

Building Community (Part 5)
Acts 2:42 “They devoted themselves to prayer.”

What does the New Testament teach us about prayer?

1. Prayer is an essential part of church life.

Acts 6:1-4

2. Examples of prayer.

- A. The Lord’s Prayer – Matthew 6:9-15
- B. The prayer of the early church – Acts 4:23-31
- C. Paul’s prayer for believers – Ephesians 1:15-23

3. Prayer is a spiritual obligation.

- A. Ephesians 6:18-19
- B. Colossians 4:2
- C. 1 Thessalonians 5:17
- D. 1 Timothy 2:1, 8
- E. 1 Peter 4:7

4. Prayer for wisdom and discernment

- A. The selection of an apostle. Acts 1:24
- B. The appointment of pastors/elders. Acts 13:3 Acts 14:23
- C. Prayer for understanding. Ephesians 1:18

5. Prayer for deliverance

Acts 12:5 2 Corinthians 1:10-11

6. Prayer is the antidote to worry. Philippians 4:6-7

7. Prayer energizes God on our behalf.

- A. Luke 18:1-8
- B. James 5:13-18
- C. 1 Peter 3:12
- D. Revelation 5:8 Revelation 8:3