



September Sermon Series:
“LORD, MAKE MY LIFE COUNT!”

Foundation Scripture

Ephesians 5:15-17, Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity [make it count], because the days are evil. Therefore, do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is.”



QUESTION:

**What Difference Is Your Life
Making?**



Lesson One:
LORD, MAKE MY WORK COUNT!



Lesson Two:
LORD, MAKE MY REST COUNT!



Lesson Three:
**LORD, MAKE MY PRAYERS
COUNT!**

**“Prayer is the most important
conversation of your day.
Take it to God before you take
it to anyone else!”**

Scripture Lesson: Psalm 5:1-3 (NLT), O LORD, hear me as I pray; pay attention to my groaning. Listen to my cry for help, my King, and my God, for I pray to no one but you. Listen to my voice in the morning, LORD. Each morning I bring my requests to you and wait expectantly.



“It is a reading age, a preaching age, a working age, but it is not a praying age.”

Three Ways to Strengthen Your Prayer Life:

1. WHEN: Set a schedule for regular prayer times.

2. WHAT: Make a prayer list.

3. WANT: Have a right view of God.

- **PRAY EARLY**
- **PRAY OFTEN**
- **PRAY SPECIFIC**
 - **PRAY BIG**




I. PRAY EARLY



**a. Morning Prayer Sets The Tone
For Your Day.**

Psalm 5:3, 119:147



**Psalm 5:3, In the morning, O Lord,
You hear my voice; in the morning I
lay my requests before You and wait
in expectation.**




**Psalm 119:147, I rise before dawn and
cry for help; I have put my hope in
Your Word.**




**b. God's Mercies Are New
Every Morning.**

Psalm 57:7-8, Lamentations 3:22-23



Lamentations 3:22-23, “Because of the Lord’s great love we are not consumed, for His compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness.”




**Psalm 57:7-8, “My heart is steadfast,
O God, my heart is steadfast; I will
sing and make music. Awake, my
soul! Awake, harp and lyre! I will
awaken the dawn.”**



**c. Jesus Set The Example For
You.**

Mark 1:35



Mark 1:35, Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where He prayed.”




II. PRAY OFTEN



**a. Bookend Your Days With
Prayer.**

Psalm 4:4-5



Psalm 4:4-5, When you are on your beds, search your hearts and be silent. Offer right sacrifices and trust in the Lord.”



**b. Pray At Key Points Throughout
Your Day.**

Psalm 55:17



c. Learn To Pray Without Ceasing.
I Thessalonians 5:17



III. PRAY SPECIFIC



a. Pray For Specific People.
Philippians 1:4



b. Pray For Specific Needs.
Ephesians 6:18



c. Pray For Specific Outcomes.

James 4:2, 5:17-18



IV. PRAY BIG



a. We Serve A Mighty God!
Jeremiah 32:17



b. Pray In Faith Believing.

Mark 11:23; James 5:16



**“When Life Gets Too Hard
To Stand, Kneel.”**