

LUKE'S GOSPEL

INVESTIGATING THE MAN WHO IS GOD



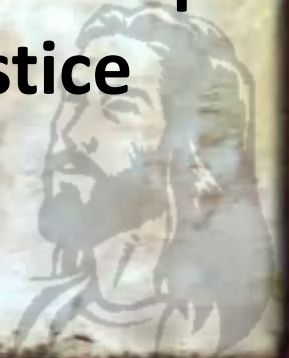
RESOLUTE

Persisting in Prayer




Luke 18:2-4a (ESV)

**He said, “In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected man.
³ And there was a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying, ‘Give me justice against my adversary.’
⁴ For a while he refused,”**



Luke 18:4-5 (ESV)

“For a while he refused, but afterward he said to himself, ‘Though I neither fear God nor respect man, ⁵ yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will give her justice, so that she will not beat me down by her continual coming.’ ”



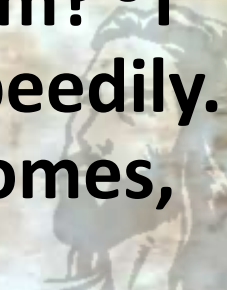
Luke 18:1 (ESV)

And he told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart.



Luke 18:6-8 (ESV)

And the Lord said, “Hear what the unrighteous judge says. ⁷ And will not God give justice to his elect, who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long over them? ⁸ I tell you, he will give justice to them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?”



Pray!



Ben Sirach 35:14-18

“He will not ignore the supplication of the fatherless, nor the widow when she pours out her story. Do not the tears of the widow run down her cheek as she cries out against him who caused them to fall?”



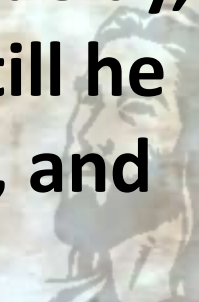
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“He whose service is pleasing to the Lord will be accepted, and his prayer will reach to the clouds. The prayer of the humble pierces the clouds, and he will not be consoled until it reaches the Lord;”



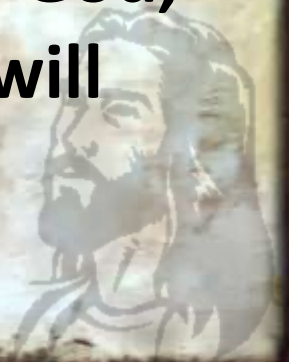
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“he will not desist until the Most High visits him and does justice for the righteous and executes judgment. The Lord will not delay, neither will he be patient with them, till he crushes the genitals of the unmerciful, and repays vengeance on the Gentiles.”



Romans 12:18-21 (ESV)

If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹ Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, “Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.”



Romans 12:18-21 (ESV)

²⁰ To the contrary, “if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head.” ²¹ Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.



Pray!

