

DISCIPLESHIP BIBLE STUDY—Prayer

And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith... (2 Peter 1:5)

(1) Prayer is the means of obtaining help in times of need (see Hebrews 4:16).

(1.1) In what manner may we approach God's throne in prayer?

We may come _____ to God's throne.

(1.2) What will believers receive if they do so? They will receive _____ and find _____ to help in time of _____ .

(2) The Place of Prayer in the Christian Life (see 1Thessalonians 5:17-18).

(2.1) What place should prayer take in the life of the believer?

Prayer should be a _____ part of life (v17).

(2.2) What attitude should be prominent in prayer (v18)?

Prayer should include _____ .

(3) Prayer develops your relationship with God (see James 4:8a).

What will God do if you draw near (nigh) to Him?

He will draw _____ to me.

(4) To Whom Should We Pray?

(4.1) To which person of the Trinity should prayer be made (John 16:23-24)?

Prayer should only be made to _____ (v23).

(4.2) In whose name should prayer be made (v24)?

Prayer should be made in _____ name.

(5) Prayer is God's way of providing for our needs (see John 16:24).

(5.1) What should you do if you need something from God?

I should _____ God for it.

(5.2) What will be the result of asking?

I will _____ (note that this promise is limited by God's sovereign will).

(6) Prayer is God's cure for worry and anxiety (see Philippians 4:6-7).

(6.1) What should a believer do when anxious (careful) about anything (v6)?

He/she should _____ about the matter.

(6.2) What is the result of bringing your needs to God in prayer (v7)?

The believer will experience the _____ of God.

(6.3) What should a believer do when they have concerns and worries (1Peter 5:7)?

He/she should _____ the concerns (cares) upon _____ .

(6.4) What fact given here should encourage believers to pray (1Peter 5:7)?

We are encouraged to pray because God _____ for me.

(7) Prayer is a group (corporate) activity as well as a personal one.

(7.1) Private prayer is the foundation for public prayer (see Matthew 6:6).

Where should a believer go for private prayer?

The believer should find a _____ place .

(7.2) What did the early church do together (see Acts 1:14; 2:42; 12:5,12)?

They _____ together a lot.

Therefore be sure to attend and participate in the church prayer meetings.

(7.3) What special promise does Jesus Christ give to group prayer meetings (Matthew 18:19-20)?

He promises that He will be _____ (v20).

(8) What can hinder (hold back) a believer's prayers (Psalm 66:18 & James 4:3)?

_____ will hinder a believer's prayer.

(9) Application—what change(s) will you make in your life as a result of this study?

Answer

Memory verse—

Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. (Hebrews 4:16)

or

Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you. (1 Peter 5:7)