

WHO GIVES A PRAYER?

Genesis 18:16-33 (Pew Bible Page 12)
1 Timothy 2:1-8 (Pew Bible Page 839)

"He doesn't have a prayer!"...Why not?

PRAYER IS A GREAT WAY TO BLESS OTHERS

"The prayers of a righteous man is powerful and effective" James 5:16

"Through the blessings of the upright a city is exalted" Proverbs 11:11

"The Priests and Levites stood to bless the people, and God heard them, for their prayer reached heaven."
2 Chronicles 30:27

Great Biblical Examples
Abraham – Genesis 18:16-33
Jesus – John 17

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PRAYER IS TO OFTEN AN UNDERUSED RESOURCE

1. Our prayers can too easily become ALL ABOUT US
2. It's easy for prayers to become only HEALTH FOCUSED
3. Praying to bless others can be HARD WORK

"I urge you, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone...this is good and pleases God our Savior, who wants all men to be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth." 1 Timothy 2:1-4

YOU CAN GIVE A PRAYER OF BLESSING...

1. By Prayer SCAPING

"I want men everywhere to...pray." 1 Timothy 2:8

* choose a place to sit and watch

* ask God to show you what He sees

2. By taking a PRAYER WALK
"...lift up your eyes where you are and look...go, walk... for I am giving it to you" Genesis 13:14,17
* praying on site with insight
* go green.....carry a trash bag!
3. By making available a PRAYER BOX
"How may I ask God to bless you?"
4. By adopting a LEADER or SERVANT
1 Timothy 2:1-2
5. By joining a community PRAYER GROUP
6. For those who are SPIRITUALLY LOST
"Brothers, my hearts desire and prayer to God for the Israelites is that they may be saved"
Romans 10:1

"Blessings can be a powerful tool of affirmation"

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Who gives a prayer for those without a prayer?