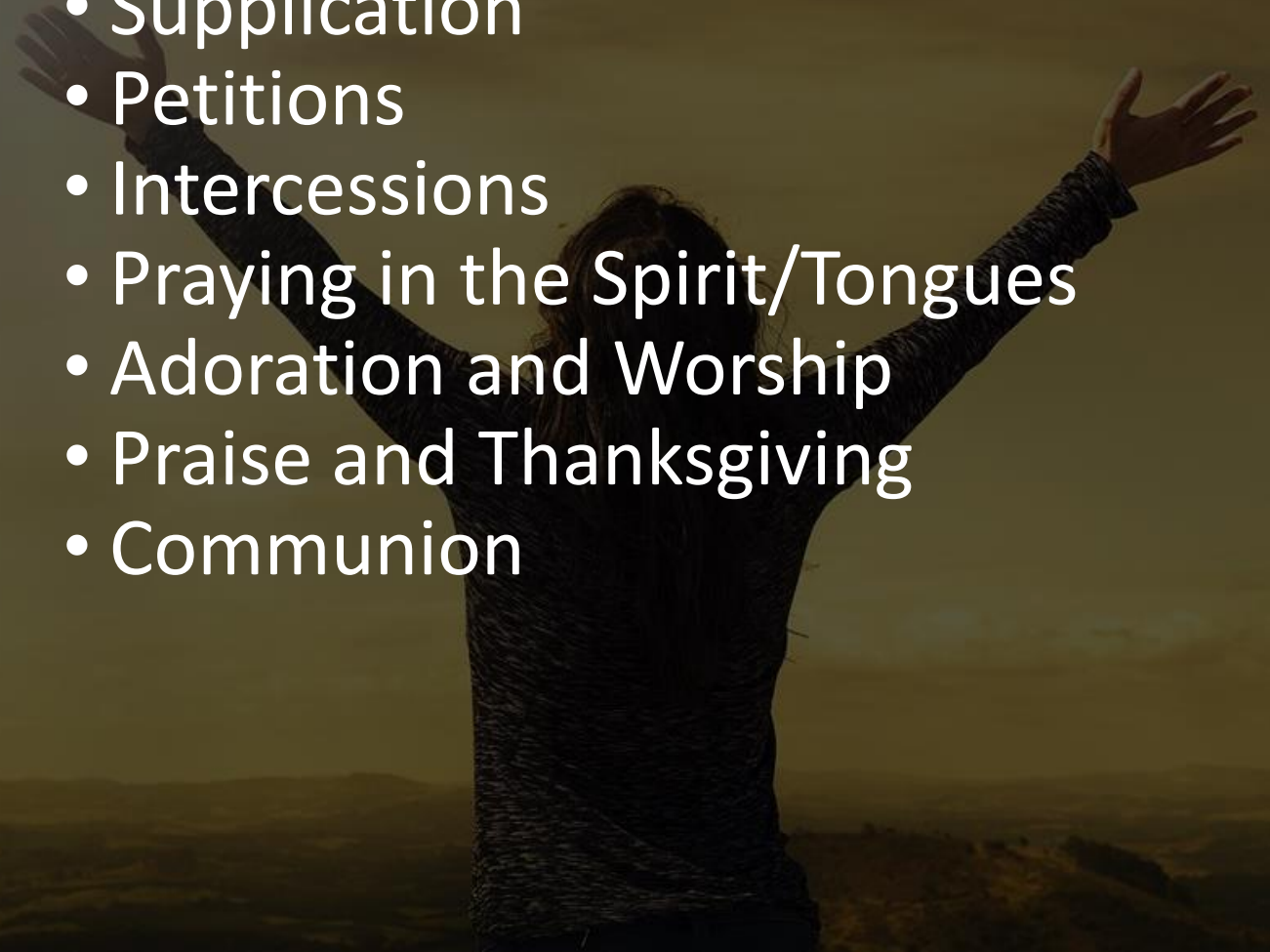


“Lord, teach us
to pray”
Part 1

A Two-Part Teaching on Prayer
The Final Project for
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Prayer is:
“*Communication*
that requires a
Conversation”

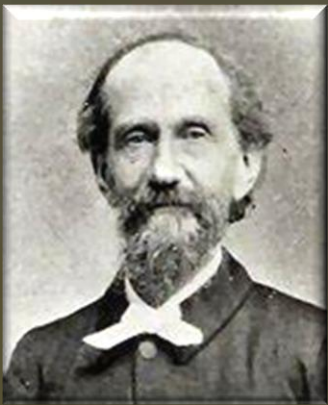
- Confession/Repentance
- Supplication
- Petitions
- Intercessions
- Praying in the Spirit/Tongues
- Adoration and Worship
- Praise and Thanksgiving
- Communion



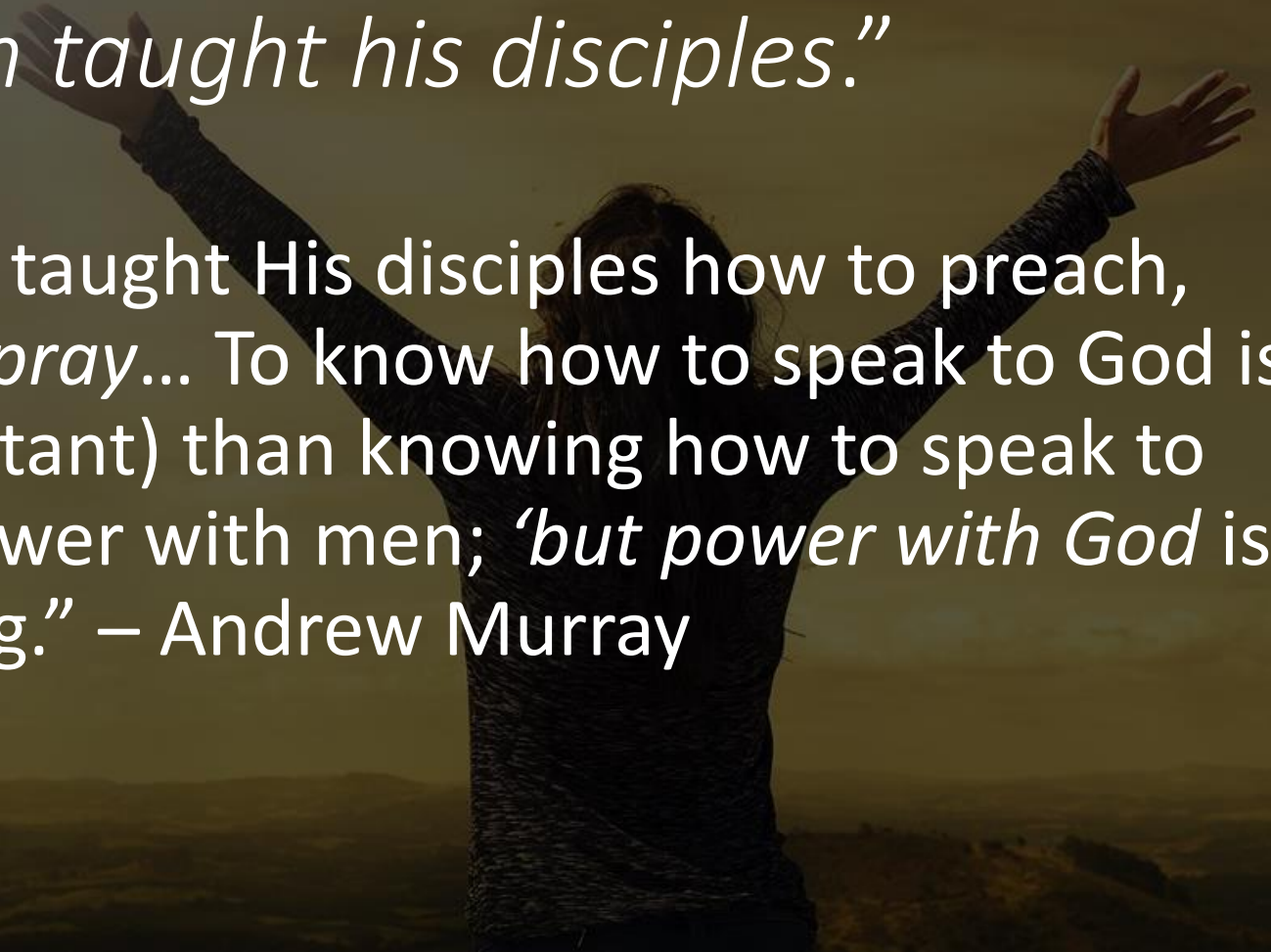
Prayer is shown
as *relational* and
conversational

- God's People Submit to Grace
- Psalmist/Prophets Confess sin
- David- Forgiveness & Restoration
- Seraphs (angelic) – “Holy, Holy...”
- Isaiah – “Woe to me!”
- Asaph – to know God
“Whom have I in heaven but you? And
earth has nothing I desire more than
you.” (Ps 73:25)

Luke 11:1 *One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.”*



“Jesus never taught His disciples how to preach, only how to pray... To know how to speak to God is more (important) than knowing how to speak to man. Not power with men; ‘but power with God is, the first thing.” – Andrew Murray



Col 4:2 NIV “Devote yourselves to prayer,...”

