



DEVOTE YOURSELVES TO PRAYER

Acts 2:42—47

Matthew 6:5—13

Sermon 9 of 12

FUNDAMENTALS OF THE FAITH
If Jesus is Lord & Messiah what should we do?



ACTS

2:41—42

41 Those who accepted his message were baptised, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.

42 They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.



ACTS

1:14

They all joined together
constantly in prayer, along
with the women and Mary
the mother of Jesus, and
with his brothers.



ACTS

3:1

One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the time of prayer – at three in the afternoon.



ACTS 4:24

When they heard this, they raised their voices **together** in prayer to God.

'Sovereign Lord,' they said, 'you made the heavens and the earth and the sea, and everything in them.'



ACTS

12:5

So Peter was kept in prison, but the church was earnestly praying to God for him.



ACTS 16:13

On the Sabbath we went outside the city gate to the river, where we expected to find a place of prayer. We sat down and began to speak to the women who had gathered there.



**PRAYER
ISN'T
ALWAYS
EASY.**

**“Lord teach
us to pray.”
Luke 11:1**

**“Jesus told a
parable...to show
them they should
always pray and not
give up.”
Luke 18:1**



→ **THE LORD'S PRAYER.**

**“OUR FATHER IN
HEAVEN, HALLOWED
BE YOUR NAME,**

Prayer is about
relational intimacy &
presence



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**“YOUR KINGDOM
COME, YOUR WILL BE
DONE, ON EARTH AS
IT IS IN HEAVEN.**

Prayer is
about
rebellion



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**“GIVE US TODAY
OUR DAILY
BREAD.**

Prayer is about
petition and
provision



A close-up photograph of a person's right hand reaching out, palm up, in a gesture of prayer or offering. The hand is positioned in the upper right quadrant of the frame. The background is a soft, out-of-focus bokeh of warm, golden light, suggesting sunlight filtering through trees. The overall mood is serene and spiritual.

→ **THE LORD'S
PRAYER.**

**“AND FORGIVE US OUR
DEBTS, AS WE ALSO HAVE
FORGIVEN OUR DEBTORS.**

Prayer is about
breathless wonder



→ **THE LORD'S PRAYER.**

**“AND LEAD US NOT INTO
TEMPTATION, BUT DELIVER
US FROM THE EVIL ONE.**

Prayer is about
spiritual
warfare



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GENESIS 4:26

“Seth also had a son, and he named him Enosh.

At that time people began to call on the name of the Lord.”



REVELATION 19:1-2a

“After this I heard what sounded like the roar of a great multitude in heaven shouting: ‘Hallelujah! Salvation and glory and power belong to our God, for true and just are his judgments.’”





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Why is it important?

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DIFFERENT WAYS OF PRAYING IN THE BIBLE.

CONTEMPLATION/MEDITATION [Ps. 19:14]

INTERCESSION [1 Tim. 2:1]

BLESSING & ADORATION [Ps. 99:9]

CONSECRATION/DEDICATION [2 Ch. 29:31]

THANKSGIVING [Ps. 100:4]

SILENCE [Ps. 46:10]

PRAISE [Lk. 1:68]

LISTENING [Ps. 27:14]

CONFESSION [1 Jn. 1:9]

PRAYER IN THE SPIRIT [Eph. 6:18]

PETITION & SUPPLICATION [Ez. 8:23]

SPIRITUAL WARFARE [Eph. 6:12]

DIFFERENT WAYS OF PRAYING IN THE BIBLE CONT.

STANDING [1 Ki. 8:22]

HANDS RAISED [1 Tim. 2:8]

SITTING [2 Sam. 7:18]

KNEELING [Dan. 6:10]

BOWING [Gen. 24:26]

FACE DOWN [Num. 20:6]

SACKCLOTH & ASHES [Jer. 6:26]

BLOWING TRUMPETS [2 Chron. 23:13]

DANCING [2 Sam. 6:14]

PLAYING INSTRUMENTS [Ps. 149:3]

SINGING [Is. 14:7]

WEEPING [1 Sam. 1:10]

FASTING [Lk. 2:37]

LAMENT [Ps. 5:1]

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