

Teach us to pray – 4

**Luke 11:1**

1 Now it came to pass, as He was praying in a certain place, when He ceased, that one of His disciples said to Him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples." NKJV

- They didn't ask Him to teach them how to evangelize or heal the sick but they asked Him to teach them to pray
- The disciples must have seen something different in the way He prayed

Pray in everything

**No Slide: 1 Thessalonians 5:17-18**

17 pray without ceasing, 18 **in everything** give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. NKJV

Pray Always

**No Slide: Luke 21:36**

36 Watch therefore, and **pray always**. NKJV

- Pray always – Make request and REST
- Prayer without rest is not prayer at all

Pray Everywhere

**No Slide: 1 Timothy 2:8**

8 I desire therefore that the men **pray everywhere**, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting; NKJV

### Luke 11:2-4

2 So He said to them, "When you pray, say:

Our Father in heaven,

Hallowed be Your name.

Your kingdom come.

Your will be done

On earth as it is in heaven.

3 Give us day by day our daily bread.

4 And forgive us our sins,

For we also forgive everyone who is indebted to us.

And do not lead us into temptation,

But deliver us from the evil one." NKJV

### Last Week

The Kingdom is not something that only the strong receive.

It's not somewhere we arrive.

In fact, just the opposite is true. Our battle is to keep ourselves humble (childlike) while living life, expecting the impossible to manifest at every turn.

The Kingdom is never something we earn through education and preparation.

### Backing up

#### Luke 12:22-32

- Worry will steal the Kingdom
- Working for the Kingdom will not bring the Kingdom
- There is nothing that you possess that you did not receive
- The Father is the giver of gifts
- He gives us godliness and life – 2 Peter 1:3

Give us day by day our daily bread

### Matthew 7:7-11

7 "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. 8 For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened. 9 Or what man is there among you who, if his son asks for bread, will give him a stone? 10 Or if he asks for a fish, will he give him a serpent? 11 If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask Him! NKJV

- Ask and you will receive
- Seek the Kingdom
- Knock – don't quit – Luke 18:1-8 Persistent widow
  - Use your faith – God is good

### Ask Daily

### Exodus 16:4-5

4 Then the LORD said to Moses, "Behold, I will rain bread from heaven for you. And the people shall go out and gather a certain quota every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in My law or not. 5 And it shall be on the sixth day that they shall prepare what they bring in, and it shall be twice as much as they gather daily." NKJV

Ask in faith

**John 16:23-24**

23 "And in that day you will ask Me nothing. Most assuredly, I say to you, whatever you ask the Father in My name He will give you. 24 Until now you have asked nothing in My name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full. NKJV

**James 1:16-18**

16 Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren. 17 Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning. 18 Of His own will He brought us forth by the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of His creatures. NKJV

- God doesn't change His mind
- Ask according to His will – **1 John 5:14**
- According to the Word – **John 15**

How to pray

**Ephesians 1:16-19**

16 do not cease to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers: 17 that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him, 18 the eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that you may know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, 19 and what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power. NKJV

Pray for God's presence

**Acts 11:21**

21 And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number believed and turned to the Lord. NKJV

**2 Corinthians 3:5-6**

5 Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think of anything as being from ourselves, but our sufficiency is from God, 6 who also made us sufficient as ministers of the new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life. NKJV

Pray for God's favor and blessing

**Psalms 5:12**

12 For You, O LORD, will bless the righteous;  
With favor You will surround him as with a shield. NKJV

**Genesis 12:2**

2 I will make you a great nation;  
I will bless you and make your name great;  
And you shall be a blessing. NKJV

**Matthew 7:11**

11 If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask Him! NKJV

Pray for protection

1 Peter 5:8

8 Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. NKJV

Psalm 3:1-3

1 LORD, how they have increased who trouble me!  
Many are they who rise up against me.

2 Many are they who say of me, "There is no help for him in God." 3 But You, O LORD, are a shield for me,  
My glory and the One who lifts up my head. NKJV

What do we pray for?

1 Timothy 2:1-4

1 Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, 2 for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence. 3 For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, 4 who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. NKJV

- Pray for yourself – ask Holy Spirit to examine you
- Pray for your family and friends
- Pray for your spiritual leaders
- Pray for political leaders/bosses
- Pray for lost people - city, region, and nation
- Pray for whoever God puts on your heart!

Next: Forgive us our sins

Forgiveness – A decision to release a debt

## Types of Prayer:

### Adoration

*Worshiping God for who He is*

### Petition

*Asking God for what He has promised*

### Confession

*Receiving forgiveness/extending forgiveness based upon what Christ has done*

### Direction

*Seeking God's leading and protection*

### Prayer of Faith

*Believe that you receive*

### Prayer of Agreement

*Two or more agree*

### Prayer of Binding and losing

*Taking authority over powers and principalities*

### Prayer of Intercession

*On behalf of someone or something*

### Prayer of Committal

*Cast your cares*

### Prayer of Dedication

*Not my, but your will*

### Prayers of thanksgiving

*Praise and worship*

### Praying for the Church

**“Beware in your prayers, above everything else, of limiting God, not only by unbelief, but by fancying that you know what He can do. Expect unexpected things ‘above all that we ask or think.’” - Andrew Murray**