“Devote” – *proskartereo*

- to adhere to - Act 2:42 NIV *They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer*
- to be steadfastly attentive unto - Act 6:4 NIV *and will give our attention to (proskartereo) prayer and the ministry of the word.*

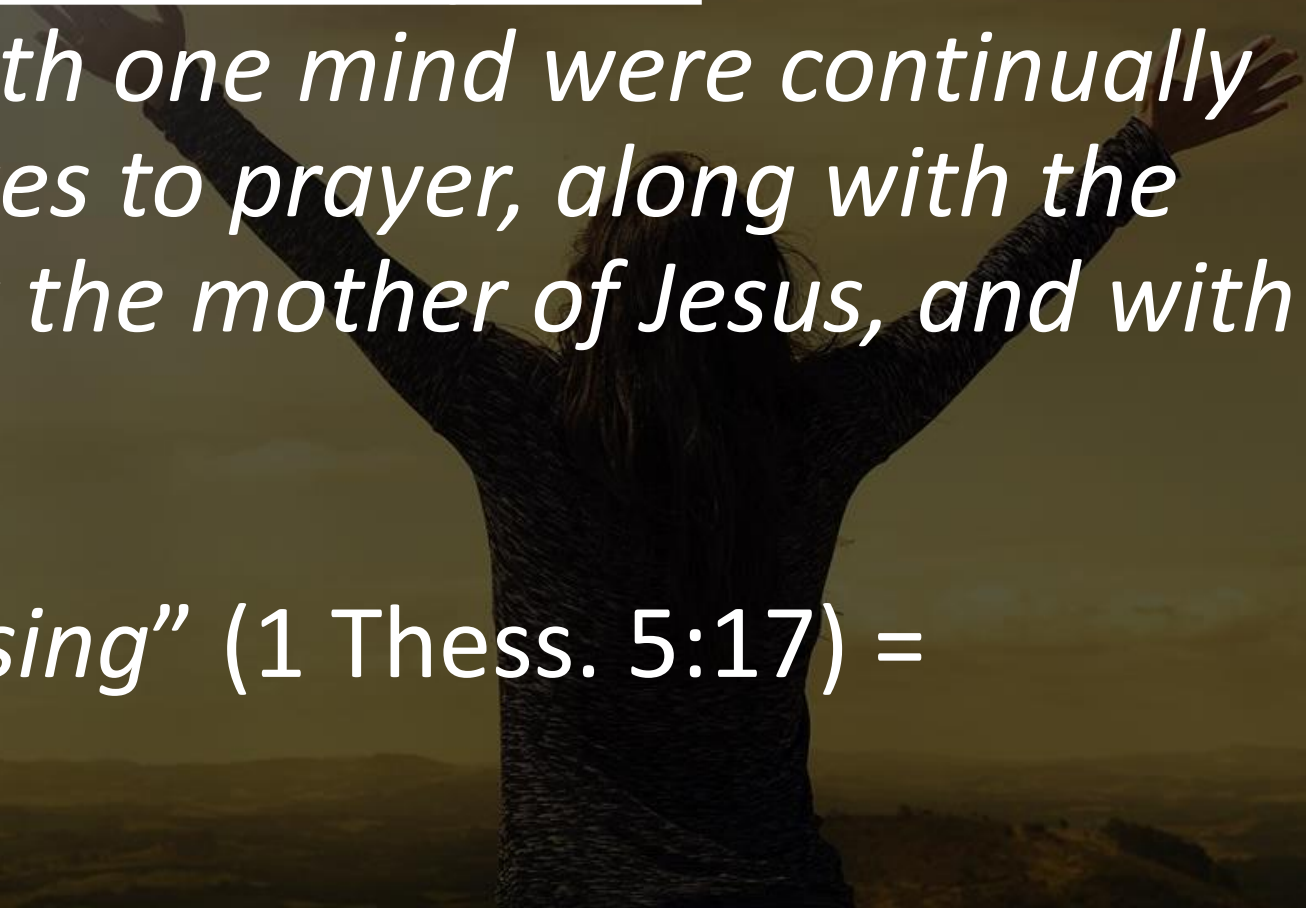
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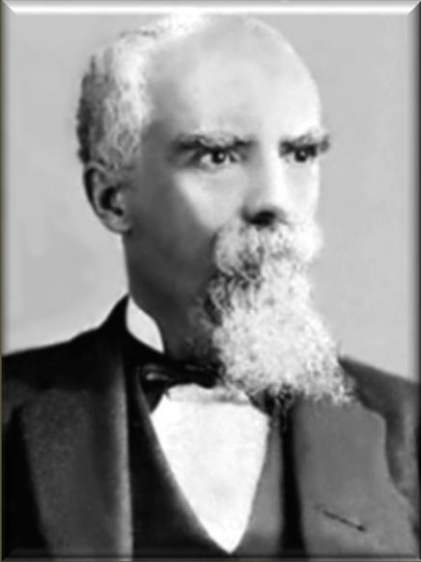
“Devote” – *proskartereo*

- to continue all the time in a place - Act 1:14

NASB *These all with one mind were continually devoting themselves to prayer, along with the women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with His brothers.*

- “pray without ceasing” (1 Thess. 5:17) = uninterruptedly



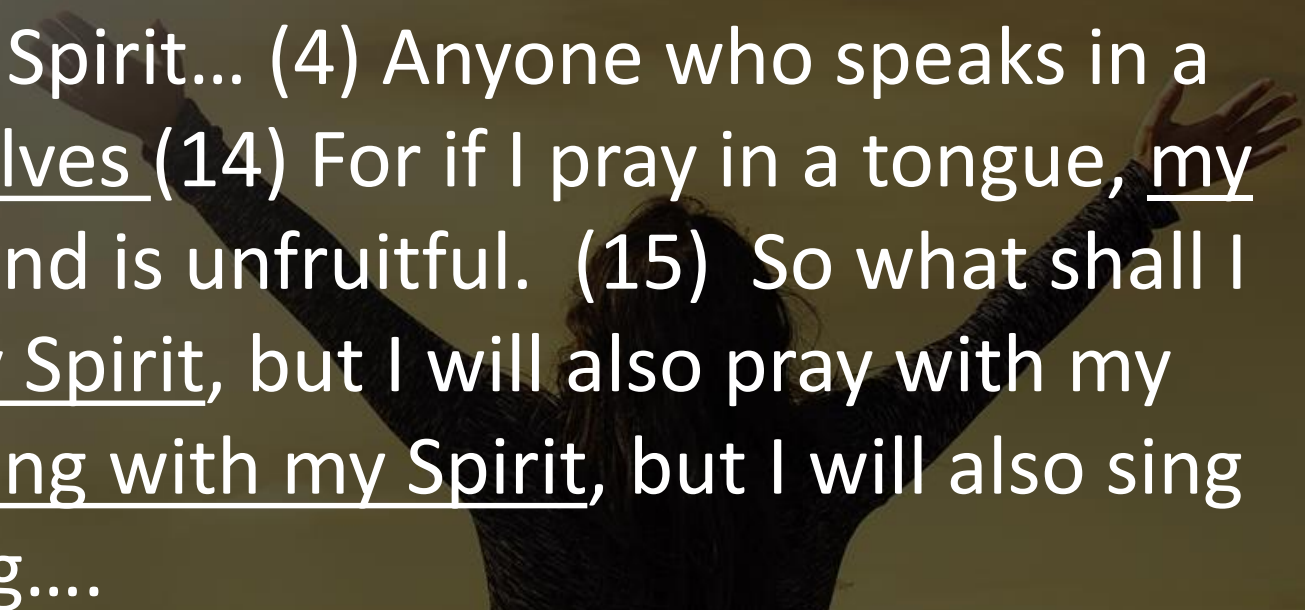


“The men who have most fully illustrated Christ in their character, and have most powerfully affected the world for him, have been men who spent so much time with God as to make it a *notable feature of their lives.*” – E. M. Bounds

