
Communication 101
"Let This Then Be Your Prayer"
Matthew 6:9

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Prayer is, at its very basic form, communicating with God. Simply talking to Him. Unfortunately, we human beings do not do communication well. Even in our most intimate of relationship – marriage – we struggle with communicating with our spouse...we have to learn how to effectively communicate...so it is with our relationship with God...we have to learn how to talk to Him and how to listen to Him...thankfully Jesus Himself gave us the key to that communication in Matthew 6:5-15.

1. Proper Focus: v. 5-8

2. Worship: v. 9

3. Surrender: v. 10

4. Humility and Gratitude: v. 11

5. Confession: v. 12

6. Trust: v. 13

7. Listening and Obedience: v. 14-15

Communication with God is personal...individual and it takes work. Prayer does not come naturally to us...it is a discipline we need to develop through repeated practice...and it all begins with our attitude. WE need to focus on God Himself in true worship. We need to listen to Him through the voice of His Spirit and His Holy Word...and humbly submit ourselves to Him in heartfelt obedience, confessing our need for Him to cleanse us from our sinful rebellion - trusting in His promises. And we need a heart of gratitude for His meeting our needs both physically and spiritually.

The great part of this is that God will not reject us as we learn to talk with Him...He is patient with us...and even when we don't have the words...His indwelling Holy Spirit will translate our stumbling words and sometimes our simple groanings for us. God actively seeks to have this intimate close relationship with each and every person who comes to Him in trust and faith through Jesus...Are you willing to enter into that life transforming relationship...God is eagerly waiting for you if you are.