

Genuine Prayer
September 14, 2025

Verse: Matthew 6:9-13

Homework: Matthew 6:5-15; Luke 11:9-13;
John 14:13-14; Isaiah 1:15-18; John 17

Prayer: To speak with God in word or thought...

- In Word – Psalm 5:1-3
- In thought – Psalm 139:4; Romans 8:26-27; 1 Samuel 1:13

Command & Training:

- Command: Seek the LORD Isaiah 55:6
- Training: How to pray! Matthew 6:9-13
 - Recognition & Submission to the greatness of God
 - Ask for needs, not wants.
 - Seek forgiveness.
 - Pray for protection.

The Privilege and Pattern of Prayer

- The Privilege of Prayer Hebrews 4:16
 - We have the right to come into the presence of God at any time!
 - Compare with the OT – Tabernacle/ Temple (Holy of Holies!)
 - See also Romans 5:2 – We have access!
 - Goal: to receive mercy and grace
- The Pattern of Prayer 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18
 - Joyful always – recognize how blessed we are!
 - Pray continually – Always carry an attitude of prayer and dependence upon God.
 - You will likely not turn to God in a time of need if you are not in the habit of turning to God on a regular basis.
 - Give thanks in all circumstances - No matter what!

Key:

- Genuine Prayer: As followers of Jesus Christ, we are committed to calling on the name of the Lord in sincerity and approaching the throne of grace with confidence, knowing that God hears and answers our prayers.

Application:

- PRAY!