

Prayer

I. Prayer allows us to contact and to absorb God.

2 Cor. 3:18

1 Pet. 1:8

II. How should we pray?

John 4:24 – God is Spirit; and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and reality

Eph. 6:18a – By means of all prayer and petition, praying at every time in spirit

III. Our standing to pray

A. By the blood of Jesus

Heb. 10:19 – Having, therefore, brothers, boldness for entering the Holy of Holies in the blood of Jesus,

B. In the name of the Lord

John 15:16b – that whatever you ask the Father in My name, He may give you.

IV. What if we feel hindered in our prayer?

Heb. 10:22 – Let us come forward forward to the Holy of Holies...having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience...

V. What does prayer do?

A. Makes God and the things of God real to us.

John 16:13a – But when He, the Spirit of reality, comes, He will guide you into all the reality;

B. Gets the word of God into us that God may speak to us through His word.

Eph. 5:26; Jer. 15:16

C. Facilitates God's move on the earth. Even His move into man.

Isa. 45:11b – Ask Me about the things to come concerning My sons, / And concerning the work of My hands, command Me.

John 15:16b – that whatever you ask the Father in My name, He may give you.

1 Tim. 2:4 – “[God] Who desires all men to be saved and to come to the full knowledge of the truth.

Phil 1:19 – For I know that for me this will turn out to salvation through your petition and the bountiful supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ,

Col. 1:9-10 – Therefore we also, since the day we heard of it, do not cease praying and asking on your behalf that you may be filled with the full knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, To walk worthily of the Lord to please Him in all things, bearing fruit in every good work and growing by the full knowledge of God