

# PRAYER

## I. WHAT PRAYER IS:

### A. **PRAYER IS COMMUNICATION WITH GOD.**

### B. Prayer produces intimacy --

To whom you pray,  
For whom you pray,  
With whom you pray.

### C. Prayer is NOT:

1. It is not trying to get God's attention.
2. It is not trying to get God to change His mind.
3. It is not trying to get God to do something.

D. Psa 5:2; Psa. 65:1-2; Prov. 15:29; Luke 18:1

E. Our struggle is not with God (Eph. 6:12).

## II. HOW TO PRAY:

### A. In the Name of Jesus.

1. John 16:22-26 (vs 26) At that day ye shall ask in My name: and I say not unto you, that I will pray the Father for you:

### B. According to the Word of God.

1. John 15:7 If ye abide in Me, and My Words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.
2. II Pet. 1:2-4

### C. By the Holy Ghost.

1. Rom. 8:26-27 (vs 26) ...for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh

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intercession for us....

D. With faith.

1. James 1:6-8
2. Mark 11:22-24 (vs 24) ... What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them,...

E. Example of how to pray.

1. Matt. 6:9-13 (The Lord's Prayer)

### III. TYPES OF PRAYER:

A. Prayer of Agreement.

1. Matt. 18:19-20

B. Prayer of Petition and Supplication.

1. Phil. 4:6
2. I Tim. 2:1

C. Prayer of Intercession.

1. I Tim. 2:1
2. Rom 8:26
3. Col. 2:1

D. Prayer of Thanksgiving.

1. Phil. 4:6
2. I Tim. 2:1
3. Psa. 100:4

E. Prayer of Worship.

1. John 4:23-24
2. Eph. 5:18-20
3. Acts 13:1-2

F. Prayer of Dedication (hallow to God, renew).

1. Dedication is the only prayer if can be used, but not in unbelief.
2. Dedication or rededication will not get rid of sin. Sin must

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be

confessed. Never offer dedication under condemnation.

a. I John 1:9-10, 2:1-2

### IV. FORMS OR POSITIONS OF PRAYING:

A. Jesus prayed standing, sitting, lying on His face, and looking into heaven.

B. Paul bowed his knees.

C. They received the Holy Ghost while sitting (Acts 2:2).

D. Jesus said when you stand praying (Mark 11:25).

### V. HINDRANCES TO PRAYER:

A. Unforgiveness. (Mark 11:25).

B. Complaining. (Num. 11:1).

C. Unbelief. (Hebrews chapter 4).

D. Strife. (I Pet. 3:7-12).

### VI. CONCLUSION:

A. Prayer is communicating with God.

B. We should always pray. Don't quit praying.  
(Luke 18:1; I Thess. 5:17)

C. Prayer is your source of strength.  
(Eph. 6:10).

D. Prayer will sustain you in time of temptation.  
(Luke 22:40).

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