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MATTHEW 6:1-15

2 STEPS TO A SUCCESSFUL PRAYER LIFE

I. BEGIN WITH THE _____

"Be careful not to practice your righteousness in front of others to be seen by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven. So when you give to the needy, do not announce it with trumpets, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and on the streets, to be honored by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your giving may be in secret. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you."

MATTHEW 6:1-4

"And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their many words. Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him."

MATTHEW 6:5-8



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3 MYTHS ABOUT PRAYER

1. Prayer is _____ (NOT TRUE!)
2. Prayer is about _____ (NOT TRUE!)
3. Prayer _____ is **NOT** important (NOT TRUE!)

II. USE THE MODEL _____

"In this manner, therefore, pray:

'Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.'

For if you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses." **MATTHEW 6:9-15**

A POWERFUL PATTERN FOR PRAYER

**He didn't give us the WHAT to SAY.....
He gave us the HOW to PRAY**

- _____ — Start with God and not with you
"...Our Father in heaven..." (v. 9)
- _____ — Give God adoration, appreciation, and affirmation
"Hallowed be your name." (v. 9b)

*"Think about who God is, until your heart is dazzled."
- TIM KELLER*

- _____ — God's agenda over our agenda
"Your kingdom come. Your will be done..." (v. 10)
- _____ — Show dependence on Him, not independence from Him
"Give us this day our daily bread." (v. 11)
- _____ — Ask God for forgiveness
"And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors." (v. 12)
- _____ — Ask for God's protection
"And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one." (v. 13)

FINAL THOUGHTS:

"The most important thing in your entire life is not your family, your job, your ministry, your finances, etc. It's your personal intimate commune with Jesus Christ, because out of that flows everything else." -CHARLES STANLEY