

“When we pray...”

“Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples.”

Luke 11:1

I. What is prayer?

a. Communication with God (Mark 1:35; Psalm 119:147)

Mark 1:35 “Now in the morning, having risen a long while before daylight, He went out and departed to a solitary place; and there He prayed.”

Genesis 20:17 “So Abraham prayed to God; and God healed Abimelech, his wife, and his female servants. Then they bore children”

Numbers 11:2 “Then the people cried out to Moses, and when Moses prayed to the Lord, the fire was quenched.”

“if My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.” (2 Chronicles 7:14)

b. Intercession for others (Genesis 18:16-32)

II. Why Pray?

- a. Worship (Genesis 24:26; 24:52; Exodus 12:27; Exodus 34:14)
- b. Confession (Proverbs 28:13; Daniel 9:20)
- c. Petition (Esther 4:16; Matthew 7:7; James 5:16)
- d. Intercession (John 17; Romans 8:28)
- e. Thanksgiving (Philippians 4:6-8; Psalm 100:4; Psalm 107:22)

III. How To Pray (Matthew 6:9-13)

a. Jesus model for prayer

1. Acknowledge Who He is (Video “That’s My King)
2. Honor His Holy Name
3. Declare His Kingdom
4. Intercession for substance and supply
5. Acknowledgement of need of forgiveness, and help to forgive others
6. Petition for help and strength against the evil one
7. Acknowledgment of His Sovereign Power and Authority, forever.

b. The condition of forgiveness (Matthew 6:14-15; 1 John 1:8-10)

Conclusion – “that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the Scripture says, “Whoever believes on Him will not be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek, for the same Lord over all is rich to all who call upon Him. For “whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved.” Romans 10:9-13