



Ephesians 6:12-20 | SCRIPTURE

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Pray Until Something Happens | SERMON

*For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.*  
Ephesians 6:12

Principality - a class of spiritual beings mostly evil. Otherwise known as power, authority, throne, dominion, world rulers, and evil spiritual forces in the heavens.

We can't cast out principalities like we cast out demons.

The seen world is engaged in a spiritual conflict.

**Stand** - Ephesians 6:13 -14

**Suited** - Ephesians 6:14 -17

**Supplication** - Ephesians 6:18 - 20

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### **1. Prayer attacks sin, therefore, sin attacks prayer.**

*Moreover, as for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the LORD in ceasing to pray for you; but I will teach you the good and the right way. 1 Samuel 12:23*

"Prayer will make a man cease from sin, or sin will entice a man to cease from prayer." John Bunyan

"Praying and sinning will never live together in the same heart. Prayer will consume sin, or sin will choke prayer." J. C. Ryle

### **2. Prayer attacks the enemy, therefore the enemy attacks prayer.**

The devil can't stop God from answering our prayers; therefore he will seek to stop us from praying.

"Until you know that life is war, you cannot know what prayer is for." John Piper

### **3. Prayer attacks the flesh, therefore, the flesh attacks prayer.**

# NOTES



*Then He came to the disciples and found them sleeping, and said to Peter, "What! Could you not watch with Me one hour? Watch and pray, lest you enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." Matt 26:40-41*

Pray when you feel like praying; it is a sin to neglect such an opportunity. Pray when you don't feel like praying; it is dangerous to remain in such a condition.

#### **4. Prayer attacks bad circumstances, therefore, bad circumstances attack prayer.**

Prayer doesn't change God's mind but it does change things.

#### **5. Prayer attacks passivity, therefore, passivity attacks prayer.**

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*Continue earnestly in prayer, being vigilant in it with thanksgiving; Colossians 4:2*

"Prayer is earthly license for heavenly interference" Myles Monroe

"The praying church is the only thing that can affect that unseen dimension. WHEN PRAYER FAILS, INTERCESSION BEGINS." Reese Howells