

Answers and Comments Lesson 121

Any	obedience	God
Serpent	Christ	keep
Subtilty	virtuous	hearts
Minds	crown	minds
Corrupted	virtuous	peace
Lovely	price	
Pleasant	far	
Anger	rubies	
Jonathan	virtue	
Saul	virtue	
Javelin	virtue	
Smite	spiritually	
Fierce	life	
Anger	peace	
Lovely	thinketh	
Pleasant	heart	
Honest	renewing	
Report	mind	
Good	fruit	
Report	thoughts	
Good	thoughts	
Report	troubled	
Imaginations	loins	
Against	loosed	
Knowledge	knees	
God	peace	
Captivity	mind	
Thought	peace	

Keeping our minds filled with the things of Phil. 4:8 will eliminate any thoughts that could corrupt our minds.

God knows that our minds, our thoughts, need discipline. We need to purposely direct our thinking!

Let the word of God be the discerner of the thoughts and intents of your heart, Heb. 4:12.

Lesson 122 The Fifth Finally

The fifth and final “finally” is found in II Thess. 3:1 “Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may have free course, and be glorified, even as it is with you:”

Paul is calling on the saints to pray! Especially for other saints. We find Paul praying for the saints.

I Thess. 1:2 “We give thanks to God always for _____ all, making mention of _____ in our _____.”

Col. 1:3 “... _____ always for _____.”

Phil. 1:4 “Always in _____ of mine for you _____.”

Col. 1:9 “...do not _____ to _____ for _____.”

Phil. 1:9 “And this I _____ that your love may abound...”

Eph. 6:18 “ _____ with all _____ and _____ in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and _____ for _____.”

Praying for other saints should be at the top of our prayer list.

Prayer is simply talking to God. This wonderful privilege of communication that we believers enjoy with our heavenly Father is vital to our Christian life! I am impressed upon with the number of times Paul asks for others to pray for him. Yes, the apostle Paul needed, wanted, desired the intercessory prayers of the saint on his behalf!

Rom. 15:30 “...that ye strive together with me in _____ to God for _____.”

II Cor. 1:11 “Ye also helping together by _____ for _____.”

Eph. 6:18, 19, vs. 19 “And for _____.”

Col. 4:3 “Withal _____ also for _____.”

I Thess. 5:25 “Brethren, _____ for _____.”

Have you ever asked someone to pray for you? Or told someone, “I’m praying for you”? These verses should encourage us to do so. I have a friend that I have never met but we correspond through the mail. She has told me that she has a brightly colored piece of paper on her bulletin board with my name on it and every time she sees it she prays for me. I can’t begin to tell you how that has encouraged me time and time again!

In our verse in II Thess. 3:1, Paul not only reminds the saints to pray but he then gives a list of things that the saints should pray about concerning him.

II Thess. 3:1-2 “...that the word of the Lord may have _____.” Paul wanted the word of God to run full steam ahead. It is good to be specific in our prayers for others. Paul prayed about specific needs for the saints.

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In Col. 1:9 he prayed that the saints would be _____ with the _____ of God's will.

In Eph. 3:16 he prayed that the saints would be _____ with might by his Spirit in the _____."

In Phil. 1:9 he prayed that the saints _____ would abound more and more in _____ and in all _____."

In Rom. 10:1 Paul prayed for the salvation of Israel.

In I Thess. 3:10 we read "_____ and _____ that we might _____ your _____..."

In the midst of the business of his day Paul found time to pray for the saints. In the evening when at rest Paul prayed for the saints.

Paul teaches us to pray especially for the spiritual needs of the saints and the world. Eph. 1:16-21 gives us some wonderful instruction about what to pray for in regards to the saints. Vs. 17 "...the spirit of _____ and _____ in the _____ of _____; vs. 18 the _____ of your _____ being _____ that ye may _____ what is the _____ of his calling and what the _____ of the glory of his inheritance in the saints, vs. 19 And what is the exceeding greatness of his _____ to us-ward who believe..."

Powerful things to pray about on behalf of the saints!

When the saints are on our hearts and in our prayers we will be looking for ways to encourage and benefit each other.

I think of how the saints encouraged Paul in Acts 28:15 "And from thence, when the _____ heard of us, they _____ to _____ us as far as Appii forum, and the three taverns: whom when Paul _____, he _____ God, and took _____." The saints play a vital role in encouraging each other! I'm sure these saints were praying for Paul and when they heard he was coming they went to see him.

What love and care should exist among the saints for each other.

When we pray for each other we increase our bonds of love for one another and we look for ways to edify and minister to each other.

In Col. 4:12 we find a prayer warrior! "_____, who is one of you, a _____ of _____, saluteth you, always _____ for _____ in _____, that ye may stand _____ and _____ in _____ the _____ of _____."

Speaking of Timothy, Paul says in II Tim. 1:3 "...that without ceasing I have _____ of thee in my _____ and _____."

What an exhortation we have to pray for each other!

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The five finally's!

1. Farewell
2. Be Strong
3. Rejoice
4. Think
5. Pray

No better way to conclude this study than to rehearse these 5 finally's and let them resonate in our lives!!