



God Answers Prayer

We will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the Word. – Acts 6:4

All great soul-winners have been men of much and mighty prayer, and all great revivals have been preceded and carried out by persevering, prevailing knee-work in the closet. Before Jesus began His ministry, when great multitudes followed Him, He spent 40 days and nights in secret prayer and fasting.

Paul prayed without ceasing. Day and night his prayers and pleadings and intercessions went up to God.

The Pentecostal baptism of the Spirit, and the 3,000 conversions in one day, were preceded by 10 days of prayer and praise and heart-searching and Bible-searching. And they continued in prayer until, on another day, 5,000 were converted. Even "a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith."

Luther used to pray three hours a day, and he broke the spell of ages and set captive nations free. John Knox used to spend nights in prayer, and cry to God, saying, "Give me Scotland, or I die!" And God gave him Scotland.

David Brainerd used to lie on the frozen ground at night, wrapped in a bear's skin, and spit blood, and cry to God to save the Indians. God heard him, and they were converted and sanctified by the scores and hundreds.

Acts 6:7