

Grownups series

11.30.25

(Prayer)

Luke 11:1 He was praying in a certain place, and when he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, just as John also taught his disciples."

I. Why don't we?

Because we may not know how

Because we may have a priority problem

Psa 55:17_I complain and groan morning, noon, and night,
and he hears my voice.

*If the devil can't make you bad, he'll
make you busy. -Anonymous*

I Thess 5:17 pray constantly,

Charles Spurgeon "I always feel it well just to put a few words of prayer
between everything I do."

Because we may not see prayer as part of a relational duty

Don't ever hesitate to take to [God] whatever is on your heart.
He already knows it anyway, but He doesn't want you to bear its
pain or celebrate its joy alone.

Billy Graham

Because we minimize prayer since "God already knows what we need"

Matt 6:8 ⁸ Don't be like them, because your Father knows the things you need before you ask him.

Matt 6:9 ⁹ "Therefore, you should pray like this:

Our Father in heaven,
your name be honored as holy.

Because we have not had our previous prayers answered.

James 4: You ask and don't receive because you ask with wrong motives, so that you may spend it on your pleasures.

James 1:-⁶ But let him ask in faith without doubting.^[b] For the doubter is like the surging sea, driven and tossed by the wind. ⁷ That person should not expect to receive anything from the Lord

Close

To be a Christian without prayer is no more possible than to be alive without breathing.

Martin Luther