

The Discipline of Prayer Pt. 2

James 5:16b-18

16. ... The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much.
17. Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the earth for three years and six months.
18. Then he prayed again, and the sky poured rain and the earth produced its fruit.

John 14:13-14

13. "Whatever you ask in My name, that will I do, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son.
14. "If you ask Me anything in My name, I will do *it*.

John 15:16

You did not choose Me but I chose you, and appointed you that you would go and bear fruit, and *that* your fruit would remain, so that whatever you ask of the Father in My name He may give to you.

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John 16:23

In that day you will not question Me about anything. Truly, truly, I say to you, if you ask the Father for anything in My name, He will give it to you.

1 John 5:14-15

14. This is the confidence which we have before Him, that, if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us.
15. And if we know that He hears us *in* whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests which we have asked from Him.

Ephesians 6:18

With all prayer and petition pray at all times in the Spirit, and with this in view, be on the alert with all perseverance and petition for all the saints,

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Philippians 3:3

... for we are the *true* circumcision, who worship in the Spirit of God and glory in Christ Jesus and put no confidence in the flesh,

Mark 11:24

Therefore I say to you, all things for which you pray and ask, believe that you have received them, and they will be *granted* you.

Romans 10:17

So faith *comes* from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ.

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James 1:5-8

5. But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all generously and without reproach, and it will be given to him.
6. But he must ask in faith without any doubting, for the one who doubts is like the surf of the sea, driven and tossed by the wind.
7. For that man ought not to expect that he will receive anything from the Lord,
8. *being* a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

4	<p><u>1 John 5:14-15</u> 14. This is the confidence which we have before Him, that, if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. 15. And if we know that He hears us <i>in</i> whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests which we have asked from Him.</p> <p><u>Matthew 6:10</u> Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.</p> <p><u>Acts 4:25-26</u> 25. who by the Holy Spirit, <i>through</i> the mouth of our father David Your servant, said, 'WHY DID THE GENTILES RAGE, AND THE PEOPLES DEVISE FUTILE THINGS? 26. 'THE KINGS OF THE EARTH TOOK THEIR STAND, AND THE RULERS WERE GATHERED TOGETHER AGAINST THE LORD AND AGAINST HIS CHRIST.'</p> <p><u>James 1:5-8</u> 5. But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all generously and without reproach, and it will be given to him. 6. But he must ask in faith without any doubting, for the one who doubts is like the surf of the sea, driven and tossed by the wind. 7. For that man ought not to expect that he will receive anything from the Lord, 8. <i>being</i> a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.</p>
5	<p><u>Isaiah 57:15</u> For thus says the high and exalted One Who lives forever, whose name is Holy, "I dwell <i>on</i> a high and holy place, and <i>also</i> with the contrite and lowly of spirit in order to revive the spirit of the lowly and to revive the heart of the contrite.</p> <p><u>Isaiah 66:1</u> 1. Thus says the LORD, "Heaven is My throne and the earth is My footstool. Where then is a house you could build for Me? And where is a place that I may rest? 2. "For My hand made all these things, thus all these things came into being," declares the LORD. "But to this one I will look, to him who is humble and contrite of spirit, and who trembles at My word.</p> <p><u>James 4:6</u> But He gives a greater grace. Therefore <i>it</i> says, "GOD IS OPPOSED TO THE PROUD, BUT GIVES GRACE TO THE HUMBLE."</p>

5	<p><u>Luke 18:9-14</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">9. And He also told this parable to some people who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and viewed others with contempt:10. "Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector.11. "The Pharisee stood and was praying this to himself: 'God, I thank You that I am not like other people: swindlers, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector.12. 'I fast twice a week; I pay tithes of all that I get.'13. "But the tax collector, standing some distance away, was even unwilling to lift up his eyes to heaven, but was beating his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me, the sinner!'14. "I tell you, this man went to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but he who humbles himself will be exalted." <p><u>James 4:10</u></p> <p>Humble yourselves in the presence of the Lord, and He will exalt you.</p>
6	<p><u>Luke 11:5-10</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">5. Then He said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and goes to him at midnight and says to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves;6. for a friend of mine has come to me from a journey, and I have nothing to set before him';7. and from inside he answers and says, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been shut and my children and I are in bed; I cannot get up and give you <i>anything</i>.'8. "I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him <i>anything</i> because he is his friend, yet because of his persistence he will get up and give him as much as he needs.9. "So I say to you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you.10. "For everyone who asks, receives; and he who seeks, finds; and to him who knocks, it will be opened. <p><u>Luke 18:1-8</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Now He was telling them a parable to show that at all times they ought to pray and not to lose heart,2. saying, "In a certain city there was a judge who did not fear God and did not respect man.3. "There was a widow in that city, and she kept coming to him, saying, 'Give me legal protection from my opponent.'4. "For a while he was unwilling; but afterward he said to himself, 'Even though I do not fear God nor respect man,5. yet because this widow bothers me, I will give her legal protection, otherwise by continually coming she will wear me out.' "6. And the Lord said, "Hear what the unrighteous judge *said;7. now, will not God bring about justice for His elect who cry to Him day and night, and will He delay long over them?8. "I tell you that He will bring about justice for them quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will He find faith on the earth?"

6	b)	<p><u>2 Timothy 1:3</u> I thank God, whom I serve with a clear conscience the way my forefathers did, as I constantly remember you in my prayers night and day,</p> <p><u>Romans 12:12 (NKJV)</u> ... rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer;</p> <p><u>Colossians 4:2</u> Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert in it with <i>an attitude of thanksgiving</i>;</p> <p><u>Ephesians 6:18</u> With all prayer and petition pray at all times in the Spirit, and with this in view, be on the alert with all perseverance and petition for all the saints,</p> <p><u>1 Thessalonians 5:17</u> ... pray without ceasing;</p>
6	c)	<p><u>Acts 2:42</u> They were continually devoting themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.</p> <p><u>Acts 12:5 (NKJV)</u> Peter was therefore kept in prison, but constant prayer was offered to God for him by the church.</p>
6	d)	<p><u>Daniel 6:10</u> Now when Daniel knew that the document was signed, he entered his house (now in his roof chamber he had windows open toward Jerusalem); and he continued kneeling on his knees three times a day, praying and giving thanks before his God, as he had been doing previously.</p> <p><u>Nehemiah 1:6</u> ...let Your ear now be attentive and Your eyes open to hear the prayer of Your servant which I am praying before You now, day and night, on behalf of the sons of Israel Your servants, confessing the sins of the sons of Israel which we have sinned against You; I and my father's house have sinned.</p> <p><u>Luke 2:36-38</u> 36. And there was a prophetess, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years and had lived with <i>her</i> husband seven years after her marriage, 37. and then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple, serving night and day with fastings and prayers. 38. At that very moment she came up and <i>began</i> giving thanks to God, and continued to speak of Him to all those who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.</p>