

WHAT IS PRAYER?

Prayer is _____ to God

- "... pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done." – PHIL. 4:6 [NLT]
- "As the deer longs for streams of water, so I long for you, O God. I thirst for God, the living God. When can I go and stand before him?" – PSA. 42:1-2 [NLT]

God _____ we will pray!

- "When you pray..." – MAT. 6:5, 6, 7 [NLT]
- "Never stop praying." – 1 THESS. 5:17 [NLT]
- "... keep on praying." – ROM. 12:12 [NLT]
- "... be persistent in your ..." – EPH. 6:18 [NLT]
- "Devote yourselves to prayer..." – COL. 4:2 [NLT]

WHY DO WE PRAY?

1. We pray to _____ God

- "Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus." – 1 THESS. 5:18

2. We pray to _____ God

- "Therefore, let us offer through Jesus a continual sacrifice of praise to God, proclaiming our allegiance to his name." – HEB. 13:15 [NLT]

3. We pray to _____ God

- "Ask me and I will tell you remarkable secrets you do not know about things to come." – JER. 33:3 [NLT]

4. We pray for _____ from God

- "Keep watch and pray, so that you will not give in to temptation. For the spirit is willing, but the body is weak!" – MAT. 26:41 [NLT]

5. We pray for the _____ of God

- "Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results." – JAS. 5:16 [NLT]
- "Yet you don't have what you want because you don't ask God for it. And even when you ask, you don't get it because your motives are all wrong—you want only what will give you pleasure." – JAS. 4:2-3 [NLT]

6. We pray to get _____ to God

- "And we are confident that he hears us whenever we ask for anything that pleases him." – 1 JN. 5:14 [NLT]

7. We pray because God _____ when we pray

- "Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results." – JAS. 5:16 [NLT]
- "If my people who are called by my name will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sins and restore their land." – 2 CHRON. 7:14 [NLT]

"True prayer is a way of life, not just for use in case of emergency. Make it a habit, and when you need it, you will be in practice."

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PRAY LOTS!