

Sunday June 5<sup>th</sup> 2016  
The Prayers of the Saints  
Study Questions

1). What is the context in Revelation in which we find golden bowls filled with the prayers of the saints?

a). Where do we find the first mention of 'pray' in scripture and what can we learn from this?

b). Where do we find the first mention of 'prayer' in scripture and what can we learn from this?

c). Where is the word 'pray' first found in the Gospels and what can we learn from this, both from what is said and the setting in which it is said?

d). What conclusion can we draw from all this?

2). Read Philippians 4:1-9 – As you read these verses what do you see to be the context in which we find v6-7?

a). What do you think v6-7 would like in our own experience as we pursue the Kingdom?

3). Read Philippians 2:25-27 – To what does Paul attribute Epaphroditus' cure from sickness 'almost to death'?

a). Read 2 Timothy 4:19-22 – What does Paul tell us about Trophimus?

b). Read Acts 19:11-12 – Compare these verses with what we just read in Philippians and 2 Timothy – what do you notice and what should we learn from this?

c). [Remember the subject of our study today] In relation to Epaphroditus' and Trophimus' sickness what is not seen or mentioned?

d). Why do you think this is?

4). Read James 5:14-16 – What is the overall context of the Book of James in which these verses are found?

a). What do these verses appear to be teaching us?

b). How would we apply these verses?

5). Read 1 Timothy 2:8 – What do you think about this verse?

a). What connection is there between this verse and 1 Peter 3:7 and 12?

6). Read 1 Peter 4:7 – 1 Thessalonians 5:17 – Ephesians 6:18 and Colossians 4:2 – What do we learn from these verses and what would this look like in practice for us?

a). Any final thoughts?