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“ There is no power in dull, listless praying. If there is no fire on the altar, the incense will not rise to God. Real praying demands spiritual energy and alertness, and this can come only from the Holy Spirit of God. Routine prayers are unanswered prayers. ”

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“ Paul was not ashamed to ask his friends to pray for him. Even though he was an apostle, he needed prayer support for himself and his ministry. If a great Christian like Paul felt the need for prayer support, how much more do you and I need this kind of spiritual help! ”

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#### How To Be A Missionary

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- Look For Opportunities
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“ It means that we are careful not to say or do anything that would make it difficult to share the Gospel. It also means we must be alert to use the opportunities God gives us for personal witnessing. ”

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So all bore witness to Him, and marveled at the gracious words which proceeded out of His mouth. And they said,  
"Is this not Joseph's son?"

Luke 4:22

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#### Some Important Aspects Of Fellowship

- Have Close Friendships
- Talk About Life's Events
- Serve Together
- Forgive & Reconcile
- Pray For Each Other
- Say Hello
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“It was more fitting for the Colossians to say this to Archippus than for Paul himself to say it to him. He needed to hear this from the people around him. They need to say “fulfill your ministry” directly to Archippus, not behind him.”

David Guzik, Enduring Word Commentary

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