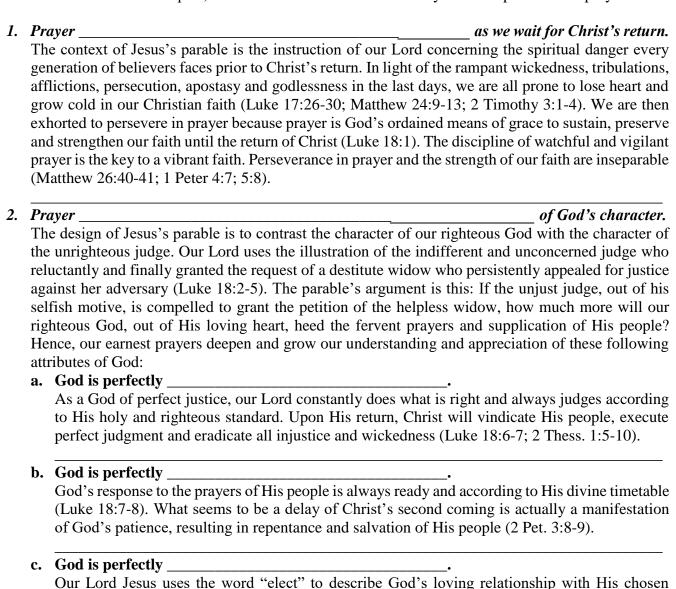
## PERSEVERE IN PRAYER

(Luke 18:1-8)

Do you find it difficult to persevere in prayer? Persisting in prayer is a common struggle among the people of God. Scripture is replete with records of believers striving to be steadfast in prayer (Habakkuk 1:2; Psalm 69:1-3,17,20). Despite the struggle, God calls us to persevere in prayer so that we may endure in our faith until the return of Christ. The Lord commands us to pray without ceasing, be faithful in prayer, be watchful with all perseverance and supplication and to continue earnestly in prayer (1 Thess. 5:17; Romans 12:12; Ephesians 6:18; Colossians 4:2). Reflecting from a parable about prayer taught by our Lord Jesus to His disciples, let's consider two vital reasons why we must persevere in prayer.



people (Luke 18:7). Our loving God delights in listening to the prayers of His precious people who persevere in prayer and eagerly wait for Christ's return (Ephesians 1:4; 1 Peter 2:9-10; Hebrews 4:16; 10:19; 1 John 2:1; Proverbs 15:29; Psalm 1-3,6; Luke 18:8; Revelation 22:20).