

**“When you pray, pray this way”  
Matthew 6: 5 – 15**

Jesus brings up 3 ‘acts of righteousness’ common to Jews:

- 1) Giving Alms            (Matthew 6: 2)
- 2) **Prayer**                (Matthew 6: 5)
- 3) Fasting                (Matthew 6: 16)

Today we are focusing on our motive for & method of prayer!

Jesus assumes that his disciples will “pray”

His focus is on their motives...

*Public praise*            **OR**            *Private connection  
with God the Father*

Motives are shown through your method...

*“Wall of Sound”*            **OR**            *“Pattern of Humility”*

Pattern:            Praise & adoration of God as our Father  
                          Call for & submission to God’s Kingdom  
                          Humbly receiving His gifts (Daily Bread)  
                          Humbly receiving & giving forgiveness  
                          Humbly seeking His leadership & deliverance

**Is this pattern the way I pray?**

**What is my motivation?**

Connection with & Obedience to God    OR    my gain