

The Galilee Baptist Church of Kalamazoo
Summer Bible Study Series: The Post Quarantine Church
Challenge 4 - Part 1: Take Prayer to a New and Powerful Level

1. Think about the prayer ministries that took place in your church during the pandemic. Think about whether they are still present today.

2. Church history is replete with examples of the ebbs and flows of prayer

_____.

- A. Meetings
- B. Movements
- C. Monuments
- D. Milestones

3. According to Acts 1:14, discuss the priority of prayer in the early church.

4. Acts 1:14 also emphasizes the frequency of the prayer movement in the early church as Luke the author says it was _____.

- A. Sporadic
- B. Random
- C. Constant
- D. Intermittent

5. Not only was prayer important—it was also a _____ force in the church. The believers who gathered for prayer were of one heart and one mind. (Acts 2:42).

6. In Acts 2:42, if prayer was so important to the early church, then why was it mentioned last among the list of priorities?

7. The church _____ themselves to prayer. It was not a mere formality or a routine ministry.

- A. Dedicated
- B. Initiated
- C. Devoted
- D. None of the above

8. The power of the early church would not be human centered; it would be _____ directed.

- A. Corporately
- B. State
- C. Denominationally
- D. God

9. What two priorities did the leaders (apostles) of the early church have according to Acts 6:1-7?

10. What was the result of the apostles' focus on those two primary priorities?

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1. Though the Roman's intent was to facilitate the growth of the Roman Empire, the most important, albeit unintended, consequence was the propulsion of the Christian _____ throughout Europe and Asia Minor.

2. During the COVID-19 pandemic, the roadways of digital technology became a major conduit for prayer ministries to travel.

- A. True
- B. False

3. Discuss some similarities between the "Roman Road" of the first century and the "digital technology" of the twenty-first century.

4. The post-quarantine church is not moving into a time of pervasive and powerful prayer.

- A. True
- B. False

5. In the days ahead, as the initial enthusiasm gives way to the need for sustainable, long-term commitment, it will be important for churches to plan for more structured ways to _____ people to pray.

- A. Discourage
- B. Ask
- C. Compel
- D. Encourage

6. So how should churches create a framework for prayer?

7. What are the three keys to a successful prayer ministry.

8. Discuss from a negative perspective some "markers" of the COVID-19 quarantine upon the Church?

9. Discuss from a positive perspective some "markers" of the COVID-19 quarantine upon the church?

10. In the early dates of the quarantine, a number of church leaders and members worried that their _____ would drop significantly and they would have insufficient funds to support and continue ministries.

- A. Finances
- B. Membership
- C. Infrastructure
- D. Leadership

11. Will we look back on the pandemic as the beginning of a new spiritual awakening across the globe? Was the movement of prayer used by God to bring a true revival to our land?