

**THE POWER OF PRAYER IN A NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH**  
**Pt 4**

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**IV. THE POWER OF PRAYER IN THE NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH**

**A. The Power of A Praying Congregation of Believers (from Eph. 6)**

**B. The Power of Spiritual Leaders Praying Within The Church (from Acts)**

**C. The Necessity of Prayer in The Church \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Timothy 2:1-8)**

1. Prayer is to be offered by the local church, in general, for \_\_\_\_\_ (2:1)
2. Prayer was to be offered specifically for those in \_\_\_\_\_ authority (2:2a)
- Why is this important? “...*that (hina) we may lead a \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.*” (2:2b)
  3. All prayer offered in regard to people should have their \_\_\_\_\_ in view (2:3)
- Since the fall of man into sin & death, their salvation has always been God’s \_\_\_\_\_.
  4. “This (praying for the salvation of all men) is \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ in the sight of God our Savior!”(2:3)
  5. This is because God desires all men to be \_\_\_\_\_ & come to the \_\_\_\_\_ of the truth!
- So we see God’s mind on this matter, but what about for us on a personal level...with God’s people - you & me?

\* What will this desire require on the individual sinner’s part? (1 Tim. 2:4b)

6. This “*knowledge*” reveals the only \_\_\_\_\_ that can mediate heaven for us... it is the man \_\_\_\_\_!

- What was the ransom price this mediator had to pay?

7. Not only are you to pray for \_\_\_\_\_ men, as God desires \_\_\_\_\_ men to be saved, but He also died for \_\_\_\_\_ as a \_\_\_\_\_ payment, so He could be testified to by \_\_\_\_\_ believers during their time here on earth. (2:6)

- What did He do? (2:6)
- How many did Christ die for?

Dr. Paul Reiter’s comments:

8. Paul was appointed by Christ as an apostle to the Church, to lay the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ that all must \_\_\_\_\_ and apply by \_\_\_\_\_ to be saved. (2:7)

9. In light of all that Paul had said previously (in verses 1-7), it was his desire... “*that the* \_\_\_\_\_.” (2:8)

- The apostle here mentions 3 conditions for our prayers to be effective:
  - a. ... to have an \_\_\_\_\_ before the Lord (2 Sam. 22:21; Psalm 24:3-4)
  - b. ... to pray “*without* \_\_\_\_\_;” ... without harboring an attitude of \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ (Col. 3:8) ( this will stifle any prayer to God!)
  - c. ... to pray “*without* \_\_\_\_\_;” ... instead prayer is to be offered to God \_\_\_\_\_ (Phil. 2:14)
- What can you personally apply from this passage regarding prayer?