**Five Guaranteed Prayers**

*Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.*

*Rom 12:12*

**1 Strength**

The biggest problems in ministry is weariness – not physical but spiritual

I need to fill me up – do physical activities AND pray – pray for strength

2 Tim 4.17

**2 Joy**

**People often relate blessings to circumstances = terrible**

**Idolatry is believing joy comes from someplace else beside God**

People are attracted to happy people

**3 Peace**

Be anxious for nothing – nothing – nothing – nothing

**4 Wisdom**

= What to say and what to do in any situation where he places man

**5 Opportunities to serve**

God gives them to those who want it

Pray for open doors – opportunities to serve – to do more than yesterday

1. ***Strength***.

**Psalm 10:17**

O Lord, You have heard the desire of the humble; You will strengthen their heart, You will incline Your ear.

**Psalm 18:1-3**

“I love You, O Lord, my strength.” The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, My God, my rock, in whom I take refuge; My shield and the horn of my salvation, my

stronghold. I call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised, and I am saved from my enemies.

**Colossians 1:9-11**

For this reason also, since the day we heard of it, we have not ceased to pray for you and to ask that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, So that you may walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, to please Him in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; Strengthened with all power, according to His glorious might, for the attaining of all steadfastness and patience; joyously giving thanks to the Father.

**Psalm 18:31-33**

For who is God, but the Lord? And who is a rock, except our God, the God who girds me with strength, and makes my way blameless? He makes my feet like hinds’ feet, and sets me upon my high places.

**2 Corinthians 3:5**

Not that we are adequate in ourselves to consider anything as coming from ourselves, but our adequacy is from God.

**Psalm 18:39**

For You have girded me with strength for battle.

**Ephesians 3:16**

That He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with power through His Spirit in the inner man.

**Isaiah 40:29-31**

He gives strength to the weary, and to him who lacks might He increases power. Though youths grow weary and tired, and vigorous young men stumble badly, yet those who wait for the Lord will gain new strength; They will mount up with wings like eagles, they will run and not get tired, they will walk and not become weary.

**2 Timothy 4:17**

But the Lord stood with me, and strengthened me, in order that through me the proclamations might be fully accomplished; And that all the Gentiles might hear; and I was

delivered out of the lion’s mouth.

**Psalm 29:11**

The Lord will give strength to His people; the Lord will bless His people with peace.

**Psalm 31:2**

Incline Your ear to me, rescue me quickly; be to me a rock of strength, a stronghold to save me.

**Psalm 46:1**

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

**Psalm 86:16**

Turn to me, and be gracious to me; oh grant Your strength to Your servant, and save the son of Your handmaid.

**Psalm 105:4**

Seek the Lord and His strength; seek His face continually.

**Psalm 119:28**

My soul weeps because of grief; strengthen me according to Your word.

**Psalm 138:3**

On the day I called You answered me; You made me bold with strength in my soul.

2. ***Joy***.

**1 Chronicles 16:27**

Splendor and majesty are before Him, strength and joy are in His place.

**Psalm 30:10-12**

“Hear, O Lord, and be gracious to me; O Lord, be my helper. You have turned my mourning into dancing; You have loosed my sackcloth and girded me with gladness; that my soul may sing praise to You, and not be silent. O Lord my God, I will give thanks to You forever.

**Nehemiah 8:10**

Then he said to them, “Go, eat of the fat, drink of the sweet, and send portions to him who has nothing prepared; “For this day is holy to our Lord. Do not be grieved, for the joy of

the Lord is your strength.”

**Nehemiah 12:43**

And on that day they offered great sacrifices and rejoiced because God had given them great joy, even the women and children rejoiced, so that the joy of Jerusalem was heard from afar.

**Psalm 16:11**

You will make known to me the path of life; in Your presence is fulness of joy; in Your right hand there are pleasures forever.

3. ***Peace.***

**Philippians 4:6-7**

Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all

comprehension, shall guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

**Philippians** **1-2**

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

**Numbers 6:26**

The Lord lift up His countenance on you, and give you peace.

**Psalm 29:11**

The Lord will give strength to His people; the Lord will bless His people with peace.

4. ***Wisdom***

**James 1:5**

But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all men generously and without reproach, and it will be given to him.

**2 Chronicles 1:10**

“Give me now wisdom and knowledge, that I may go out and come in before this people; for who can rule this great people of Thine?”

**Proverbs 2:3-5**

For if you cry for discernment, lift your voice for understanding; if you seek her as silver, and search for her as for hidden treasures; Then you will discern the fear of the Lord, and

discover the knowledge of God.

**Daniel 2:19-20**

Then the mystery was revealed to Daniel in a night vision. Then Daniel blessed the God of heaven; Daniel answered and said, “Let the name of God be blessed forever and ever, for wisdom and power belong to Him.”

5. ***Opportunities to serve***

**1 Corinthians 16:9**

For a wide door for effective service has opened to me, and there are many adversaries.

**2 Corinthians 2:12**

Now when I came to Troas for the gospel of Christ and when a door was opened for me in the Lord . . .

**Acts 14:27**

And when they had arrived and gathered the church together, they began to report all things that God had done with them and how He had opened a door of faith to the Gentiles.

**Colossians 4:3**

Praying at the same time for us as well, that God may open up to us a door for the word, so that we may speak forth the mystery of Christ, for which I have also been imprisoned.

**2 Thessalonians 3:1**

Finally, brethren, pray for us that the word of the Lord may spread rapidly and be glorified, just as it did also with you.