

## Ephesians 6:18; Lord's Day 45

### PRAYING ALWAYS (3)

- I. In the spirit.
  - A. First, this refers to the spirit of the one praying.
  - B. Second, this refers to the Spirit of God (Jude 20).
- II. Watching - an attitude of spiritual alertness and anticipation, often urged by Jesus (Col. 4:2; I Peter 4:7).
  - A. Watch against...
  - B. Watch over our thoughts and heart.
  - C. Watch for...
  - D. The more watchful we are, the more we pray.
- III. Perseverance in prayer (confer Colossians 4:2 and Romans 12:12).
  - A. This is a resolve to withstand all opposition.
    1. A persistence and insistence, like David crying over and over (cf. Ps. 119:145-147).
    2. An holy insatiableness after God, desiring still more (Ps. 63:8; Phil. 3:13,14).
    3. A resolve to rise above discouragements.
  - B. Why prayers should be with perseverance?
- IV. Praying for all saints.
  - A. Prayer for ALL militant believers (not triumphant ones).
  - B. Why should our prayers be for all saints?
  - C. What are we to pray for all saints?
  - D. Let us be more frequent and fervent in praying for all saints