

Class 1: Walking Your PATH

Introduction to PATH & Why pray everyday?

Class 2: Reading Scripture everyday: Michael Cody

Class 3: Attend on Sunday: James Thigpen

Class 4: Take time to be in a Small group: Jeremy Terry

Class 5: Have a personal ministry: Mark Williams

Class 6: Handling Conflict: Paul Von Herrmann

Why should I pray everyday?

1-Because Jesus _____

Matthew 6:5-9

a-Jesus assumes _____

v5, 6, 7, 9; Luke 5:16; 1 Thessalonians 5:17

b-Jesus calls us to _____

Begs the question...

Thought experiment: Counseling the guy who wants a better relationship

2-Because you cannot have _____

3-Because God _____

Revelation 5:8, Matthew 7:11

4-Because Prayer has _____

James 5:16; Matthew 6:10, 13; Matthew 26,
Mark 9, Luke 18:1

Talking with My Father

Prayer is talking with our heavenly father. Jesus taught his disciples to pray like this:

“Our Father in heaven”

Thank God that he loved you so much that he sent his Son to live the life you should have lived & to die the death you should have died so that you could be adopted as a child of God.

“Hallowed be your name.”

Praise God for who he is (all powerful, all knowing, holy, love, gracious, merciful) & for what he has done (creation, care, calling us, redeeming us, adopting us).

“Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.”

Ask God to make things right here on earth. Commit to seek first his kingdom & his righteousness.

Ask him to help you love him with all your heart & your neighbor as yourself so that his kingdom comes in your heart & he uses you & our church to bring his kingdom more & more on this earth.

Because of all he has done for us, present your body as a living sacrifice for this day. Affirm that his will for you is good, pleasing & perfect.

“Give us this day our daily bread”

Ask God to give you the things that you need. Review & commit the events of this day into the hands of your heavenly father.

Ask the Spirit to fill you & guide you this day. Ask that the fruit of the Spirit (love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness & self control) be evident in your life.

“and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.”

Ask the Spirit to search your heart & reveal any areas that grieve God. Confess these things to God. Thank Jesus for dying to take your punishment so that you can have a relationship with God.

Ask God to search your heart for any hurt or bitterness that you have in your heart towards anyone else. Ask God to help you overlook the offense & forgive that person or to go to that person & share your hurt if you cannot overlook the offense. Ask God to help you extend to others the same mercy & grace he has extended to you.

“And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.”

Ask God to deliver you from the evil of the world by renewing your mind & enabling you to pray & be thankful all through your day so that the Peace of God would guard your heart & mind.

Ask God to deliver you from the evil of your own flesh by reminding you that your old self was crucified with Christ & that you are no longer a slave to sin because Jesus died to free you from sin & his resurrection power frees you from the power of sin.

Ask God to deliver you from the evil one by enabling you to resist the devil so that he will flee from you & by your putting on the whole armor of God so that you can stand against the devil's schemes.