

BECOMING PRAYERFUL: LORD, TEACH US TO PRAY

Luke 11:1-4, Matthew 6:9-13

What is Prayer?

Prayer is our approach to God in communication by way of talking and listening to Him.

Prayer is opening our hearts focusing on God on an intention, on a desire, or on a resolution of a situation.

Prayer is seeking answers or simply seeking to be at one with God.

How should we pray?

First, be aware of your relationship with God as seen in Matthew 6:9...
“Our Father who is in heaven.”

Second, acknowledge the honor of God’s name as seen in Matthew 6:9...
“Hallowed be Thy name.” Hallowed means regarded with particular reverence and respect.

Third, submit to the authority (rule) and to the will of God as seen in Matthew 6:10... “Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done.”

Fourth, ask God to meet our daily provisions and necessities as seen in Matthew 6:11... “Give us this day our daily bread.”

Fifth, confess your offenses (sins) with God and reconcile resentment with your fellow man as seen in Matthew 6:12... “Forgive us our debts as we have forgiven our debtors.”

Sixth, affirm the qualities belonging to God as seen in Matthew 6:13...
“For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.”