Quotes to Ponder

The sinew of the minister's strength under God is the supplication of his church. We can do anything and everything if we have a praying people around us. But when our dear friends & fellow helpers cease to pray the Holy Ghost hastens to depart, and Ichabod is written on the place of assembly.... What can we do without your prayers? They link us with the omnipotence of God. Like the lightning rod, they pierce the clouds and bring down the mighty and mysterious power from on high The Lord give me a dozen importunate pleaders & lovers of souls, & by His grace we will shake all London from end -to -end.

Charles Spurgeon

Instead of thinking of preaching as monologue or dialogue, we coin a new phrase that reminds us of the Spirit's presence & contribution as well: trialogue. Preaching as trialogue means the presentation of the message becomes a 3-way conversation between the preacher, the audience, & the Holy Spirit.

Greg Heisler

Too many laymen speak about the preaching event as if it were a one -way street, as if the responsibility for what transpires when the Bible is proclaimed rests solely on the shoulders of the preacher. But that's not so! Jay Adams

When the Spirit has been quenched, it is beyond our power to undo the damage we have done; we can only cry to God in penitence, asking that He will revive His work.

J. I. Packer

It is a delightful thought to a young man entering upon the ministry... that, unworthy as he is, the prayers...of God's people are continually going up, on his behalf, to his Father & their Father.... Let the thought sink deep into the heart of every church, that their minister will be very much such a minister as their prayers may make him. If nothing short of Omnipotent grace can make a Christian, nothing less than this can make a faithful & successful minister of the gospel.

Gardiner Spring

If you pray me full, I'll preach you full.



Pray Us Full April 3, 2016



1. The Negative: Confess and Avoid Sin

2. The Positive: Unrelenting Prayer

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ETHIOPIA April 6-16, 2016



Religion: Ethiopian Orthodox 43.5%

Muslim 34%

Protestant 18.5%

Traditional/Animist 2.7%

Catholic .07%

Languages: Oromo, Amharic, Somali (English is widely taught)

Size: About twice the size of Texas. The largest land-locked country

in the world.

Elevation: Addis Ababa is at 7,726 feet. Highest elevation—14,872

feet. Lowest elevation—410 ft below sea level.

Population: 101 million (Addis Ababa—around 3 million)

Subjects: Joel will be teaching Hermeneutics and Biblical Counsel-

ing. Nate will be teaching Systematic Theology 1 &~2

(Foundations of the Faith).

Schedule: April 6th—Leave Medford at 7 a.m. Travel through Seat-

tle, Frankfurt, Germany, & arrive in Addis Ababa on April

8th, 6 a.m.

April 9th—Graduatioin in DebeZeit & Nazret

April 10th—Possibly preach in local church

April 11-13th—Teach in DebreZeit (Bishoftu)

(half way between Addis Ababa & Nazret)

8:30-10:30 a.m. & 11-1 p.m.

(10:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m. & 1:00-3:00 a.m. PDT)

April 14-15th—Teach in Nazret (Adama)

8:30-10:30 a.m. & 11-1 p.m.

(10:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m. & 1:00-3:00 a.m. PDT)

April 15-16th—Leave Addis Ababa at 11:15 p.m. Travel through Frankfurt, Germany, Seattle, San Francisco, and arrive in Medford 7:39 p.m.

Prayer Requests

- That Ella Udita would arrive from India
- · Safety on flights and in-country travel
- Physical health, strength, and restful sleep
- Health and protection for our families at home
- Wisdom, boldness, discernment, sensitivity, and compassion
- Holy Spirit led teaching and ministry
- Accuracy and stamina for the translators
- God's protection and provision for the pastors as they travel
- God's blessing as the pastors apply what they learn
- Lives will be saved by the gospel throughout Ethiopia
- Local pastors will benefit from the two-year training
- Churches are strengthened and empowered to take the gospel of Jesus throughout the Horn of Africa

Nate's teaching topics

Monday—Doctrine of God, Doctrine of Sin
Tuesday—Doctrine of Jesus, Doctrines of Man and Church
Wednesday—Doctrines of Holy Spirit & Bible, Doctrine of Salvation
Thursday—Doctrine of God, Doctrine of Sin
Friday—Doctrine of Jesus, Doctrines of Man and Church

