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Pray without ceasing.

I Thessalonians 5:17

Have you ever seen a picture of a child down on his knees praying? Many times we see people praying on pictures and paintings. Why do people pray? What is prayer, anyway? There is one thing we can always count on, and that is the Bible. It can answer all your questions about **Prayer**.



### What is Prayer?

1. The word “pray” means “to ask.” When we ask a question or ask our parents for something, that is what prayer is - asking. Prayer is not just talking to God but asking.

*I John 5:14, “And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we a \_\_\_ any thing according to his will, he heareth us:”*

### Why should I Pray?

Because God commanded us to. *Luke 18:1, “And he spake a parable unto them to this end, that men ought a \_\_\_\_\_ to p\_\_\_\_\_, and not to faint;”* God wants us to pray to Him and commands us to pray.

### How do I Pray?



The 12 disciples asked Jesus Christ, “Lord teach us to pray.” We might want to pray but do not know how. The disciples were the same way. God teaches us how to pray through the Bible.



#### 1. How should I pray?

- We can s\_\_\_\_\_ & pray - *Mark 11:25*
- We can k\_\_\_\_\_ & pray - *I Kings 8:54*
- We can fall on our f\_\_\_\_\_ & pray - *Matthew*

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#### 2. Who do I talk to?

- Always pray to the F\_\_\_\_\_ (God) - *Luke 11:2*
- Always be respectful and open to God when you pray.
- Always pray in the H\_\_\_\_\_ S\_\_\_\_\_ - *Ephesians 6:18*
- Always pray in J\_\_\_\_\_’ name - *Ephesians 5:20*

Remember that we are not talking to our neighbor but our Creator.

### When should I Pray?

1. There is no time when we cannot pray. We can pray anytime. *I Thessalonians 5:17, “P\_\_\_\_\_ without ceasing.”* Ceasing means “stopping.”

2. We should have definite times of prayer.

- Daniel prayed t\_\_\_\_\_ times every day - *Daniel 6:10*

- David prayed each m\_\_\_\_\_ - *Psalms 5:3*

- Jesus prayed in the e\_\_\_\_\_ - *Mark 1:35*

- We should pray when we get up, pray before we eat, pray before bed or anytime we want to pray to God.



### What should I pray for?

1. We should always ask God to forgive our sins.

*I John 1:9, "If we c\_\_\_\_\_ our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."* We are not getting saved again, but just telling God that we are sorry for what we have done wrong. We are apologizing for and confessing to God our mistakes and asking Him to forgive us.

2. We should pray for our **relatives** and other people to get **saved** and **baptized** - also pray for **teachers, parents, and pastor** - *Matthew 28:19*.



3. We should pray for our country and anyone in a\_\_\_\_\_ - *I Timothy 2:1-2*.



4. We should pray that God would help us be a blessing to someone else by:

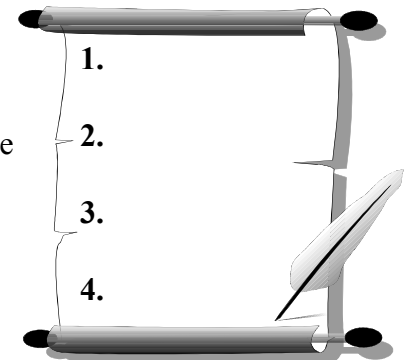
- telling them about Jesus Christ.
- helping them.

5. We should pray for things God told us to pray for:

### A Prayer list

- Mom, Dad and Family
- wisdom
- to do the right thing all the time
- for our needs
- safety & protection, etc.

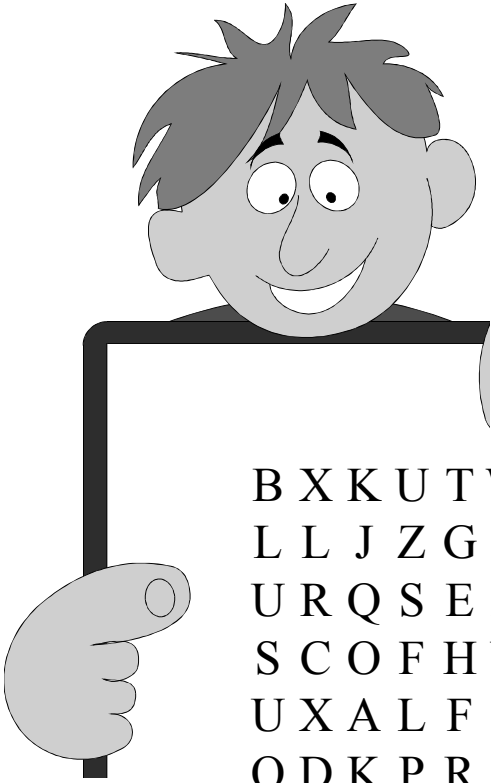
### What would you add to this list?



**Cross out these letters. Find a message!**

Write the remaining letters in order - left to right from the top down - on the lines below.

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*Acts 6:4*

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