

Character of Prayer

Text: 1 Thess. 5:17 (Luke 18:1)

I. A Devotion Requiring Persistence (Luke 18:1)

A. Its duration: always

B. Its demand: and not to faint

II. A Directive Demanding Obedience (1 Thess. 5:17)

A. Its command: YOU pray.

B. Its continuation: without ceasing

III. A Duty Affecting Gospel Furtherance (2 Thess. 3:1, 2; Eph. 6:19)

A. By removing obstacles (2 Thess. 3:1)

B. By protecting from adversaries (2 Thess. 3:2)

C. By opening doors (Col. 4:3)

IV. A Design Supporting Our Spiritual Warfare (Eph. 6:18)

A. Carried on in the Spirit

B. Conducted in behalf of the saints