Act 4:13 NIV *When they saw the courage of Peter and John and realized that they were unschooled, ordinary men, they were astonished and they took note that these men had been with Jesus.*

The Dynamic of praying in tongues/in the Spirit: 1Co 14:2,4, 14-15 - builds up, strengthens, encourages

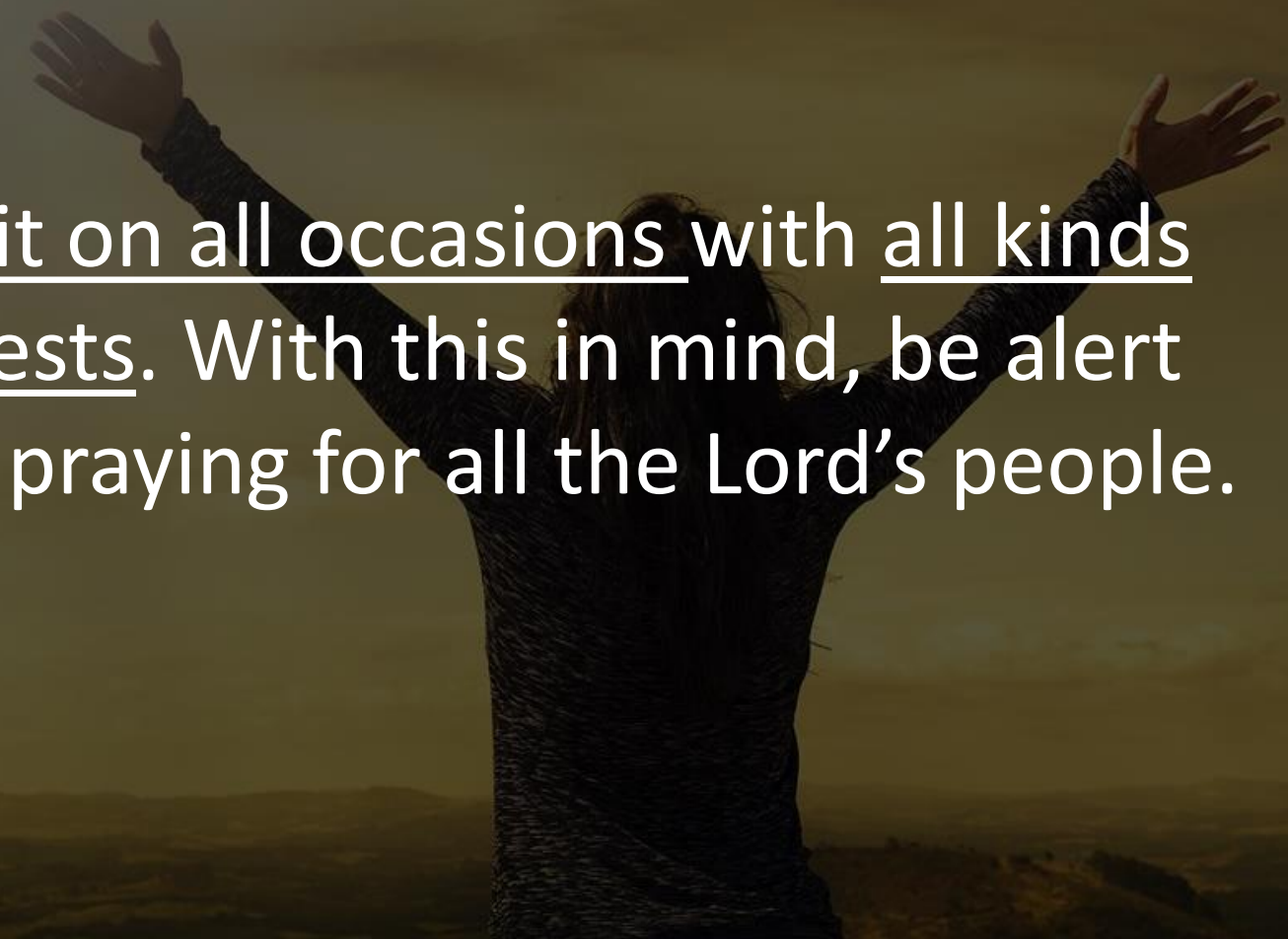
(2)...anyone who speaks in a tongue speaks... to God...they utter mysteries by the Spirit... (4) Anyone who speaks in a tongue edifies themselves (14) For if I pray in a tongue, my Spirit prays, but my mind is unfruitful. (15) So what shall I do? I will pray with my Spirit, but I will also pray with my understanding; I will sing with my Spirit, but I will also sing with my understanding....

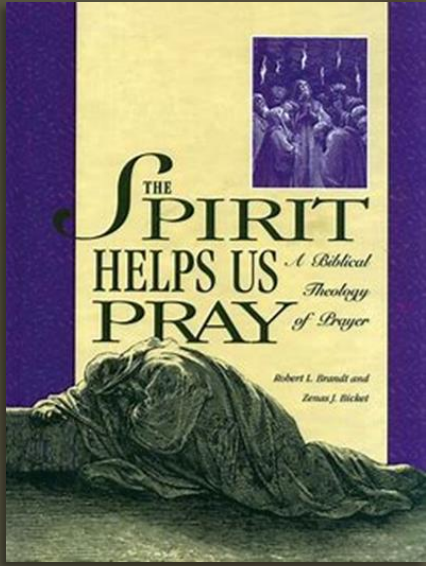
A person is shown from the back, with their arms raised in a gesture of prayer or praise. They are standing in front of a sunset or sunrise over a body of water, with the sky transitioning from dark to light. The person is wearing a dark, long-sleeved top.

The Dynamic of praying in tongues/in the Spirit: 1Co 14:2,4, 14-15 - builds up, strengthens, encourages

