

"Why sleep ye? Rise and pray, lest
ye enter into temptation."

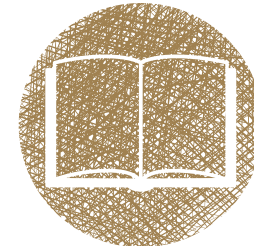
— Luke 22:46 —

WHEN is the Christian most liable to sleep? Is it not when his temporal circumstances are prosperous? Have you not found it so? When you had daily troubles to take to the throne of grace, were you not more wakeful than you are now? Easy roads make sleepy travellers. Another dangerous time is when all goes pleasantly in spiritual matters. Christian went not to sleep when lions were in the way, or when he was wading through the river, or when fighting with Apollyon, but when he had climbed half way up the Hill Difficulty, and came to a delightful arbour, he sat down, and forthwith fell asleep, to his great sorrow and loss. The enchanted ground is a place of balmy breezes, laden with fragrant odours and soft influences, all tending to lull pilgrims to sleep. Remember Bunyan's description: "Then they came to an arbour, warm, and promising much refreshing to the weary pilgrims; for it was finely wrought above head, beautified with greens, and furnished with benches and settles. It had also in it a soft couch, where the weary might lean." "The arbour was called the Slothful's Friend, and was made on purpose to allure, if it might be, some of the pilgrims to take up their rest there when weary." Depend upon it, it is in easy places that men shut their eyes and wander into the dreamy land of forgetfulness. Old Erskine wisely remarked, "I like a roaring devil better than a sleeping devil." There is no temptation half so dangerous as not being tempted. The distressed soul does not sleep; it is after we enter into peaceful confidence and full assurance that we are in danger of slumbering. The disciples fell asleep after they had seen Jesus transfigured on the mountain top. Take heed, joyous Christian, good frames are near neighbours to temptations: be as happy as you will, only be watchful.

Taken from C. H. Spurgeon's *Morning and Evening*

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BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER MEETING

"Even them will I bring to my holy
mountain, and make them joyful in my
house of prayer: their burnt offerings and
their sacrifices shall be accepted upon mine
altar; for mine house shall be called an
house of prayer for all people."

ISAIAH 56:7

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THE BIBLICAL PATTERN FOR PRAYER



"O Lord, revive thy work in the midst of the years, in the midst of the years make known; in wrath remember mercy."

Habakkuk 3:2

CHURCH MINISTRIES

Missionaries Worldwide	Music Ministry
Glen Iris Baptist School	Bus Ministry
WGIB Radio (91.9 FM)	Youth Ministry
WQEM Radio (101.5 FM)	Special Needs Ministry
WAY Television (Channel 47)	Benevolence Ministry
Website (www.gleniris.net)	AWANA Youth Program
Gospel Outreach and Visitation	Blazers for Christ Ministry
Jail Ministry	Highland Manor Ministry

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS AND WORKERS

Leah Dickey and Kathi Lamb	Nursery
Josh and Ashley Wilson	Preschool
Alan and Rebekah Franks	First-Second Grades
Nelson and Melanie Saruse	Third-Fifth Grades
Anthony and Anna Johnson	Sixth-Twelfth Grades
Brian and Robin Babin	College and Career
Don Graham	Sunday School of the Air
Gayle Waits	Ladies' Bible Class
Joy Garrison	Special Adults' Class
Paul and Donna Hancock	Primary Church
Doug and Anna Franks	Children's Church
Josh Wilson	Sunday School Superintendent

MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK

The Ashley Family

Missionaries to Puerto Rico

- Pray for the continued reconstruction project.
- Pray we would be that light set on a hill and that this will encourage others to do the same.

CHURCH FAMILY PRAYER NEEDS

Health Needs

Janet Brock	Jackie Lightfoot	Stan Waits
Robert Crocker	Gloria Randolph	Sheryl Woodward
Jerry Dickey	Wendy Swelling	Buddy York

Home/Nursing Home-Bound

Mary Sue Allen	Montez Haley	Geraldine Sizemore
Betty Duke	Bill Leon	Bette Talley
	Pearl Marcus	

COLLEGE AND CAREER

Jay Babin	Geon Lee	Savannah Saruse
Jeremiah Babin	Hyun Lee	Charisma Yeluri
Julia Layne	Win Otamias	Sara Young

SCHOOL FACULTY

Dr. Jim Boyce	Mary Beth Garrison	Jani Pickett
Jonathan Dickey	Amy Griffin	Melanie Saruse
Leah Dickey	Chris Lamb	Dale Scruggs
April Everett	Kathi Lamb	Brad Shaddix
Joy Garrison	Elise LeCroy	Grace Shaddix
	Natalie LeCroy	