

Power of Prayer

I. Attitude of Prayer

A. Humbleness (II Chron 7:14)

1. Pray in secret (Mt 6:6)
2. Between you and God

B. Seeking God's Face (II Chron 7:14)

1. Acknowledging our inadequacies
2. Our need for what only He can provide

C. Repentant

1. turn from wicked ways (II Chron 7:14)
2. Confessing your sins (James 5:16)

D. Seeking After God's Desires (Mt 7:7-8)

E. Without Anxiety (Phil 4:6)

1. Complete trust
2. Acknowledging that God alone is in control
3. Jer 29:11 - God has plans for us - future and a hope

II. God's Faithfulness

A. God Hears (II Chron 7:14)

1. The repentant (II Chron 7:14)
2. The righteous (Ps 34:15; Pr 15:29)
3. Those who fear Him (Ps 66:16; Jn 9:31)
4. Upright - Their prayer is His delight (Pr 15:8)
5. Those who abide in Him (Jn 15:7)

B. God Forgives (II Chron 7:14)

C. God Will Heal Their Land (II Chron 7:14)

D. He Delivers from Troubles (Ps 34:15) - II Tim 4:17-18

E. He Doesn't Turn Us Away (Ps 66:20)

III. God Response to Prayer

A. He Will Answer You (Jer 33:3)

B. He Knows What You Need Before You Ask (Mt 6:8)

C. He Will Give You What You Need (needs are not wants)

D. He Imparts His Spirit to Us (Lk 11:11-13)

IV. How to Pray

A. Not With Meaningless Repetition (Mt 6:7)

B. Don't Lose Heart (Lk 18:1)

C. Ask in His Name so He Will Be Glorified (Jn 14:13-14; 16:23-26)

D. In the Spirit, Alert, With Perseverance (Ro 8:26-27; Eph 6:18)

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- E. Rejoicing Always, With Thanksgiving (I Thes 5:16, 18)
- F. Without Ceasing (I Thes 5:17)
- G. With Confidence (He 4:16; I Jn 5:14)
- H. Without Doubting (James 1:6-7)
- I. With the Right Motives (James 4:1-3)
- J. According to His Will (I Jn 5:14-15)

V. What to Pray

- A. Pattern (Mt 6:9-13)
 - 1. Acknowledging Who God Is
 - 2. Praising Him
 - 3. Acknowledging His Kingdom Work
 - 4. Acknowledge our Need for His Provisions
 - 5. Acknowledging our need for forgiveness and the need to forgive
 - 6. Acknowledging our weakness and need for His strength
 - 7. Acknowledging God's Kingdom
 - 8. Praising His power and glory
- B. That You Bear Much Fruit (Jn 15:8, 16)
- C. That Gospel Will Be Spoken Boldly (Eph 6:19-20)
- D. Live in Godliness and Dignity (I Tim 2:1-2)
- E. Preparedness - Difficult Times Are Coming (II Tim 3:1-7)
- F. Wisdom (James 1:5)

VI. God Will Not Hear

- A. Those Who Regard Evil in Their Hearts (Ps 66:18)
- B. Wicked (Pr 15:29)
- C. Those Who Turn from His Laws (Pr 28:9)
- D. Iniquities Have Separated Man from God (Is 59:2)
- E. The Hypocrites (Mt 6:5)
 - 1. Want to be seen by men
 - 2. Have their reward in full
- F. Sinners (Jn 9:31)