Eph 6:18 NIV

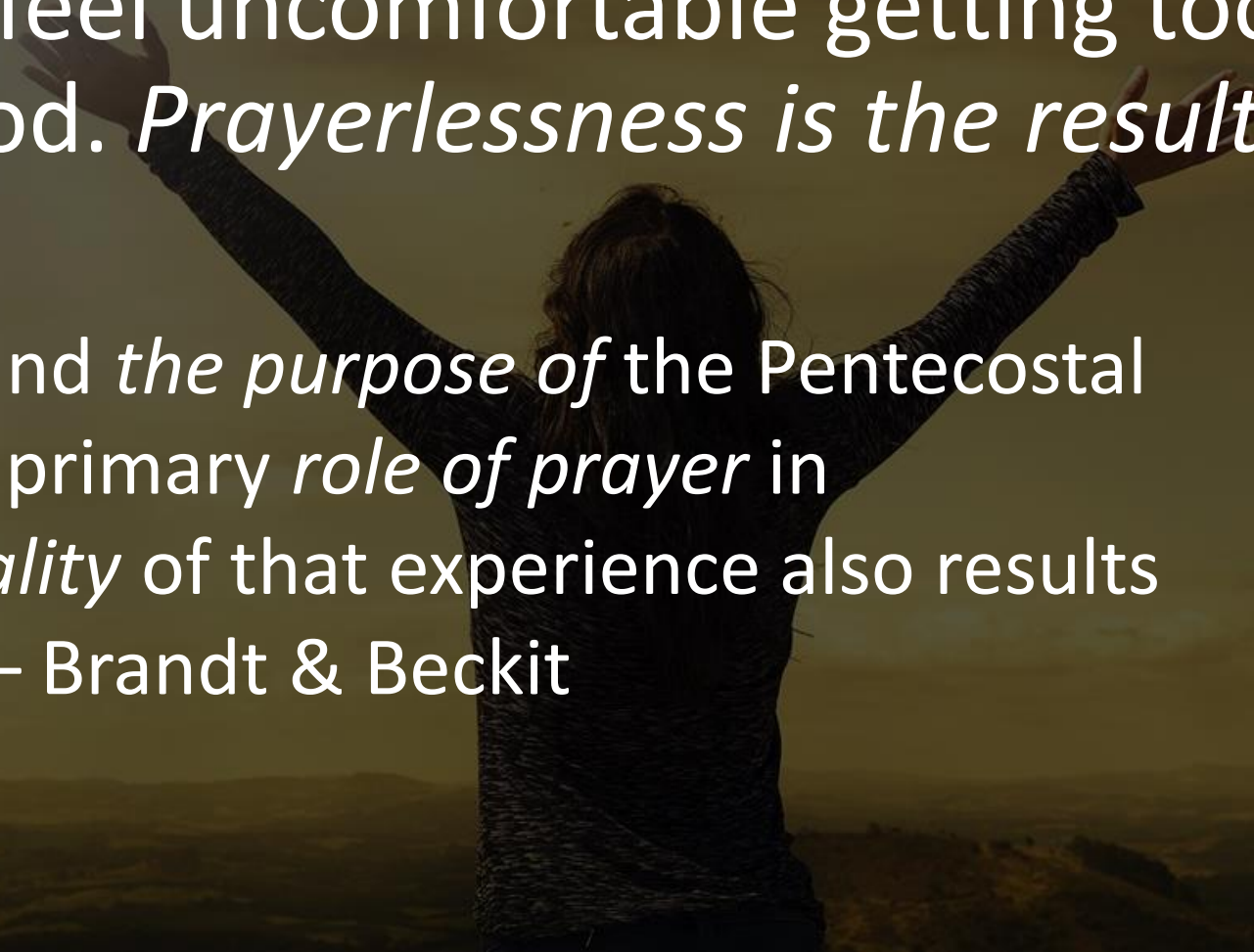
And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people.

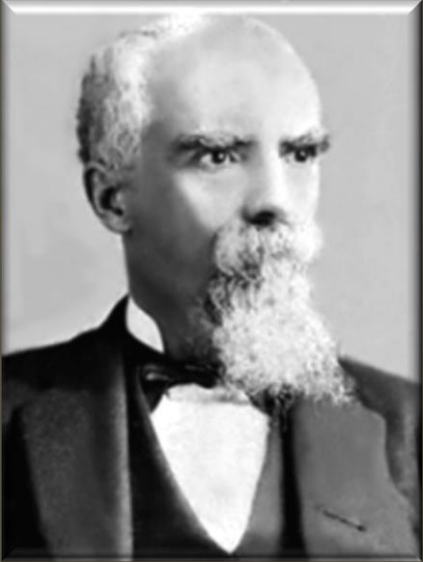
A person is shown from the back, standing with their arms raised in a gesture of prayer or praise. They are silhouetted against a bright, hazy sky, likely during sunrise or sunset. The person is wearing a dark, long-sleeved top. The background shows a vast, open landscape with rolling hills or mountains under a warm, golden light.



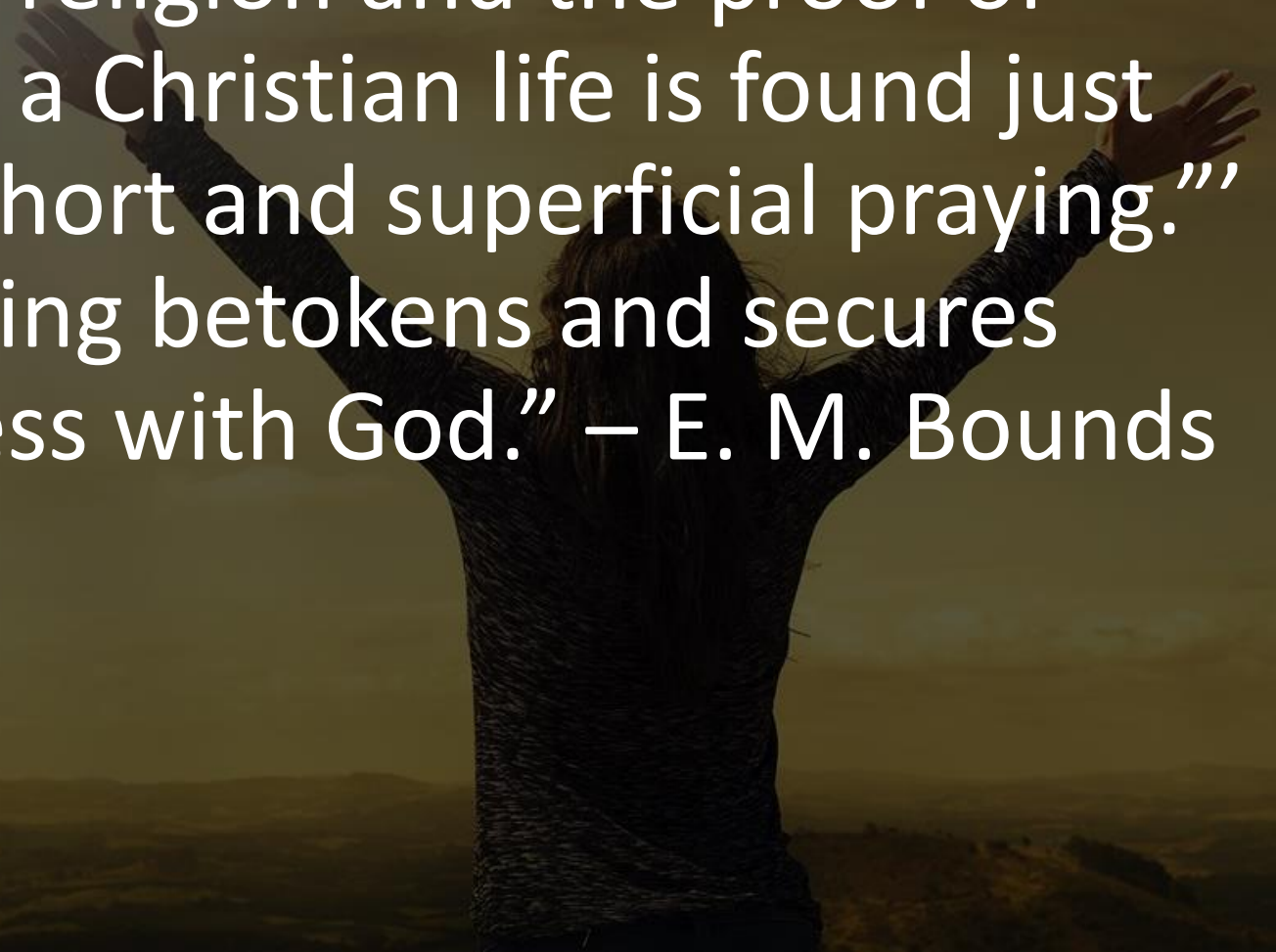
“We live in an age that *avoids intimacy* and close relationships... ..(therefore) some Christians feel uncomfortable getting too close to God. *Prayerlessness is the result...*”

“Failure to understand *the purpose* of the Pentecostal experience and the *primary role of prayer* in *maintaining the vitality* of that experience also results in prayerlessness.” – Brandt & Beckit



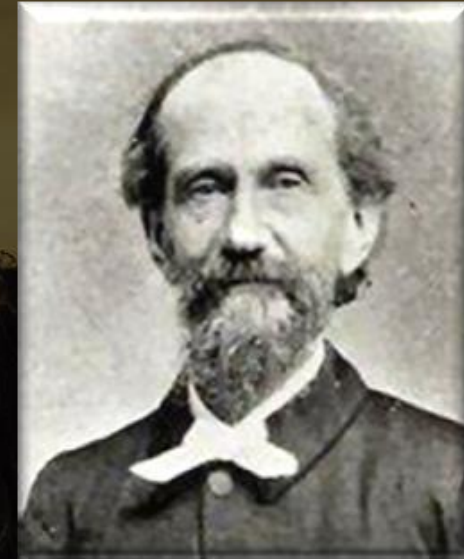


“Let it be remembered that the source of decline in religion and the proof of decline in a Christian life is found just here, in ‘short and superficial praying.’”
Such praying betokens and secures strangeness with God.” – E. M. Bounds



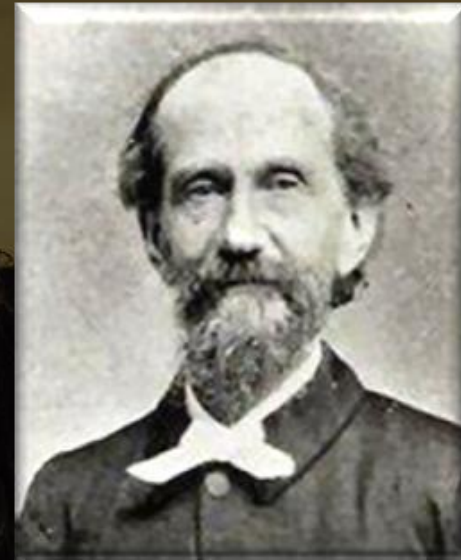
“Learn the great lesson that your prayers must rule your whole life ...Oh, the sacredness and power of prayer, if it takes possession of the heart and life! It keeps us constantly in fellowship with God.”

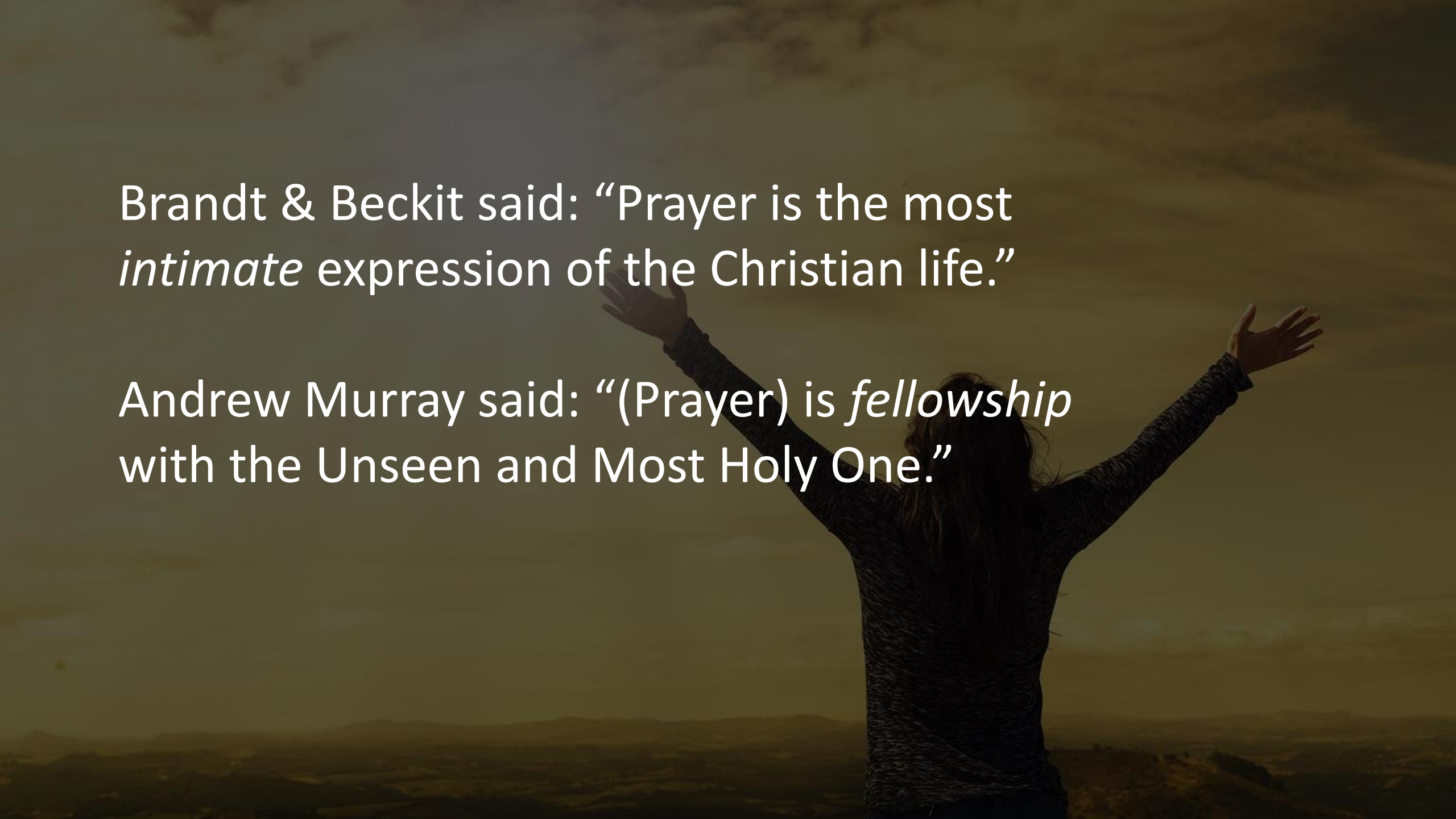
– Andrew Murray



“Prayer is indeed the very pulse of the spiritual life. It is the great means of bringing to the minister and people the blessing and power of heaven. Persevering and believing prayer means a strong and an abundant life.”

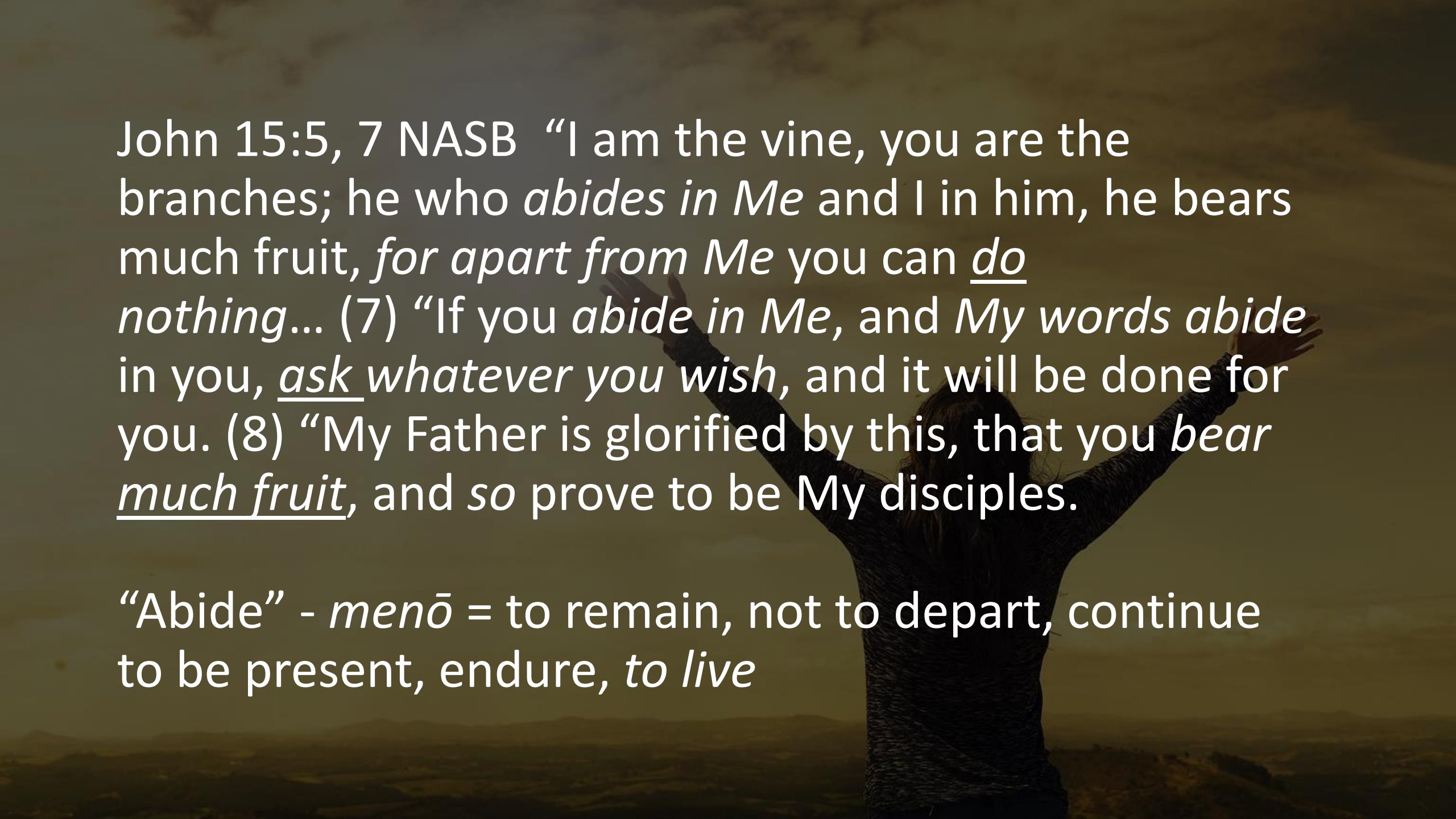
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A person is seen from behind, standing on a hill or mountain peak. Their arms are raised high in the air, palms facing forward, in a gesture of prayer or praise. The person is wearing a dark, long-sleeved top. The background is a vast, hazy landscape under a warm, golden light, suggesting a sunrise or sunset. The overall mood is one of spiritual connection and awe.

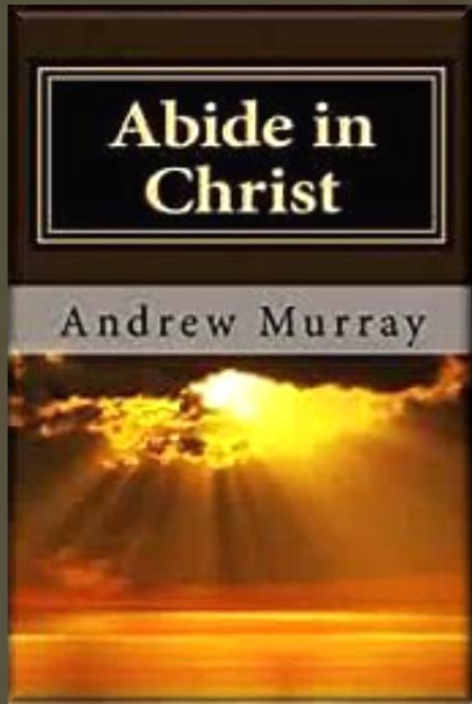
Brandt & Beckit said: “Prayer is the most *intimate* expression of the Christian life.”

Andrew Murray said: “(Prayer) is *fellowship* with the Unseen and Most Holy One.”



John 15:5, 7 NASB “I am the vine, you are the branches; he who *abides in Me* and I in him, he bears much fruit, *for apart from Me you can do nothing...* (7) “If you *abide in Me*, and *My words abide in you, ask whatever you wish*, and it will be done for you. (8) “My Father is glorified by this, that you *bear much fruit*, and so prove to be My disciples.

“Abide” - *menō* = to remain, not to depart, continue to be present, endure, *to live*



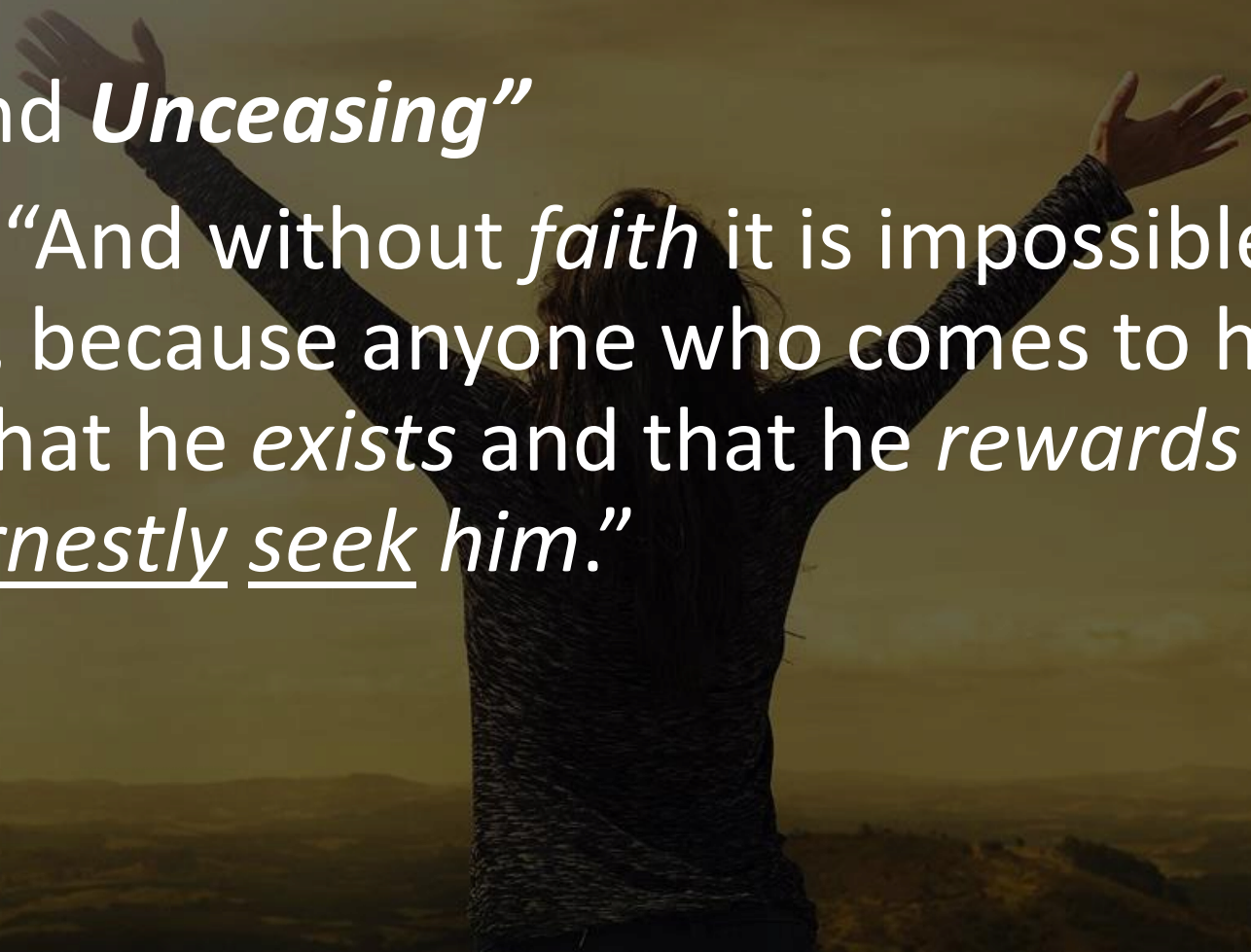
“During the life of Jesus on earth, the word He chiefly used when speaking of the relations of the disciples to Himself was: ***‘Follow me.’*** When about to leave for heaven, He gave them a new word, in which their more intimate and spiritual union with Himself in glory should be expressed. That chosen word was: ***‘Abide in me.’***”



