

CHOSEN TO PRAY

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Intro:

"Pray" Gk word proseuchomai = Interactive exchange of wishes or ideas. Lk 3:21 proseuchomenou = while He was praying

My BQ Run ...The Barrier ...The Preparation ...The Prayers

...The Push ...The Correlation to my Spiritual Health

Benefits of "Interacting with God" Regarding My Life Service

Key Scriptures: Luke 3:21-23; 4:1-13

1. We are affirmed (Luke 3:22)

- A. Re: Our **Identity** "...My Son..."
- B. Re: Our **Security** "... whom I love..."
- C. Re: Our **Performance** "... I am well pleased."

2. We are prepared & empowered (Luke 3:22; Luke 4:1)

- A. Ability to **Resist**: Self Sufficiency (Lk 4:3); Illicit Gain (Lk 4:6); Spiritual Recklessness (Lk 4:9-11)
- B. Ability and Assistance to **Push** (Persevere) (Lk 22:42-43)
- C. Ability to "Know" the **Future** (Lk 4:13; Acts 22:17-18)

7 Tips to Establish & Maintain Times to "Interact with God"

- 1. Make a **firm** decision. The "What?"
- 2. Determine an **objective**. The "Why?"
- 3. **Agree** on a good time & place The "When?" & The "Where"
- 4. Start with something **doable**. The "How many/much?"
- 5. Enlist & Utilize **support**. The "Who?"
- 6. Be **Honest** w/God, BUT **submit** to His will. "Submission/Reward"
- 7. Keep notes.