The Warrior's Prayer

Eph. 6:18-24

Prayer, The Meaning:

Prayer is not primarily a method for getting things or changing circumstances, but the means of learning how to cooperate with Him and His will.

The Characteristics of Our Prayer Life: v.18

The Power of our Prayer Life: v.18

Romans 8:26-27; "Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God."

The Manner of our Prayer Life: v.18

We are to pray with "all perseverance and supplication."

We are to pray with perseverance:

Jesus stated in Luke 11:9; "And I say to you, ask, and it shall be given to you; seek, and you shall find; knock, and it shall be opened."

Next we are to pray specifically:

"Whatever you ask in My name," Jesus promised, "that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask Me anything in My name, I will do it." (John 14:13)

James wrote; "you do not have because you do not ask" (James 4:2).

Spurgeon wrote; "Asking is the rule of the kingdom. It is a rule that will never be altered in anyone's case. If the Son of God cannot be exempted from the rule of asking that He may have, you and I cannot expect to have the rule relaxed in our favor either."

We are to pray for the needs of other believers:

The Precision of Our Prayers: v.18

"being watchful to this end"

The Purpose of this Prayer: v.19-20