TWO KEY ELEMENTS TO PRAYER

- ***“Believing and Unceasing”***

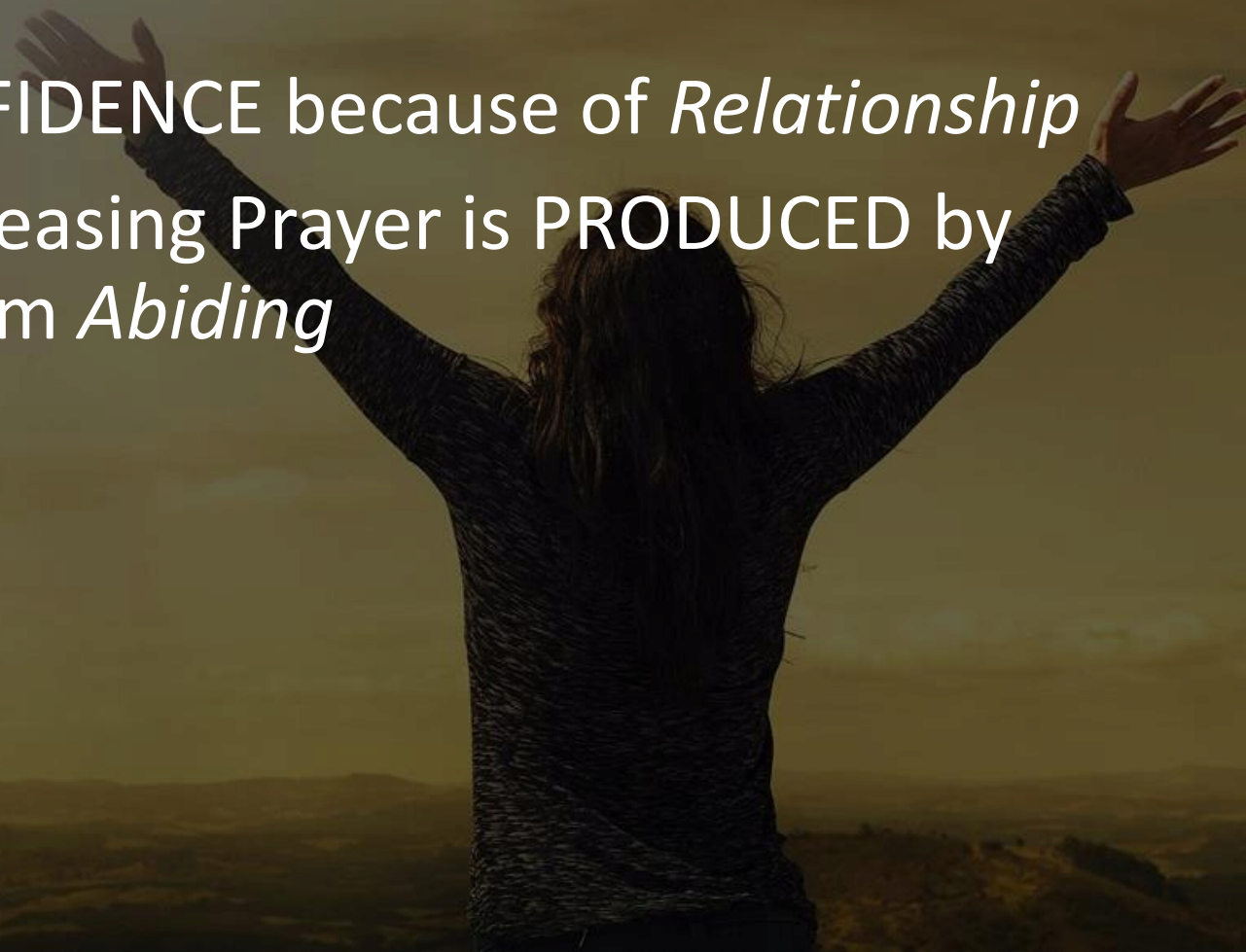
Heb 11:6 NIV “And without *faith* it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him *must believe* that he *exists* and that he *rewards* those who *earnestly seek him*.”





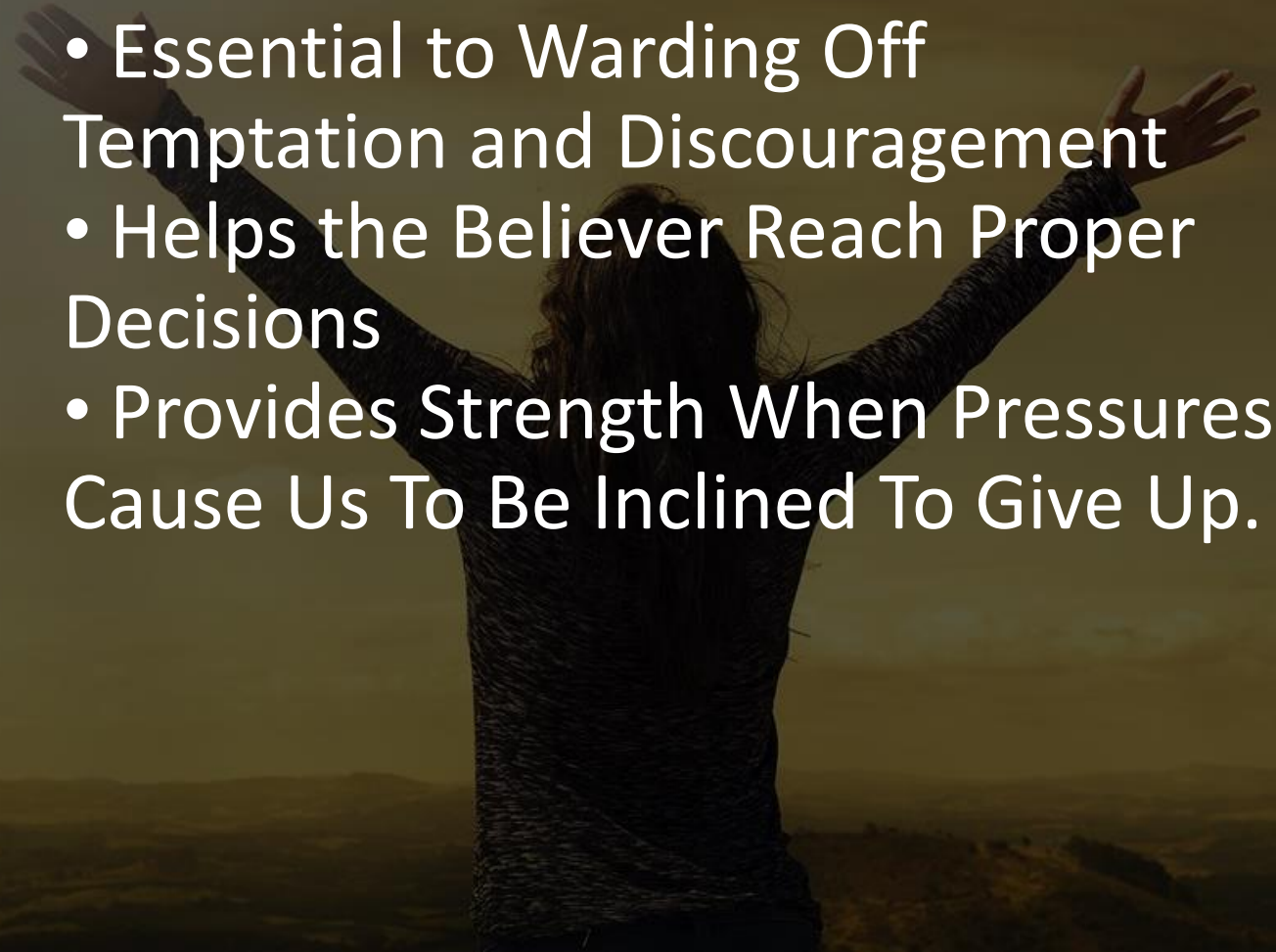
“Believing and Unceasing Prayer”
Luke 11:5-13

