Pray

1Thess. 5:23 And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Prayer must involve your whole being

Prayer must be by faith in God

Prayer must be for Peace Sanctification, Preservation and “unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ”

Sanctification is for spirit, soul and body.

**Body**—The Man, physical

* Instrument of Righteousness
* Temple of the Holy Ghost

Soul— seat of conscience

* Who you are

Spirit—the of life of a man

* Inner being

Sanctification is a part of salvation that deals with progressive growth in grace and the knowledge of Jesus Christ—to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ—into the same image and likeness of God’s dear Son. God is faithful in carrying out His part in the building of Christian character. God's [faithfulness](http://cgg.org/index.cfm/fuseaction/Library.sr/CT/PERSONAL/k/244/Fruit-of-Spirit-Faithfulness.htm) guarantees the progressive perfection of a Christian's life.

2Cor. 3:18 But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.  
Col 1:13 Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son:

“I pray God”

1. A Cry

It’s time to Pray to God

It’s time to believe God.

It’s time to praise God.

It’s time to obey God.

*It’s time for the fire of Heaven be in our hearts and our tongues.*

Through prayer search is made

We don’t understand what is missing unless we pray

“Sanctify you wholly”

“Your whole spirit and soul and body”

“and I pray God”

Praying to the very God of Peace

“The very God of peace”

Romans 15:33 Now the God of peace be with you all. Amen.

Romans 16:20 And the God of peace shall bruise Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen.

2Cor. 13:11—*Finally, brethren, farewell. Be perfect, be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace; and the God of love and peace shall be with you.*

Php. 4:9 Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, do: and the God of peace shall be with you.

Hebrews 13:20 Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant,

Romans 15:5—*Now the God of patience and consolation grant you to be likeminded one toward another according to Christ Jesus:*

1Peter 5:10—*But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you.*

Eph. 1:17*—That the* ***God of our Lord Jesus Christ****, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him:*

Acts 7:2*—And he said, Men, brethren, and fathers, hearken; The God of glory appeared unto our father Abraham, when he was in Mesopotamia, before he dwelt in Charran,*

Acts 3:13—***The God of*** *Abraham, and* ***of*** *Isaac, and* ***of*** *Jacob, the God* ***of*** *our fathers, hath* ***glorified his Son Jesus****; whom ye delivered up, and denied him in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let him go.*

Acts 5:30—*The* ***God of our fathers raised up Jesus****, whom ye slew and hanged on a tree.*

Acts 7:46—*Who* ***found favour before God****, and desired to find a tabernacle for the God of Jacob.*

Romans 3:29 Is he the God of the Jews only? is he not also of the Gentiles? Yes, of the Gentiles also:

Praying to the very God of the living

Mark12:27—*He is not the God of the dead, but the God of the living: ye therefore do greatly err.*

Luke 20:38—*For he is not a God of the dead, but of the living: for all live unto him.*

Praying to the very God

Romans 6:11—*Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

2Cor. 5:15*—And that he died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again.*

1Peter 4:2*—That he no longer should live the rest of his time in the flesh to the lusts of men, but to the will of God.*

Gal. 5:24*—And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.*

***Lusts****—{ or, passions, longings, desires}*

25*—If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.*

1Thess. 3:13 To the end he may stablish your hearts unblameable in holiness before God, even our Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all his saints.

2Co 7:1 Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

2Th 2:17 Comfort your hearts, and stablish you in every good word and work.

Jas 3:6 And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire of hell.

1Co 9:27 But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway.

Ro 6:11 Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

12 Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof.

13 Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God.

18 Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.

19 I speak after the manner of men because of the infirmity of your flesh: for as ye have yielded your members servants to uncleanness and to iniquity unto iniquity; even so now yield your members servants to righteousness unto holiness.

Ro 12:1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

Ps 78:7 That they might set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments:

8 And might not be as their fathers, a stubborn and rebellious generation; a generation that set not their heart aright, and whose spirit was not stedfast with God.

9 The children of Ephraim, being armed, and carrying bows, turned back in the day of battle.

10 They kept not the covenant of God, and refused to walk in his law;