

Unexpected – How Should I Pray? 4.7.2019

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Memory Verse: Luke 11:2-4

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.”

In today’s message, Pastor Steve spoke about Prayer. Let’s GoDeeper and examine a few prayers from the Bible. What more can we learn about how to pray?

Reverent Prayer (Psalm 5)

- Do you have a deep respect for God?
- How do you show Him respect and reverence?
 - Verse 7 says “I will worship at your Temple with deepest awe”
 - Do you worship with deepest awe?
 - Do you come to Him in awe?
- In what way(s) does this prayer show respect?

Hannah’s Prayer (1 Samuel 1:10-16 NLT)

It is ok to express our frustration, anger, and heartache. Although it is ok to be honest, we must always be respectful to God. Speak openly and honestly when praying.

- How can you express your feelings without being disrespectful?
- Do you pray openly and honestly?
- How do you feel after you have poured your heart out to God?
- Is there something you have been avoiding bringing to God because you are afraid of expressing anger or frustration?

Shameless Audacity (Luke 11:1-13 NIV)

When you pray you should pray with your whole heart and your prayers should be unrelenting. Fervent Prayer moves God. It is important to be consistent in our prayer time. Jesus prioritized prayer. Shouldn’t we? Read Mark 1:35 and Matthew 14:22-23 these are just a couple times Jesus went away alone to pray.

- How much time do you spend in prayer daily?
- When do you pray?
- What helps you stay focused when you pray?
- If God knows what we will pray for before we pray, why then does God want us to pray?

6 Prayers God Always Answers “Yes”

- Glorify Yourself through Me
- Forgive Me
- Reveal More of Yourself to Me.
- Give me Wisdom.
- Strengthen Me to Obey You.
- Send Me (to Make You Known & Make Disciples)

Putting into Practice

Read the memory verse daily this week, while you do, think about your prayer life.

In light of the message on Sunday and this GoDeeper discussion guide... Evaluate your Prayer Life. What will you change about the way you pray?