## Lesson 19

### The Prayer of Faithful Believers

### 1 Timothy 2:1-8

### Day 1: Faithful in Prayer – Part 1 (vs. 1-8)

1. In In verses 1–2, what instruction regarding prayer is given? For whom was the church to pray?
2. Using a dictionary, define “entreaty” and “petition.”
3. The Greek rendering of the word “entreaty” carries a meaning of “to lack” or “to be deprived.” From verses 2–7, for what is Paul urging Timothy to pray?
4. Why do the lost need the prayers of believers? See also Romans 3:10–18, 1 Corinthians 2:14, and Isaiah 42:16.
5. How do Romans 13:1–2 and Matthew 5:43–44 add to your understanding of praying for the salvation of those in authority over us?

**Day 2: Faithful in Prayer – Part 2 (vs. 1-2)**

1. Briefly summarize the following Scriptures in your own words.
	1. Numbers 14:19
	2. 1 Samuel 7:3–5
	3. Daniel 9:17–19
	4. Romans 10:1
	5. What is the common theme of these verses?
2. Dig Deeper: Where else in Scripture does Paul describe the Christian life as “tranquil” or “quiet?”
3. What do you think it means to lead a life of “godliness and dignity?”

	1. How is this an important aspect of one’s Christian testimony?

**Day 3: Faithful Redeemer – Part 1 (vs. 3-7)**

1. What is verse 3 referring to as being “good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior?”
2. Briefly write the meaning the following verses in your own words.
	1. Isaiah 45:22
	2. Isaiah 55:1
	3. Ezekiel 33:11
	4. Acts 4:12
	5. 2 Peter 3:9
	6. In one sentence, summarize what these verses teach about salvation.
3. How would you respond to someone who says that every person will go to heaven or that all gods and religions are the same?

**Day 4: Faithful Redeemer – Part 2 (vs. 3-7)**

1. Using a dictionary, define “mediator” and “ransom.”
2. Read verse 5 with Matthew 20:28. How is Christ a ransom for believers and why was this necessary?

	1. What does Hebrews 9:13–14 teach about the sufficiency of Christ’s ransom for believers?
3. Dig Deeper: Read Galatians 4:4. How does this add to your understanding of Paul’s reference to “the proper time” in 1 Timothy 2:6?
4. From verse 7, why was Paul appointed a preacher and to whom was he sent?

	1. Why do you think Paul defends his credentials here?

**Day 5: Fighting the Faithful Fight (vs. 18-20)**

1. From verse 8, why does Paul emphasize the need for men in the church to pray?

	1. What do James 5:16 and Psalm 66:18 tell us about the proper preparation for prayer?
2. How has this passage increased your understanding of Christ’s work on your behalf?
3. Applying the call to evangelistic prayer, for whom will you pray specifically this week?

For whom in authority will you specifically pray for salvation this week?

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