

Contending

ENGAGING IN
REVOLUTIONARY PRAYER

PART FIVE – February 24, 2019

Luke 18:1 One day Jesus told his disciples a story to show that they should **always pray and never give up**.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

- As we follow Jesus, our desire is for prayer to be _____ into our lives so that it becomes our _____ response — natural and automatic. As life is happening in real time, prayer allows us to intentionally include God in all that is happening.

Why pray continually?

1. **The _____ is _____.** Is there ever a time when we don't need God's intervention in some part of our story? (Matthew 6:11)
2. **My faith-_____ need continual _____.** It's in the practice of prayer that I'm reminded: Jesus is here; He is good; and He is Lord! (Psalm 118:5-6)
3. **This is a God-given _____.** As we commune with God throughout the day, we are obediently following His instruction. (Romans 12:12)

How can we pray continually?

1. **Pray _____ of prayers.** (Ephesians 6:18)
2. **Develop prayer _____.** (Acts 3:1)
3. **Use every situation as a _____ - _____.** (Philippians 4:6)
4. **Learn the beauty of _____ prayer.** (Romans 8:26)