

A woman with her eyes closed and hands clasped in prayer, serving as the background for the text.

Pray like this...

A Mini Series on Prayer in Scripture

Prayer IS:

- **A conversation with God**
- **Surrendering ourselves to God's presence**

Church Challenge:

- **Trying writing out a prayer each day. Keep it to about 2 paragraphs.**



Pray like a... Sinner:

Luke 18:9-14

Context of Luke:

- **Jesus was talking to a crowd about praying and not losing heart, but asking God in faith to act.**

Issues of Trust:

- **Jesus points out that prayer is all about an issue of trust within our hearts.**

Issues of Trust:

- **Trusted in themselves**
- **They were Righteous**
- **Treated others with Contempt**

Comparison of Prayers:

- **Pharisee vs. Tax Collector**
- **Pharisee thanked God and talked to God about his good works**
- **Fasted twice and gave tithes**

Comparison of Prayers:

- **Tax Collector stood far away**
- **Head bowed, beat his chest**
- **Asked God to show mercy**
- **Stated who he was**

Prayer Principle:

- **Faith in Christ drives us to pray humbly, admitting and confessing sin without excuse.**

Prayer Reminders:

- **As we pray, we need to remember who we are talking to**
- **As we pray, we need to remember who WE REALLY ARE**
- **As we pray, we need to seek forgiveness and confess our sins**

Church Challenge:

- **Connect your attitude and posture!
Consider the way you pray this
week and what you are praying
about.**

Biblical Postures:

Bowing

- **Honor**
- **Respect**
- **Gratitude**



Biblical Postures:

Kneeling

- **Meekness**
- **Submission**
- **Humility**



Biblical Postures:

Laying down

- **Remorse**
- **Unworthiness**
- **Weakness**



Biblical Postures:

Lifting Hands Together

- **Unity**
- **Peace**
- **Agreement**

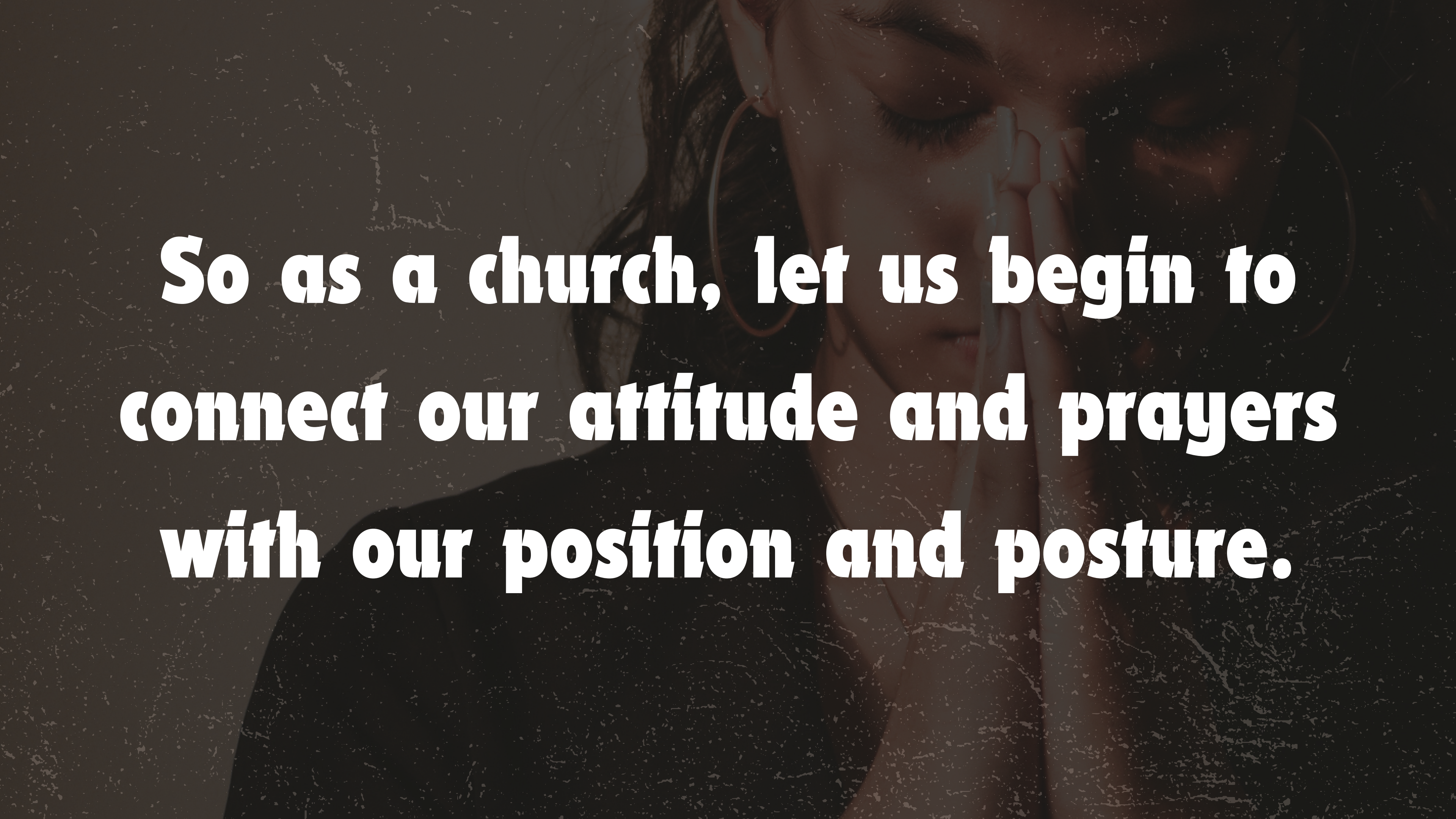


Biblical Postures:

Silence

- **Overwhelmed**
- **Amazed**
- **Suffering**



A woman with her eyes closed and hands clasped in prayer, wearing a large hoop earring, is the background of the image. The text is overlaid in white, bold, sans-serif font.

**So as a church, let us begin to
connect our attitude and prayers
with our position and posture.**