

# Lord, Teach Us To Pray

And it came to pass, that, as he was praying in a certain place, when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples. Luke 11:1

**“WHAT A MAN IS, HE IS ALONE ON HIS KNEES  
BEFORE GOD, AND NO MORE.”**

Robert Murray McCheyne

**“THE GREATEST THING ANYONE CAN DO FOR GOD AND MAN IS PRAY. IT IS NOT THE ONLY THING; BUT IT IS THE CHIEF THING. THE GREAT PEOPLE OF THE EARTH TODAY ARE THE PEOPLE WHO PRAY. I DO NOT MEAN THOSE WHO TALK ABOUT PRAYER; NOR THOSE WHO SAY THEY BELIEVE IN PRAYER; NOR YET THOSE WHO CAN EXPLAIN ABOUT PRAYER; BUT I MEAN THOSE PEOPLE WHO TAKE TIME TO PRAY.”**

S. D. Gordon

## Prayer Defined

**“PRAYER IS AN OFFERING UP OF OUR DESIRES UNTO GOD FOR THINGS AGREEABLE TO HIS WILL, IN THE NAME OF CHRIST, WITH CONFESSIONS OF OUR SINS AND THANKFUL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF HIS MERCIES.”**

D. L. Moody

**“PRAYER IS THE CHANNEL THROUGH WHICH ALL GOOD FLOWS TO MEN. PRAYER IS A PRIVILEGE, A SACRED, PRINCELY PRIVILEGE. PRAYER IS A DUTY, AN OBLIGATION MOST BINDING, AND MOST IMPERATIVE, WHICH SHOULD HOLD US TO IT. BUT PRAYER IS MORE THAN A PRIVILEGE, MORE THAN DUTY. IT IS THE APPOINTED CONDITION OF GETTING GOD’S AID. IT IS THE AVENUE THROUGH WHICH GOD SUPPLIES MAN’S WANTS.”**

E. M. Bounds

## We don't get our prayers answered because:

1. We don't \_\_\_\_\_

### **James 4:2**

<sup>2</sup> Ye have not because ye ask not.

2. We pray \_\_\_\_\_

### **James 4:3**

<sup>3</sup> Ye ask, and ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your own lusts.

3. We pray for \_\_\_\_\_ (*Pharisees*)

### **Matthew 6:5-7**

<sup>5</sup> And when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites are: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. <sup>6</sup> But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly. <sup>7</sup> But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking.

o We \_\_\_\_\_ too soon (*parable*)

### **Luke 11:5-10**

<sup>5</sup> And he said unto them, Which of you shall have a friend, and shall go unto him at midnight, and say unto him, Friend, lend me three loaves; <sup>6</sup> For a friend of mine in his journey is come to me, and I have nothing to set before him? <sup>7</sup> And he from within shall answer and say, Trouble me not: the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot rise and give thee. <sup>8</sup> I say unto you, Though he will not rise and give him, because he is his friend, yet because of his importunity he will rise and give him as many as he needeth. <sup>9</sup> And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you <sup>10</sup> For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

4. We don't \_\_\_\_\_

**James 5:16b**

<sup>16b</sup> The effectual fervent prayer of a **righteous man** availeth much.

5. We \_\_\_\_\_ our sin

**Psalms 6:18**

<sup>18</sup> If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me.

6. We aren't \_\_\_\_\_

**James 5:16b**

<sup>16b</sup> The effectual **fervent** prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

7. We don't \_\_\_\_\_ to get prayers answered

**Matthew 9:29b**

<sup>29b</sup> According to your faith, be it unto you.