

VISION PATH
In Everything Prayer
Philippians 4:4-7
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The purpose of prayer is to stay connected to God.

JESUS' PROMISE

And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”
Matthew 28:20b CSB

And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—¹⁷ the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. ¹⁸ I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. ¹⁹ Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. ²⁰ On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. ²¹ Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them.”

John 14:16-21 NIV

As long as we are walking with Jesus we are not breaking any of the commandments of scripture.

GOD'S PROMISE TO ISRAEL

Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the Lord your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you.”

⁷ Then Moses summoned Joshua and said to him in the presence of all Israel, “Be strong and courageous, for you must go with this people into the land that the Lord swore to their ancestors to give them, and you must divide it among them as their inheritance. ⁸ The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged.” Deuteronomy 31:6-8 NIV

God has always made this promise to those who believe in Him.

This day I call the heavens and the earth as witnesses against you that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Now choose life, so that you and your children may live²⁰ and that you may love the Lord your God, listen to his voice, and hold fast to him. For the Lord is your life, and he will give you many years in the land he swore to give to your fathers, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Deuteronomy 30:19-20 NIV

An idol is anyone or anything you put your trust in that is not God.

You choose to walk with God or to live life on your own.

Sin is saying no to God and building your life on another foundation.

HOW TO PRAY

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!⁵ Let your graciousness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁶ Don't worry about anything, but in everything, through prayer and petition with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:4-7 CSB

God is God

Be nice and gentle to the people around you

The Lord is near

Thank God continually

This peace is from God

WE WANT TO BE A PRAYING CHURCH

Prayer keeps us connected to God and allows us to carry out God's plan.

And maybe the hardest thing is to keep praying when the prayer has gone unanswered.

Prayer doesn't always change the circumstances we find ourselves in, more importantly it changes us. It alters our internal reality so we see with spiritual eyes.