

Made to Pray - Part 6
Fellowship & Discipleship

Luke 11:2a,4a (ESV)

**² And he said to them, "When you pray, say: ...
⁴ and forgive us our sins..."**

"By regularly asking for forgiveness, we draw the finished work of Christ into today's temptations and failures — and we renew and sweeten the fellowship we enjoy with him because of that finished work." Marshall Seagal

1 John 1:5-10 (ESV)

⁵ This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. ⁶ If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. ⁷ But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸ If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹ If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰ If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

"One of the surest antidotes to the process of moral hardening is the disciplined practice of uncovering our sins of thought & outlook, as well of word & deed, and the repentant forsaking of them." John Stott

"This period of our devotions must contain a moment of pain...But let evil in conduct, thought or motive be brought into the open, fully, without excuse, and under proper names." E.M. Blaiklock

SIN TO CONFESS

Luke 11:2a, 4b (ESV)

**² And he said to them, "When you pray, say: ...
⁴ and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us."**

"The great danger in having enemies is not what they may do to us-it is what we do to ourselves as we allow harsh, bitter, angry reaction to develop." David Hubbard

Ephesians 4:31-32 (ESV)

³¹ Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. ³² Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

PERSON TO FORGIVE

FELLOWSHIP

Luke 11:2a,4c (ESV)

**² And he said to them, "When you pray, say:...
⁴ And lead us not into temptation."**

Matthew 6:13 (ESV)

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

James 1:13-14 (ESV)

¹³ Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God," for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one. ¹⁴ But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire.

DISCIPLESHIP

John 10:27-29 (ESV)

27 My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. 28 I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. 29 My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand.

THIS KIND OF PRAYING IS ABOUT YOUR WALK WITH GOD AND SPIRITUAL WARFARE

Ephesians 6:10-18 (ESV)

10 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. 11 Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. 12 For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. 13 Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. 14 Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, 15 and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. 16 In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; 17 and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, 18 praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints...