

Prayer – Our Top Priority

1 Timothy 2.1-3

1. Prayer must be Prioritised, v1

- *it's of first importance!*
great value in praying together

2. Prayer must include both 'Please' and 'Thank You', v1

- *specific requests* *John 15.7;16.24*
- *special favours* *Dan 2.18-19*
- *standing up for others*
- *saying 'thank you'* *Luke 17.17*
Col 2.6-7; 1 Thess 5.18

3. Our Prayers must be Outward Looking, v1

- *for everyone = outsiders*

- God wants everyone saved v4
- Christ has died for everyone v6
catch God's heartbeat for the lost
2 Peter 3.9

- **for those who govern us**
- **for those who are prominent**
their influence
their impotence
their vulnerability
pray for your city Jer 29.7

4. Our Prayers have Purpose, vs2-3

- **an orderly and stable society**
no unrest, disturbances
- **conducive to Christian living**
religious observance
moral integrity
Acts 9.31

We get the world we pray for!
attractive to us, pleasing to God