Learn to Pray Always

Prayer is having a discussion with God about everything that you think of. If you completely depend on Him, you will **ask** and **tell** and **thank** Him every moment of the day.

Prayer is the direct link to the throne of God

Prayer can be Worship to God

God is with you living in you through His Holy Spirit. You can approach God through prayer at any time. You may worship God when you <u>adore</u>, <u>confess</u>, <u>praise</u>, or <u>supplicate</u> in prayer. Prayer comes from a heart that is in covenant relationship (saved) with God. Through prayer you may enter in all the privileges and obligations of this relationship with God.

How should I Pray?

This question was also asked by the disciples and Jesus than taught them a model prayer (Mat 6:9-13). Through the parables He taught them to have perseverance, in humility and penitance (Luke 18:10-14), in a forgiving spirit, (Mat 6:14) in simplicity (Mk 12:40), expectant (Mk 11:24), in surrender (Mk 9:23). You should pray always (Eph 6:18) morning, noon and night (Ps 55:17) without ceasing [giving up] (1 Thess 5:17) in boldness before the throne of grace (Heb 4:16), but in secret.

Why are Prayers Hindered or Accepted?

Prayers could be unheard because of sin (Is 59:2) or unbelief [no faith] (Heb 11:6), doubt [wavering] (Jam 1:6,7), unforgiving heart (Mk 11:25,26) and selfish motives (Jam 4:3).

But if you obey His commandments (1 John 3:22) and ask according to His will (5:14,15) with a righteous heart (Jam 5:16) delighting in Him (Ps 37:4,5) then you will have what you ask.

DECIDE TO PRAY EACH DAY!

- 1. Decide on a time and place
- 2. Make a list of people & things [circumstances] to pray for.
- 3. Pray in the Name of Jesus prayers He would approve of.
- 4. Speak to God throughout the day while you work or walk.

Note: For Worship see page 6 of volume 3.

REMEMBER

- **A** doration
- C onfession
- T hanksgiving
- **S** upplication

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repeated without understanding would be vain repetition. (Matt 6:9)

Parable = a story to illustrate a principle. **Penitence** = feeling regret for you sins

In secret – prayer is personal, a serious intimate talk to God who knows the honesty of the heart – it is not an outward false show.

Selfishness – the root cause of original sin

Commandments = Jesus taught about a deeper law of the heart that is in tune with God. See Matthew 5, 6 and 7

Make a diary to record your requests in prayer. Note how they are answered and on which date.

Intercession = is to pray for other people.

Memorize: And whatsoever we ask, we receive of Him, because we keep His commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in His sight. (1John 3:22)

Pray: Thank you Father, that I may pray in the Name of Jesus.

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