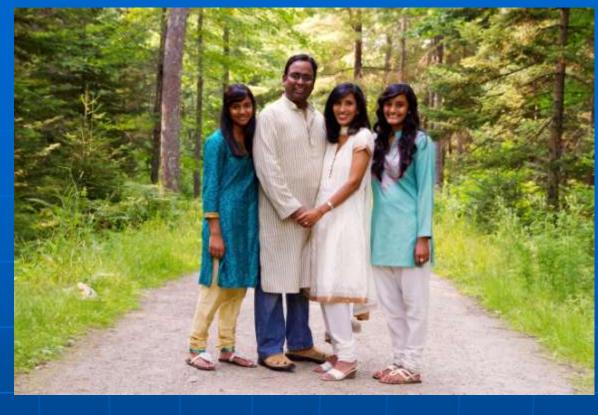


Equipped 4life2serve



Day1: <u>Fisherman</u>Work of Prayer

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The Church: *Blest to be a Blessing!*Hebrews 13:20-21

- Legalists: substituting law/s for Grace!
- Liberals: findin' freedom or true Master?



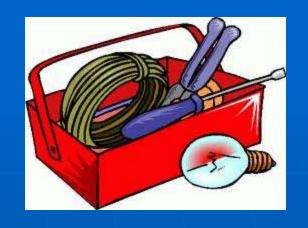
- Don't Go back, keep Going On and Out!
- Chief end: to know God, enjoy him forever!

The God of Peace, equips us with tools [equipment] to serve and to please Him!



- 1. Wonderful Shepherd intercedes equipping us
- 2. Powerful Scriptures entrusted to equip us
- 3. Faithful Servants gifted to equip saints!
- 4. Useful Suffering allowed to equip us!

Our Ministry Equipments definition, vocation correlation, ...



- 1. Work of Prayer (Fisherman: 2Cor. 13:9)
- 2. Word as Sword (Soldier: 2Tim. 3:17)
- 3. Workers with Gifts (Trainer: Eph. 4:12)
- 4. Wounds that Heal (Doctor: 1Pet. 5:10)

Equipment # 1 — Work of Prayer! When things get tough, the tough get praying! (2Cor. 13:9)

- Paul opposed, in weakness supplicates "for your maturity" (katartisis, to be complete)
- NB: prison prayers for 'spiritual' formation
- Prayer: means of grace/charis divine favor equips to endure & empowers (1Cor. 15:10)

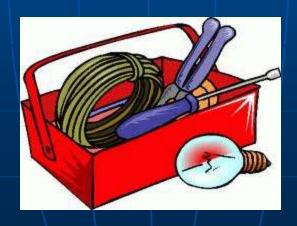
Equipment # 1 - What is Prayer?

- 1. Crying Psalm 5:2
- 2. Calling Jer. 33:3 Psa. 50:15
- 3. **Communion Matt. 14:23**



Equipment # 1 - Directional Praying?

- 1. Upward Adoration, thanksgiving
- 2. Inward Confession and Petitions
- 3. Outward Supplication / Intercession



Equipment 1 - rigging boat; repairing nets

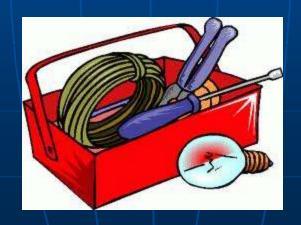
Church = ship without sails, broken nets!



- Fishermen 1st need to repair = *prepare* net
- Next 'cast' the net to catch fish (Mk.1:16-20)
- Sailor's power, the wind beneath our sails!

Equipment # 1 – Pray for one another! from Work of Prayer to > Life of Prayer!

- 1. Prayer as Care: Phil. 1:3-7 mind, mouth...
- 2. Prayer as Faith Works: James 5:15-16
- 3. Prayer as Power: Isa.40:31 waiting/waste



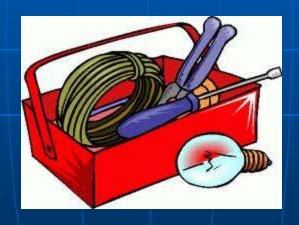
Albrecht Durer's "Praying Hands"! (15th Century, Nuremberg)



- The church / family that prayers together,stays together!
- Prayerlessness = Sinfulness (2Sam.12:23)
- When I work, I work, when I pray,... God works! Prayer IS that greater work! - CG

Equipment # 1 — Let Us Pray! (1Tim. 2:1-2)

- Jesus prays for Pete, not sifted by Satan,
 later strengthens others (Lk. 22:31; 1Pet. 5:8)
- All true disciples, 'Lord, teach us to pray!'



When U feel like, U Don't feel, Until U feel