

PRAYING IN THE SPIRIT

Intro. Meaning of "in". In power of and sphere of ^{governed}
Came to ch in a car. Sat in--surrounded by. Guided-seat
belt. Breathed air coming thru vents. By power of car.

I. Why pray in Spirit?

A. To grow in love of God, Jude 20. 1 command, v 21; 3 ptes
building, praying waiting.

B. To guard ag attacks of Satan, Eph 6:18. 4 alls.

1. All prayer (general) and petitions (Specific). Thorough

2. All times or occasions.

3. With all persistence. Col 4:2. Devote. Exert.

4. For all saints. Esp ones nearest, then outward.

By prayer we can guard other saints from Satan.

II. How to pray in Spirit, Rom 8:26-27.

C. To guide our prayers, Rom 8:26-27.

Why need guidance? Bec of weakness, Our entire weakness
bec we don't yet have full red (23) but esp in area of
praying. ^{ought}

Why? Bec of ignorance, 26. Don't know "what we should pray"
i.e. content of prayers. Do we know our real needs?

Needs of others? Will of God?

HS helps us.

Lk 10:40 only other. Martha asked X to ask Mary to help
her; lit. "tell her to help ^{share} me by taking hold of her end of
the task." So we are involved and HS in praying.

He does not do it apart from us. With unutterable groanings
(cf 22,23). Not tongues bec not uttered. Groanings are
intelligible to God who knows our hearts and HS prays
acc to will of God. Earl Reuter.