.

¹² One day soon afterward Jesus went up on a mountain to pray, and he prayed to God all night. ¹³ At daybreak he called together all of his disciples and chose twelve of them to be apostles. (Luke 6 NLT)

When you pray...

1. You open _____ to God.
2. You open yourself to the Holy Spirit's _____.
3. You focus your mind to recognize His _____.
4. You receive the _____ you need to bless others.

Following Jesus isn't meant to be comfortable. It's meant to be life-changing!

Possible Ways to Pray...

- Pray as you go (drive, eat, shop, etc.).
- Pray that _____ will become thirsty for God. (John 7:37 – 39)
- Pray that the Father will draw _____ to Jesus. (John 6:44 – 45)
- Pray that _____ will become open to God's truth. (2 Corinthians 4:4 – 6)
- Pray that _____ will take genuine steps of repentance. (2 Corinthians 7:10)
- Pray that _____ will become receptive to God's grace. (Romans 3:23 – 24; Titus 3:4 – 7)
- Pray that _____ will clearly experience God's love. (1 John 4:7 – 10, 19-21)

Pray for people in your life who are far from God. Ask God: "How do you want to use me to bless the people in my life?"

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