

Praying Like Jesus

Apostles asked Jesus to teach them to pray. He said pray after this manner in gospels

Not a formula or written prayer but in our daily life very practical
First priority is the first words Jesus taught them. OUR FATHER. The first words we are to say any time we pray. We must start with a revelation of who God is FATHER.

Father means life source

Papa you are his son/daughter.

Papa – must recognize genetic connection. In natural blood determines parenthood. You are not here by accident. Your origin is from Father God. Creator of all things.

Your prayer life doesn't start til you get the revelation of the Father. It will not be effectual until you do. All other religions do not recognize God as Father.

KEY we develop our relationship with God in prayer. It is there that he becomes in our hearts FATHER

Jesus is the example – his lifestyle of prayer

- A. Before Jesus prayed for others he prepared himself. He came to show us how to live and how to pray and to teach all who would listen
- B. Mark 1:35 the next morning Jesus awoke long before daybreak and went out alone into the wilderness to pray.
- C. Mark 6:45-46 Immediately after this, Jesus made his disciples get back into the boat and head out across the lake to Bethsaida, while he sent the people home. 46 Afterward he went up into the hills by himself to pray. NLT this was after feed 5000
- D. Luke 6:12 One day soon afterward Jesus went to a mountain to pray, and he prayed to God all night. NLT the next day he chose the 12 disciples and designated them as apostles.
- E. Jesus prayer life in the midst of living
 - a. Luke 9:29 29 and as he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothing became dazzling white. *We are changed in the presence of God in prayer*

- b. Luke 9:28 about eight days later Jesus took Peter, James, and John to a mountain to pray. Pray with those you are in relationship with
- c. Luke 22: 45 at last he stood up again and returned to the disciples, only to find them asleep, exhausted from grief. 46 "Why are you sleeping?" he asked. "Get up and pray. Otherwise temptation will overpower you."_NLT Can't always depend on others to pray.
- d. Luke 5:16 But Jesus often withdrew to the wilderness for prayer. Time alone, intimacy this builds relationship
- e. John 17:1 When Jesus had finished saying all these things; he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the time has come. Glorify your Son so he can give glory back to you. He had gathered the disciples, for an intimate time of preparation for difficult times ahead that they really didn't understand. We must glorify God in our prayers.
- f. John 12:27-28 27 now my soul is deeply troubled. Should I pray, 'Father, save me from what lies ahead'? But that is the very reason why I came! 28 Father, bring glory to your name." Prayer is conversation. Jesus heart was troubled and he didn't know what to say.
- g. Silence is priceless in intercession, it releases mysteries of Christ. In the Greek the word mystery is silenced before the Lord on a regular basis that produces revelation.
- h. Mark 8:22-25 22 when they arrived at Bethsaida, some people brought a blind man to Jesus, and they begged him to touch and heal the man. 23 Jesus took the blind man by the hand and led him out of the village. Then, spitting on the man's eyes, he laid his hands on him and asked, "Can you see anything now?" 24 The man looked around. "Yes," he said, "I see people, but I can't see them very clearly. They look like trees walking around." 25 Then Jesus placed his hands over the man's eyes again. As the man stared intently, his sight was completely restored, and he could see

everything clearly Jesus prayed more than once connected to the Father unceasing prayer

- i. Mark 9:20-24 20 so they brought the boy. But when the evil spirit saw Jesus, it threw the child into a violent convulsion, and he fell to the ground, writhing and foaming at the mouth. 21 "How long has this been happening?" Jesus asked the boy's father. He replied, "Since he was very small. 22 The evil spirit often makes him fall into the fire or into water, trying to kill him. Have mercy on us and help us. Do something if you can." 23 "What do you mean, 'If I can'?" Jesus asked. "Anything is possible if a person believes." 24 The father instantly replied, "I do believe, but help me not to doubt!" Jesus asked questions before praying.
- j. Matt 8:14-15 14 when Jesus arrived at Peter's house, Peter's mother-in-law was in bed with a high fever. 15 But when Jesus touched her hand, the fever left her. Then she got up and prepared a meal for him. Implied communion ongoing with the Father. Be sensitive to needs and when you see a need ask to pray for that person.
- k. Matt 17:20 20-21 "You didn't have enough faith," Jesus told them. "I assure you, even if you had faith as small as a mustard seed you could say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it would move. Nothing would be impossible." Is your faith in prayer or is your faith in God.
- l. John 11:40-43 40 Jesus responded, "Didn't I tell you that you will see God's glory if you believe?" 41 So they rolled the stone aside. Then Jesus looked up to heaven and said, "Father, thank you for hearing me. 42 You always hear me, but I said it out loud for the sake of all these people standing here, so they will believe you sent me." 43 Then Jesus shouted, "Lazarus, come out!" He was exemplifying to those around the power of prayer from the Father
- m. Matt 26:36-46 36 Then Jesus brought them to an olive grove called Gethsemane, and he said, "Sit here while I go on ahead to pray." 37 He took Peter and Zebedee's two sons, James and John, and he began to be filled with anguish and deep distress. 38 He

told them, "My soul is crushed with grief to the point of death. Stay here and watch with me." 39 He went on a little farther and fell face down on the ground, praying, "My Father! If it is possible, let this cup of suffering be taken away from me. Yet I want your will, not mine." 40 Then he returned to the disciples and found them asleep. He said to Peter, "Couldn't you stay awake and watch with me even one hour? 41 Keep alert and pray. Otherwise temptation will overpower you. For though the spirit is willing enough, the body is weak!" 42 Again he left them and prayed, "My Father! If this cup cannot be taken away until I drink it, your will be done." 43 He returned to them again and found them sleeping, for they just couldn't keep their eyes open. 44 So he went back to pray a third time, saying the same things again. 45 Then he came to the disciples and said, "Still sleeping? Still resting? Look, the time has come. I, the Son of Man, am betrayed into the hands of sinners. 46 Up, let's be going. See, my betrayer is here!" Jesus agonized in prayer.