

"Signed, Seal and Delivered" Acts 12:1-19

George Mueller has been well known for his work with orphans in England in the 1800's. He is also known for his prayer life. Once while on a boat heading to Canada the boat was engulfed in fog. When the captain came to pray with him George replied, "Captain, I have known my Lord for fifty-seven years and there has never been a single day that I have failed to gain an audience with the King. Get up, Captain and open the door, and you will find the fog is gone.' I got up, and the fog was gone. On Saturday afternoon George Mueller was in Quebec."

KEY VERSE: "but the church was earnestly praying to God for him." (Acts 12:5)

Read through all of Acts 12.

Summarize the sequence of events here in your own words.

I Need to Pray with Earnest ____

"So Peter was kept in prison, but the church was earnestly praying to God for him." (Acts 12:5)

I need to engage in ______ with God

Is my prayer life more of a dialogue or a monologue with God? Why?

Read Luke 6:12. Is this more of an encouragement or discouragement for me?

Eager _____

"And when he knocked at the door of the gateway, a servant girl named Rhoda came to answer. Recognizing Peter's voice, in her joy she did not open the gate but ran in and reported that Peter was standing at the gate. They said to her, "You are out of your mind." But she kept insisting that it was so, and they kept saying, "It is his angel!" But Peter continued knocking, and when they opened, they saw him and were amazed" Acts 12:13-16

I need to _____God's answers

How do I know if God has answered my prayer? What do I base my understanding of his answer upon?

Read Matthew 7:9-11. How does this encourage me in my prayers?

Enthusiastic _

"But motioning to them with his hand to be silent, he described to them how the Lord had brought him out of the prison. And he said, "Tell these things to James and to the brothers." Then he departed and went to another place" Acts 12:17

I need to see God's answers to me are gifts of ______ to others Read 2 Corinthians 12:8-9. Where is God's grace for Paul?

THIS WEEK:

- > Do I take the time to dialogue with God in prayer?
- > Do I miss the answers right in front of me each day?
- Who is sharing my prayer journey, and with whom can I encourage with the grace God has shown me?
- Am I in regular conversation with God asking, "Show us our way forward?'