

And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. And all who believed were together and had all things in common. And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved. *Acts 2:42-47*

The Life of Daniel

1. Prayers are powerful when they are <u>humble</u>

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...God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble...Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up. James 4:6,10

2. Prayers are powerful when they are _____ specific _____

Then Daniel said to the king, "O king, live forever! My God sent his angel and shut the lions' mouths, and they have not harmed me, because I was found blameless before him; and also before you, O king, I have done no harm." *Daniel 6:21-22*

...You do not have, because you do not ask God. James 4:2

3. Prayers are powerful when they are <u>persistent</u>

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4. Prayers are powerful when they are <u>expectant</u>

Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours. *Mark 11:24*

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