

Colossians 4:2 – “Continue earnestly in prayer, being vigilant in it with thanksgiving.”

VIGILANCE IN PRAYER

Be outrageously vigilant in prayer. Don't be vague in your requests or unfocused when you approach the Lord. Be specific when you pray. Tell the Lord exactly what you want. There are mysteries to prayer, but don't let what you don't understand keep you from being diligent in seeking the Lord. Vigilance is a necessity. The KJV says “watch in prayer.” Keep awake. Prayer is vigilance. Be alert for specific needs about which to pray. Watch for possible dangers and difficulties. In the Garden of Gethsemane Jesus told His disciples, “Watch and pray, lest you enter into temptation. They slept and were unprepared for the distressing events to come. Finally, pray with thanksgiving. Thank the Lord for answers to prayer even before they are answered. Guy King says, “His love wants the best for us. His wisdom knows the best for us; and His power gets the best for us.” Thank Him for His love, His wisdom, and His power.