

# *Titus Women's Prayer Group*

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The power, influence, and results of an intimate group of praying women has to be experienced to be understood. Prayer is our very life's blood and without it we do not develop normally, flourish, or grow. It is the key not only to survival but to life and health, physical, mental, and spiritual. It brings joy, peace and victory to our daily walk. Although I had experienced great times of prayer, personal and corporate, it was not until after my return from the mission field in Africa and the death of my Mother, a great prayer warrior, who had been my lifetime prayer partner, that I had the privilege of joining such a group. What a blessing! Our group was made up of four or five women with a lifetime of walking with the Lord and a deep love relationship with Him.

He tells us in Jeremiah to "Call upon me and I will answer you and show you great and mighty things that you know not." Time after time He did it for us. He is a miracle working God and nothing is too hard for the Lord. He longs for us to ask largely that He might show forth His power. His love and His faithfulness "Prove me now herewith, saith the Lord." How vast are the possibilities of prayer. It lays its hand on Almighty God and moves Him to do what He would not otherwise do, if prayer were not offered.

How much is the bitterness of life sweetened by prayer? The feeble are strengthened and sickness is made to fall before it. Doubts, misgivings and fears retire before it and walls of hatred, misunderstanding and envy fall. Wisdom, knowledge, Holiness, and Heaven are at the command of prayer. "The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much."

The answer to prayer is the part that glorifies God. It is not the act, the position of the body, the vehement or mild utterance to God nor the exquisite beauty and poetry of the diction of our prayers which accomplish the answer. It is not our eloquence in praying that makes prayer effectual. It is the answer that brings glory to His name and reveals His power, and that depends on our faith. "According to your faith so be it unto you."

We as women have a special relationship with our Lord. He understands as no one else does, our need for a listening ear and a shoulder of support. He loves our dependency as the weaker vessel to commune with Him and give Him the opportunity to bless, strengthen, encourage and instruct us.

It is in prayer that we honor God and acknowledge His being, exalt His power, adore His providence and secure His aid. "Pray without ceasing."