

For further study Read Luke 11.5-13

How does this help us understand prayer?

Answer:

How should we approach God if we have a need?

Answer:

Why will God answer your prayers?

Answer:

Why is verse 13 the key to understanding our place in God's plan to answer our prayers?

Answer:



FACE TIME WITH GOD I OF 5

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What you will need to complete this lesson:

- * A Bible (A New International Version is a good choice if you need to get a Bible) These are also available online if you do not have one.
- * Paper with pen or pencil to write your answers
- * A quiet place to work where you are not distracted.

Jesus teaches his disciples about PRAYER

Luke 11.1-4 (see also Matthew 6.9-15)

^[1] One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples."

^[2] He said to them, **"When you pray, say:**

**"Father,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come.**

^[3] **Give us each day our daily bread.**

^[4] **Forgive us our sins,
for we also forgive everyone who sins against us.
And lead us not into temptation. "**

Jesus understood the need and purpose of prayer. When his disciples approached him and asked to be taught how to pray. He was very careful that he taught them how to pray not just words to repeat. Many only quote this prayer without understanding the meaning behind each part. This is a model prayer. It shows you the key elements of prayer. There are seven elements to this prayer that will help us as we approach God. If a person spends a lifetime studying prayer they would only scratch the surface. This prayer is where to start that study.

1. Father

- ◆ Galatians 4.6 (Why do we call God father?)

- ◆ 1 Peter 1.23 (How did this happen?)

- ◆ Hebrews 12.5-7 (What do we need to know about God as our Father)

- ◆ 1 Peter 1.17 (How does God evaluate our lives, Why?)

- ◆ 1 John 2.29-3.3 (If God is our father how should we view our relationship with Him? What are the results of this relationship?)

⇒ Why is it important for the believer to know they can approach God as they would a father?

Answer:

2. hallowed be your name

- ◆ 2 Chronicles 7.14 (Who can pray in the name of the Lord, why?)

- ◆ Acts 4.12 (Why is the name of Jesus so important)

- ◆ Exodus 20.7 (How serious is God about protecting his name?)

- ◆ 1 Corinthians 6.11 (What three actions can we

Jesus teaches his disciples the right attitude for prayer

Matthew 6.5

^[5] “And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by men. I tell you the truth, they have received their reward in full. ^[6] But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. ^[7] And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their many words. ^[8] Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

Three Key Attitudes for Successful Praying

1. When you Pray— You should not _____
You should _____
2. When you Pray—You should not _____
You should _____
3. When you Pray—You should not _____
You should _____

⇒ Why does Jesus warn us about the attitude we have when we pray? What would our attitudes have to do with getting our prayers answered?

Answer:

- ◆ Luke 16.1-9 (How does this help us understand forgiveness? How is it both wise and shrewd for a Christian to forgive other Christians? To forgive non-believers?)
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⇒ Why does the believer need to forgive those who have sinned against them?

Answer:

7. And lead us not into temptation

- ◆ Luke 22.39-45 (What does prayer have to do with temptation? Why do you think prayer helps keep us from being tempted?)

- ◆ 2 Thessalonians 3.3 (How would prayer help strengthen us against the evil one?)

- ◆ 1 John 5.16 (How can we pray for someone else's removal of sin or avoiding temptation?)

⇒ Why is avoiding temptation better for the believer than repenting of sins committed?

Answer:

clearly attribute to the name of the Lord? Why is each one important to the believer?)

⇒ Why is showing respect to the name of God so important to the believer?

Answer:

3. your kingdom come

- ◆ Romans 14.17 (What facts do we learn about the kingdom here?)

- ◆ 1 Corinthians 6.9-11 (What limits are there on those who can be part of God's Kingdom? What three actions make it possible for a person to be ready for the Kingdom?)

- ◆ 1 Corinthians 15.50 & John 18.36 (What truth do we learn about the kingdom here?)

- ◆ Hebrews 12.28 (How does the kingdom effect our prayers and our worship? Why?)

⇒ How will praying for the kingdom and will of God affect the life of the believer?

Answer:

4. Give us each day our daily bread

- ◆ Matthew 6.28-34 (How does God deal with our daily needs? How are these different from our wants?)

- ◆ 2 Corinthians 9.8 (Why does God provide all that we need?)

- ◆ James 5.14 & 2 Corinthians 12.7-10 (How is healing a need? Does God heal everyone? Explain your answer.)

- ◆ 2 Corinthians 9.10-11 (How does God take care of different peoples needs? Why does he do this?)

- ◆ Philippians 4.6-7 (What does our attitude have to do with prayer? How should we approach God when we have a need? Why do we need God to guard our hearts and minds when we are making "request" to God?)

⇒ What needs should you pray for each day?

Answer:

5. Forgive us our sins

- ◆ Matthew 3.6 (Why does a person need to be forgiven when they sin?)

- ◆ Acts 10..43 (Why is Jesus the key to the

forgiveness of our sins?)

- ◆ Hebrews 9.27-28 (Why do we need to be forgiven, and how is forgiveness possible?)

- ◆ 2 Peter 3.7 (What will be the final outcome of those who have not received God's forgiveness?)

⇒ Why would a believer need to be on guard about sinning, and why would they need to pray for forgiveness?

Answer:

6. for we also forgive everyone who sins against us

- ◆ Matthew 6.14-15 (How is our forgiving others part of our own forgiveness?)

- ◆ Ephesians 4.32 (What should our attitude be when we forgive someone else? Why is this important to our relationship with God?)

- ◆ Colossians 3.13 (Why is forgiveness like this necessary for a healthy Christian fellowship?)

- ◆ Matthew 18.23-35 (How far in debt to the master was the servant with the master? Why was the servant not able to forgive his fellow servant? Why is it important to forgive from the heart?)
