

# 1 THESSALONIANS

**STANDING FIRM & PRESSING ON,  
UNITED TO JESUS.**

## **A Prayer of a Disciplemaker | 1 Thess. 3:11-13**

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A disciplemaker should pray for those whom they are discipling, asking God to finish the work of salvation He started.

***A disciplemaker is a spirit-empowered disciple of Jesus, who enters into intentional relationships with people to help them to trust and obey Jesus.***

**Three things that we should ask God to do in the lives of those whom we are discipling:**

### **1. A Growing Faith (3:11)**

A disciplemaker should pray for those whom they are discipling, asking God to

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*“...as we pray most earnestly night and day that we may see you face to face and supply what is lacking in your faith?” – 1 Thessalonians 3:10*

### **2. An Overflowing Love (3:12)**

A disciplemaker should pray for those whom they are discipling, asking God to

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### 3. A Purified Heart (3:13)

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#### **Why Pray if God is Sovereign?**

*God not only ordains the end of things, but He also ordains the means to those ends. Prayer is one of those means that God has ordained to use to bring about His desired ends; this is why we pray and know that our prayers are truly effective.*

#### **Questions to Consider**

1. Do your prayers for those whom you're discipling reflect Paul's prayer? If not, what needs to be changed? If yes, how might you grow more?
2. How would your own spiritual health benefit from modeling your prayer life after Paul's?
3. How could you pray more effectively for those whom you are discipling to grow in their faith?
4. When "doors" for discipleship seem to be closed, where do you turn to try and open them?
5. How should understanding that prayer is an appointment means by God for Him to bring about His ordained ends encourage us towards prayer?