

**IABC 2015 Conference:**

**Topic: *Triumphant Living in Troubled Times through Prayer***

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**Look at 3 people who live triumphantly in troubling times through prayer.**

1. **Jesus lived triumphantly in troubling times through prayer** (Isaiah 50:4; Mark 1:35-38; Luke 5:16; Luke 2:6-12; Mark 14:38)
  
2. **Daniel lived triumphantly in troubling times through prayer** (Daniel 1:8; Daniel 5:16, 17; Daniel 6:4)
  
3. **Joseph lived triumphantly in troubling times through prayer** (Genesis 37-50)

**Practical Way to Develop a Devotional Life**

1. **Make Your Devotional Life Priority #1 in Your Daily Schedule**
  - a. Set aside a block of time, preferably in the morning, to pray and read the Bible
  - b. If you will be consistent, you will begin to develop a habit and will begin to look forward to your times alone with God.
  
2. **Establish a Place to Pray**
  - c. Find a place that is special and private where you can be alone with God
  
3. **Decide What You Will Do with Your Time There**
  - d. Pray for the needs of others, read and pray over the Word of God, worship, times of fasting
  
4. **As You Grow, You Will Want to Increase the Length of Time**
  - e. Start with at least 15 minutes of Bible reading and 15 min of Prayer

**Isaiah 26:20-21**

Come, my people, enter your chambers, and shut your doors behind you; hide yourself, as it were, for a little moment until the indignation is past. For behold, the Lord comes out of His place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity; the earth will also disclose her blood, and will no more cover her slain.