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This quote is attributed to Martin Luther: "To be a Christian without prayer is no more possible than to be alive without breathing." Prayer is one of the essentials in the life of a Christian. I treasure my time in God's awesome presence.

The reason I pray in the morning and throughout the day is to have communion and sweet fellowship with the Savior of my soul. Worship is a vital part of my prayer time. I know that I am renewed each day in my inner man as I spend that time with him.

At some point during that time, I will also sing a prayer to Him. Most often it is this particular song. I sang it on my very first record in 1975.

*Like the woman at the well,  
I was seeking  
For things that could not satisfy,  
And then I heard my Savior speaking,  
Draw from my well  
that never shall run dry.  
Fill my cup Lord, I lift it up Lord,  
Come and quench  
this thirsting of my soul,  
Bread of heaven,  
feed me 'til I want no more,  
Here's my cup, fill it up  
and make me whole.*

I read that most English speaking people know "ASAP" to mean "as soon as possible." But as a born-again Christian, "ASAP" can mean, "and sing a prayer!"

I recorded another song in 1977 that I also sing as a prayer regularly during my devotion, as well as other times. The title is "Lord, Make Me a Vessel."

Perhaps the writer, Danny Lee, was given the song as he read Jeremiah 18, for it speaks about the potter and the clay...

*Lord, make me a vessel  
Please flow out through me  
Make my life what you want it to be  
And give me your power today  
You are the potter and I am the clay  
Lord, make me your vessel I pray.*

I Thessalonians instructs us to pray without ceasing. I try to make it a habit. There always seems to be a need to pray for people. For example, when I am driving and I hear a siren, I begin to pray for those involved in that emergency, then prayer, as a song, goes forth to God, such as ...*peace, peace wonderful peace, coming down from the Father above/sweep over their spirit forever I pray, in fathomless billows of love.*

Prayer should always be our first response, rather than our last resort. Zephaniah 3:17 reads that God is rejoicing over us with gladness and singing. I have wondered what kind of beautiful voice He has! Wow!

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