



How do we Pray? “The Lord’s Prayer” Series

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Introduction

In this message we learn how to pray: with principles and practices that align with God and his Word.

The Text: Various

1) Our prayer life should be guided by five biblical principles:

a) Pray to the Father.

b) Pray through the Son.

c) Pray in the Spirit.

d) Pray with God’s Word.

e) Pray from your position as a child of God.

2) Our prayer life can be supported by five habitual practices:

a) Admit that prayer is a duty and a discipline.

b) Think of prayer less as “asking” and more as “walking.”

c) Set aside time regularly to pray.

d) Prayer should be a balanced diet in dimensions and directions.

- “ACTS:” Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, & Supplication.
- “3 Directions:” Upward (Praise), Inward (Personal), & Outward (Petition).

e) Establish a manageable strategy for prayer.

Response

How do we Pray? We pray in relation and response to God and his Word.

Sunday Text Questions for “How do we Pray?” (Lord’s Prayer Series)

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- 1) Starter Question: How do you pray? Be honest.
- 2) Why would Jesus in the Lord’s Prayer teach us to pray to “the Father?”
- 3) Why might it be good and true to pray “in Jesus name?”
- 4) Read Romans 8:26-27. What does it look like to “pray in the Spirit?”
- 5) If prayer is “in response to the knowledge of God,” how might we pray with or alongside God’s Word?
- 6) Why do so many Christians find prayer difficult to do regularly, and how can that be helped?
- 7) Why are so many Christian uncomfortable praying aloud with others, and how can that be helped?
- 8) What would your strategy be if you were to set aside regular time for Word and Prayer?
- 9) What strategy for Word and Prayer do you think would help your devotional life?
- 10) What are the biggest hurdles to your prayer life, and what would help you overcome them?

Further study this week: Key biblical texts to meditate upon for Word and Prayer – all in the Book of Psalms: Psalm 103 (Mon); Psalm 1 (Tues); Psalm 2 (Wed); Psalm 4 (Thurs); Psalm 102 (Fri).



Sometimes we don't know what is best.



Solve the math problems and match the answers with the words in the question marks.

1 DO

2 SHOULD

3 KNOW

4 FOR

5 WHAT

6 NOT

7 PRAY

8 WE

- $4 + 4$
- $3 - 2$
- $3 + 3$
- $4 - 1$
- $10 - 5$
- $5 + 3$
- $4 - 2$
- $5 + 2$
- $2 + 2$

God's Spirit helps us to pray.



Write the letter missing in each word to find how the Spirit helps us.

- mix together C O M B N E
- huge house M A S I O N
- one fourth Q U A R E R
- male sibling B R O T H R
- held tightly G A S P E D
- 2-wheeler B I Y C L E
- trust B E L I V E
- flat sticks P A D L E S
- church top S T E P L E
- bugs I N E C T S

