Romans 15:30 – "I beg you, brethren through the Lord Jesus Christ and through the love of the Spirit, that you strive together with me in prayers to God for me."

## STRIVE IN PRAYER

Strive means to struggle in company with or to be a partner with. What are prayer partners to do? Three things are mentioned in this verse. First, Paul said "strive together for me." Paul was a strong Christian. He planted churches all over Europe and Asia Minor during his missionary travels. He wrote at least 13 letters in the New Testament. He was in and out of prison for preaching the Gospel. Read II Corinthians 11:23-29 for a record of his persecutions. People who preach the Gospel need other saints to struggle together with them in prayer. Paul begged for prayer partners. Second, Paul made his appeal for prayer partners through the Lord Jesus Christ who is our intercessor in Heaven. When you strive with someone in prayer, you are joining our Great High Priest in the work of intercession. Third, when you strive together with people who preach the Gospel, you are praying through the love of the Holy Spirit. If you desire a ministry become a prayer partner, and join others in their struggle.