- I. As we pray the Holy Spirit helps us
 - A. The Spirit helps us in our weakness
 - B. The Spirit prays for us with <u>heartfelt groans</u>
 - C. The Spirit prays according to God's will
- II. As we pray we have confidence in God
 - A. We are confident God is working out his purposes
 - B. We are confident God is working for our good
 - C. We are confident God is transforming us to be like Jesus

"And we, who with unveiled faces all reflect the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his likeness with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit." (2 Corinthians 3:18)

- III. As we pray we know that God is for us
 - A. We cannot be defeated by any person or power

"You dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world." (I John 4:4)

B. We can expect God to provide what we need

"Any my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:19)

C. We cannot be accused because we are forgiven

"There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus." (Romans 8:1)

- IV. As we pray we know that Jesus helps us
 - A. Jesus died for us and rose again
 - B. Jesus was exalted to the highest place
 - C. Jesus prays for us from the place of authority

"Therefore he is able to save completely those who come to God through him, because he always lives to intercede for them." (Hebrews 7:25)

- V. As we pray we are assured by the love of God
 - A. We cannot be separated from God's love by any <u>earthly threat</u>

- B. We cannot be separated from God's love by any <u>spiritual power</u>
- VI. As we pray we pray from a place of overwhelming victory
 - A. On the cross Christ won the <u>ultimate victory</u>

"And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross." (Colossians 2:15)

B. By faith we share in Christ's victory

"For everyone born of God overcomes the world. This the victory that has overcome the world." (I John 5:4)

C. In Christ we are super conquerors

"But thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumphal procession in Christ and through us spreads everywhere the fragrance of the knowledge of him." (2 Corinthians 2:14)