

## Prayer to Go DVD Series Lesson 2

### How to Pray to Get Answers

1. Introduction
  - a. What does God want me to pray about?
  - b. What will make my prayers effective?
2. Body:
  - a. The context of The Lord's Prayer: Jesus provides topics or principles to pray that will be pleasing to the Father.
    - i. The Lord's Prayer:
    - ii. **Our Father who art in heaven:**
      1. We should direct our prayer to God the Father because it is He who will answer our prayers.
      2. We are to be totally dependent upon the Father to answer our prayers.
    - iii. **Hallow be thy name:**
      1. Everything is to revolve around God. His ways are to be followed. He is to be exalted.
      2. You can start your prayer time with praise for who He is; praise for what He's done; praise for anything.
      3. Jesus starts out pointing us to God the father, being dependent upon God and praising God.
    - iv. **Thy Kingdom Come**
      1. We want God's kingdom here, we agree with it, and we desire it. We are committed to God's kingdom. Jesus wants us fully aligned with God and His kingdom and it should be the highest priority in our lives.
      2. This is where Jesus wants us to be willing to submit ourselves to do His will.
    - v. **Give us this day our Daily Bread**
      1. When we go to God in prayer, the first half should be about God's kingdom and about others.
      2. When we pray for others, we should be praying about God's kingdom becoming a reality in their lives.

3. Jesus wants us to ask God the Father to provide all of your needs on a daily basis; not your desires, your wants or your needs for tomorrow but your needs today.
4. We are to ask God to meet our needs so that we may advance God's kingdom.
5. We are to pray to God and ask him to meet our daily needs for His sake.
6. When praying we should check our motivation: whether it is for God's kingdom or for our own?
7. You should connect your needs to God's kingdom.
8. We have needs in areas of allowing Christ to live through us such as: character, wisdom, love, kindness, patience, endurance, etc. These are areas that we have on a daily basis that we need to pray about.
9. God wants us coming to Him daily to keep our relationship with him strong, fresh and dependent.

**vi. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us**

1. We need to confess our sin to God, because sin blocks our relationship with God and we cannot be used by Him to advance the kingdom of God.
2. Many husbands' prayers are not being answered because they are not "living with their wives in an understanding way."

**vii. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil..**

1. We are dependent on God to stay out of trouble.
2. We need to be dependent upon God to stay away from temptation.
3. We need for God to make us watchful so we can keep our eyes open for danger signs that would put us in sin and steer clear of those dangerous opportunities.

4. We are a target of Satan who wants to destroy us. We are to ask God to deliver us from him.

**viii. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory for ever and forever. Amen.**

1. Jesus brings us back to worship, acknowledging that all things are from Him, through Him and to Him.

3. Conclusion: Jesus wants us to pray. The Lord's Prayer is a guide for our prayer life.