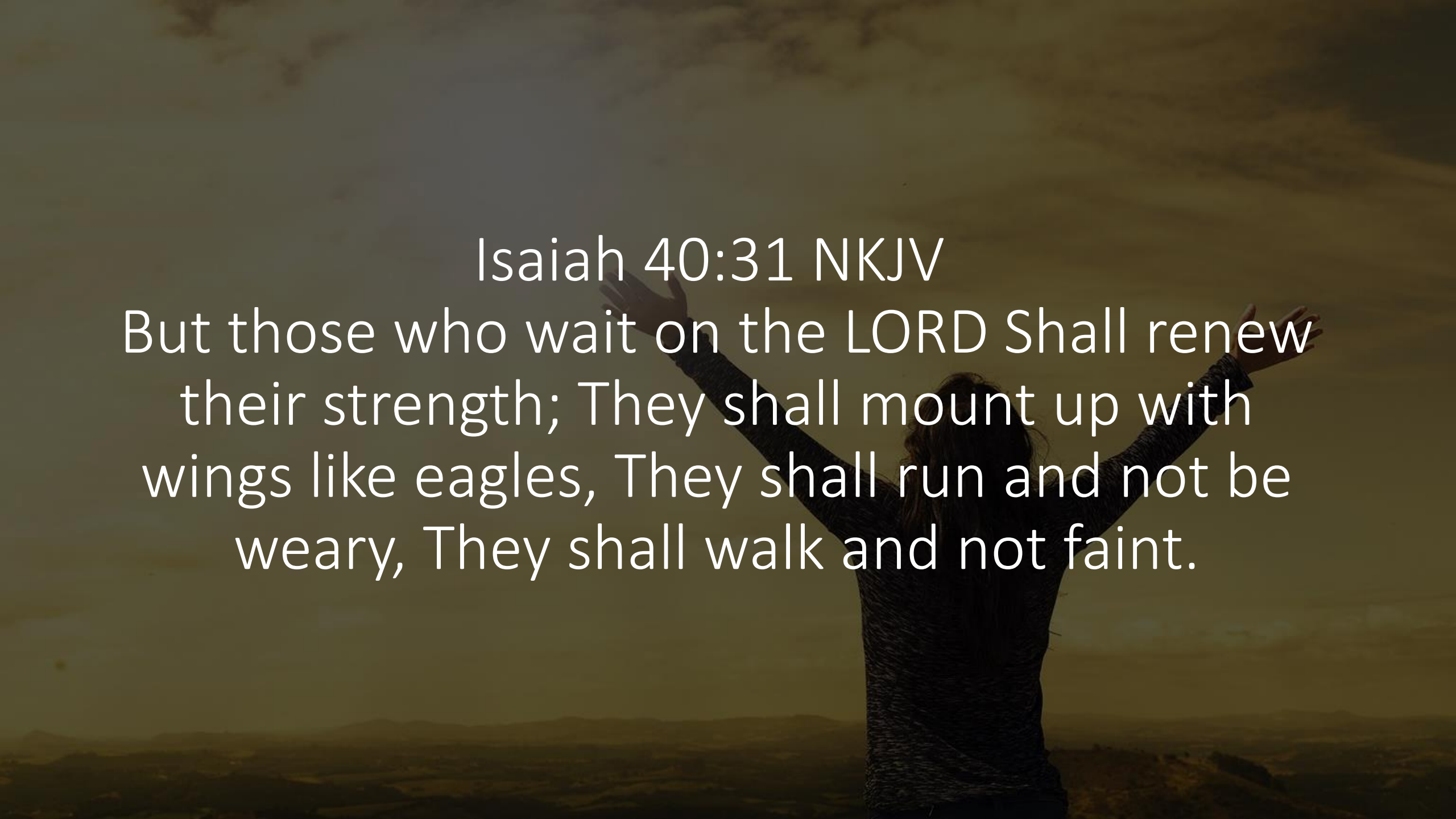
There was CONFIDENCE because of *Relationship*
Believing & Unceasing Prayer is PRODUCED by
Relationship from *Abiding*



When we learn
to Abide in
Christ our Prayer
Life will have a
Comprehensive
Impact on Life

- Primary Key to Accomplishing God's Work
- Essential to Warding Off Temptation and Discouragement
- Helps the Believer Reach Proper Decisions
- Provides Strength When Pressures Cause Us To Be Inclined To Give Up.



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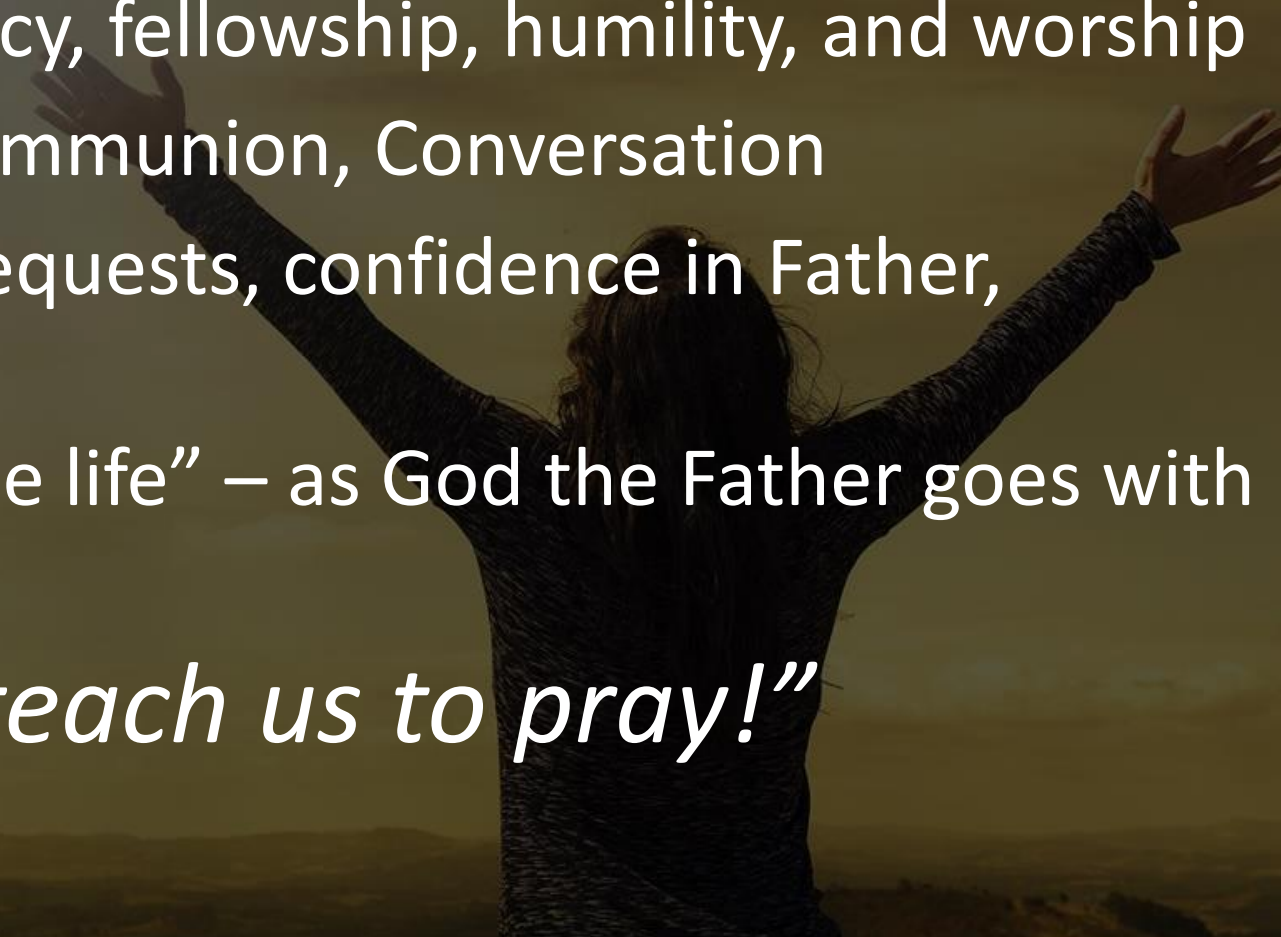
Isaiah 40:31 NKJV

But those who wait on the LORD Shall renew
their strength; They shall mount up with
wings like eagles, They shall run and not be
weary, They shall walk and not faint.

More Than a List - Our Prayer Life Is To Be:

- One of *abiding* with Christ and Father.
- Place of honesty, intimacy, fellowship, humility, and worship
- Times of Confession, Communion, Conversation
- Characterized by bold requests, confidence in Father, Unceasing
- Should shape our “whole life” – as God the Father goes with us.

“Lord, teach us to pray!”

A person is shown from behind, standing with their arms raised in a gesture of prayer or worship. They are wearing a dark, long-sleeved top. The background is a soft, golden sunset over a landscape, with the sun low on the horizon, creating a warm, hazy atmosphere. The person's silhouette is dark against the bright, glowing sky.

“Lord, teach us to pray” begins with “Abide in Me”

Andrew Murray



Each time, before you intercede, be quiet first, and worship God in His glory. Think of what He can do, and how He delights to hear the prayers of His redeemed people. Think of your place and privilege in Christ, and expect great things!

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