How to Develop a Praying Lifestyle

- 1 Thessalonians 5:17 "...pray continually." NIV
- 1 Thessalonians 5:17 "...pray without ceasing." NASV

1 Thessalonians 5:17 "Never stop praying." NLT

1 Thessalonians 5:17 "...pray at all times." TEV

Key #1: _____ Where You Are

Luke 18:10-14 "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. 11 The Pharisee stood up and prayed about himself: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men — robbers, evildoers, adulterers — or even like this tax collector. 12 I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.' 13 "But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, 'God, have mercy on me, a sinner.' 14 "I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted." NIV

Key #2: Be _____ with God

Job 10:3 "What do you gain by oppressing me? Why do you reject me, the work of your own hands, while smiling on the schemes of the wicked?" **NLT**

Job 10:18 "Why, then, did you deliver me from my mother's womb? Why didn't you let me die at birth?" **NLT**

Job 30:20-23 "I cry to you, O God, but you don't answer. I stand before you, but you don't even look. 21 You have become cruel toward me. You use your power to persecute me. 22 You throw me into the whirlwind and destroy me in the storm. 23 And I know you are sending me to my death— the destination of all who live." **NLT**

Key #3: Continue the _____ all Day Long

Nehemiah 2:4-5 "The king said to me, "What is it you want?" Then I prayed to the God of heaven, 5 and I answered the king, "If it pleases the king and if your servant has found favor in his sight, let him send me to the city in Judah where my fathers are buried so that I can rebuild it." **NIV**