

MORE THAN A TALK
Conversations with God
Matthew 6:8–13
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Why Pray?

1. IT STARTS WITH A _____

Don't be like them, because your Father knows the things you need before you ask him. Matthew 6:8

For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear. Instead, you received the Spirit of adoption, by whom we cry out, "Abba, Father!" Romans 8:15

¹² But to all who did receive him, he gave them the right to be children of God, to those who believe in his name, ¹³ who were born, not of natural descent, or of the will of the flesh, or of the will of man, but of God. John 1:12–13

Therefore, let us approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in time of need. Hebrews 4:16

¹¹ What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will give him a snake instead of a fish? ¹² Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? ¹³ If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?" Luke 11:11–13

How do you Pray?

2. BEGIN WITH _____

⁹ "Therefore, you should pray like this: Our Father in heaven, your name be honored as holy. ¹⁰ Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Matthew 6:9–10

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him and bless his name. Psalm 100:4

...in all your ways know him, and he will make your paths straight. Proverbs 3:6

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Therefore, brothers and sisters, in view of the mercies of God, I urge you to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God; this is your true worship. ² Do not be conformed to this age, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may discern what is the good, pleasing, and perfect will of God. Romans 12:1–2

3: BE READY TO _____

¹¹ Give us today our daily bread. ¹² And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. Matthew 6:11–12

Don't worry about anything, but in everything, through prayer and petition with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. Philippians 4:6

⁶ Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you at the proper time, ⁷ casting all your cares on him, because he cares about you. 1 Peter 5:6–7

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:9

4. FIGHT THROUGH _____

And do not bring us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. (For yours is the kingdom, power and glory forever. Amen.) Matthew 6:13

⁸ Be sober-minded, be alert. Your adversary the devil is prowling around like a roaring lion, looking for anyone he can devour. ⁹ Resist him, firm in the faith, knowing that the same kind of sufferings are being experienced by your fellow believers throughout the world. 1 Peter 5:8–9

¹¹ Put on the full armor of God so that you can stand against the schemes of the devil. ¹² For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this darkness, against evil, spiritual forces in the heavens. Ephesians 6:11–12

Pray at all times in the Spirit with every prayer and request, and stay alert with all perseverance and intercession for all the saints. Ephesians 6:18

⁹ If you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ One believes with the heart, resulting in righteousness, and one confesses with the mouth, resulting in salvation. Romans 10:9–10