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**COMPELLED...TO PRAY**  
**COMPELLED: PART 1**  
**2 Corinthians 5:14 / 1 Timothy 2:1-8**  
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*2 Corinthians 5:14-15 For Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again.*

*1 Timothy 2:1-8 I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone—for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good, and pleases God our Savior, who wants all men to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth. For there is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all men—the testimony given in its proper time. And for this purpose I was appointed a herald and an apostle—I am telling the truth, I am not lying—and a teacher of the true faith to the Gentiles. I want men everywhere to lift up holy hands in prayer, without anger or disputing.*

1. The priority of prayer. 1 Tim 2:1 (NLT)

Prayer is not our last resort!

Without prayer, we get what we can do.

With prayer, we get what God can do.

2. The people we pray for. 1 Tim 2:1-2 (NLT)

Prayer can change any heart!

3. The purpose of our prayers. 1 Tim 2:3-7 (NLT)

The primary reason we pray is salvation of the world!

4. The purity of our prayers. 1 Tim 2:8

The power of our prayers is tied to the posture of our lives!

Are you praying for the salvation of those far from God?