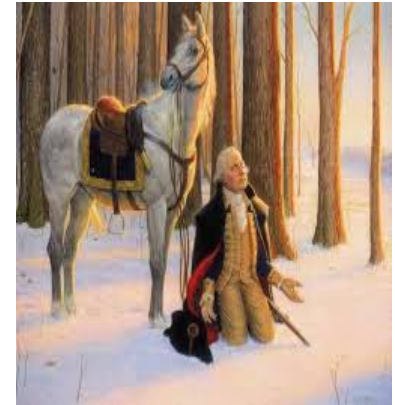




Prayer



RECOGNIZE WE HAVE A PROBLEM
KNOW WE ARE NOT ALONE
LEARN THE FOUNDATIONS OF PRAYER
STRIVE TO GROW CLOSER TO GOD THROUGH DEEPER
MORE SINCERE PRAYERS

WHEN YOU CANNOT
SLEEP AT NIGHT,
HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT
MAYBE IT'S GOD SAYING
"WE NEED TO TALK AND
YOU NOW HAVE TIME."

Why do we pray:

- We are admonished (told) to pray:
 - 1Thes. 5:17 “Pray without ceasing...”
 - 1Tim. 2:1-8 “First of all, then, I urge that entreaties and prayers, petitions and thanksgivings, be made on behalf of all men.....”
 - 1 Tim. 2: 8 “I want the men in every place to pray...”
 - James 5:16 “... the effectual (producing or with great effect/ mighty/ powerful/efficient) fervent (Hot, Intensity of feeling) prayer of a righteous man availeth much.”
- It is obvious we as Christians are admonished to PRAY w/o ceasing for all needs and blessings of all of mankind, and we are to strive to be effectual and fervent.

What is Prayer?



pray \ 'prā\ *verb*

- entreat, implore—often used as a function word in introducing a question, request, or plea *⟨pray be careful⟩*
- to make a request in a **humble** manner
- to address God or a god with **adoration, confession, supplication, or thanksgiving**

prayer \ 'prer\ *noun*

- **an address (as a petition) to God or a god in word or thought**
- a set order of words used in praying

- KINDS OF PRAYER
- PARTS OF A PRAYER
- PERSONAL REQUIREMENTS OF PRAYER
- GENERAL REQUIREMENTS OF PRAYER
- PRAYERS REFUSED



Kinds of Prayer

- Secret Matt. 6:6
- Family Acts 10:2,30
- Group Matt. 18:19-20
- Public 1 Cor. 14:14-17



Parts of Prayer

- Adoration Dan. 4:34-35
- Confession I John 1:9
- Supplication I Tim. 2:1-3
- Intercession James 5:15, 2 Peter 3:9
- Thanksgiving Phil. 4:6



Personal Requirements of Prayer

- Purity of heart Psalm 66:18-19
- Belief Matt. 21:22
- In Christ's name John 14:13
- According to God's will 1st John 5:14



General Requirements of Prayer

- Forgiving spirit Matt. 6:14
- Simplicity Matt. 6:5-6
- Humility & Repentance Luke 18:10-14
- Unity of believers Matt. 18:19-20
- Tenacity Luke 18:1-8
- Intensity Matt. 7:7-11
- Confidence Mark 11:24
- Without many words Matt. 6:7
- Unceasingly I Thess. 5:17



Prayers Refused, because of...

- Sin Psalm 66:18
- Selfishness James 4:3
- Doubt James 1:5-7
- Disobedience Prov. 28:9
- Inhumanity Prov. 21:13
- Pride Luke 18:11, 12, 14



It all comes down to SIN.. It Separates you from GOD...

HOW IS YOUR PRAYER LIFE?

HOW ARE YOU GOING TO CHANGE YOUR PRAYER
LIFE?