

Scripture Reading

**2 Thessalonians 1 :11-12
(NASB1995)**

¹¹ To this end also we pray for you always, that our God will count you worthy of your calling, and fulfill every desire for goodness and the work of faith with power, ¹² so that the name of our Lord Jesus will be glorified in you, and you in Him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.



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Spiritual Bootcamp: Prayer

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II Thes. 1:11-12 (NASB 1995)

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 1. Selfishness--*Jas. 4:3, "You ask and do not receive because you ask with wrong motives, so that you may spend it on your pleasures."*



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 2. Marital problems--*1 Pet. 3:7, "You husbands... live with your wives in an understanding way... and grant her honor as a fellow heir of the grace of life, so that your prayers may not be hindered."*



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 3. Lack of forgiveness--*Mark 11:25, "Whenever you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against anyone, so that your Father who is in heaven will also forgive you your transgressions."*



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 4. Fear--*Phil.4:6, "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God."*



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Hudson Taylor

“I prayed, and at first I thought that prayer was talking, but I became more and more quiet until I learned that prayer is listening”



I. Worthiness (vs.11a)-- live up to your calling



In Christ



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I AM ACCEPTED

Jn1:12	I am God's child.
Jn 15:15	I am Christ's friend.
Rom 5:1	I have been justified.
1 Cor 6:17	I am united with the Lord and one with Him in spirit.
1 Cor 6:19-20	I have been bought with a price - I belong to God.
1 Cor 12:27	I am a member of Christ's body.
Eph 1:1	I am a saint.
Eph 1:5	I have been adopted as God's child.
Eph 2:18	I have direct access to God through the Holy Spirit.
Col 1:14	I have been redeemed and forgiven of all my sins.
Col 2:10	I am complete in Christ.



In Christ

I AM SECURE

Rom 8:1-2

I am free from condemnation.

Rom 8:28

I am assured that all things work together for good.

Rom 8:31-34

I am free from any condemning charges against me.

Rom 8:35-39

I cannot be separated from the love of God.

2 Cor 1:21-22

I have been established, anointed, and sealed by God.

Col 3:3

I am hidden with Christ in God.

Phil 1:6

I am confident that the good work that God has begun in me will be perfected.

Phil 3:20

I am a citizen of heaven.

2 Tm 1:7

I have not been given a spirit of fear, but of power, love, and a sound mind.

Heb 4:16

I can find grace and mercy in time of need.

1 Jn 5:18

I am born of God and the evil one cannot touch me.



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I AM SIGNIFICANT

Matt 5:13-14

I am the salt and light of the earth.

Jn 15:1,5

I am a branch of the true vine, a channel of His life.

Jn 15:16

I have been chosen and appointed to bear fruit.

Acts 1:8

I am a personal witness of Christ's.

1 Cor 3:16

I am God's temple.

2 Cor 5:17-21

I am a minister of reconciliation.

2 Cor 6:1

I am God's co-worker.

Eph 2:6

I am seated with Christ in the heavenly realm.

Eph 2:10

I am God's workmanship.

Eph 3:12

I may approach God with freedom and confidence.

Phil 4:13

can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.



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- *God, I want to be worthy to bear the name of Christ; I don't want to bring dishonor to His name.*



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III. Power--modifies “work of faith”



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- *God, I want my works and service to You to be powerful and mighty, as I rely on Your power and not my own.*



Conclusion



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