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PRAYER AS A FORM OF WORSHIP

FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT



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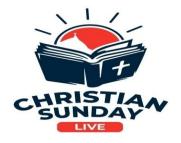
Matthew 6:5 (KJV) And when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites are: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward



- We should pray in every situation, with thanksgiving, and present our requests to God. He will give us peace and guard our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus
- ▶ Philippians 4:6 (KJV) Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.
- Philippians 4:7 (KJV) And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.



Hebrews 4:16 (KJV) Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need



► Romans 8:26 (KJV) Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered



James 1:6 (KJV) But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed



- ➤ 1 Thessalonians 5:16 (KJV) Rejoice evermore.
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- ► 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 Rejoice evermore. Pray without ceasing. In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you
- Pray always in secret as your first resort



- Start your day with thanks and Praise GOD in truth.
- ► Tell God why you want to thank HIM:
 - ▶ Pour out your heart out in truth.
 - Express your love to him.
 - Assure yourself in confirmation of his love for you.
 - Ask forgiveness of sin (because of your sinful nature)
 - Pray for your enemies and leave the rest to God.



- ▶Do not repeat yourself in long complaints and demands:
- Mathew 12:50 (KJV) But when you pray, use not vain repetitions; as the heathen do; for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking.



Matthew 6:6 (KJV) But when thou prayest, enter into thy closest, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to the Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly



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- ► Matthew 6:8 (KJV) Be not ye therefore like unto them: for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him.
- Matthew 6:10 (KJV) Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as *it is* in heaven.
- Matthew 6:11 (KJV) Give us this day our daily bread.



Matthew 6:12 (KJV) And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

► Matthew 6:13 (KJV) And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen



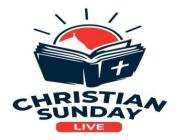
- Worship should not be contingent on anything. It does not mean that we cannot pray for anything or ask our Father in Heaven for anything; far from that. God who sees all things and knows all things will accept what type of worship (prayer) is acceptable to Himself. God is already taking care of our needs even if we do not ask. Worship is our way of thanking him for everything we have already receive:
- ▶ Romans 12:1 (KJV) I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.



- Pray fervently with a pure heart and in truth:
 - Ask your petition and your petition should not be worldly carnal physical things, but the right amount of the Word of God.
 - Ask for forgiveness for sins that we have committed: in our thoughts, in our words/speech, and in our deeds/actions while remembering to forgive those who have hurt us.
 - Petition God Almighty to order your steps in His Word so that you do not fall.

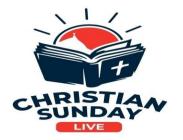


- Ask God for rebirth and his continued presence in your life.
- Praise and Glorify God Almighty first in your prayer:
 - acknowledge that God is in Heaven
 - acknowledge that God is Holy
 - speak words that show that you believe and are expecting the Kingdom of God and the will of God to be established on the Earth even as it is already established in Heaven



WHY LOCK THE CHURCH BUILDINGS, OPEN THEM FOR WORSHIP IF YOU SAY IT THE ONLY PLACE TO WORSHIP GOD!

- ▶ John 4:21 (KJV) Jesus saith unto her, Woman, believe me, the hour cometh, when ye shall neither in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father.
- ► Even though the Bible says in John 4:21 (KJV) that we can worship anywhere, it does not excuse the lack of seriousness attached to our places of worship. As Christians, we can do more by devoting greater resources to the House of Christian Assembly

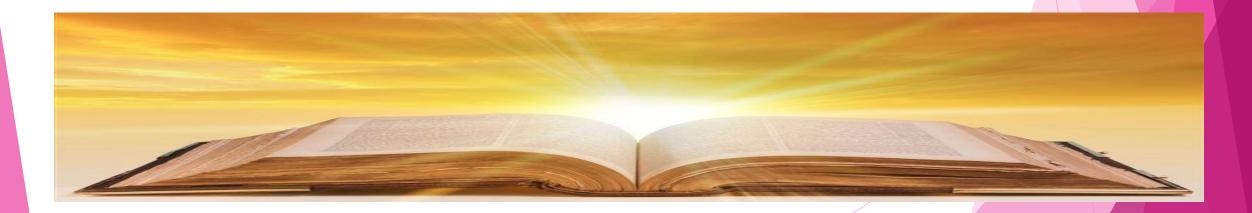


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- Hear me out fellow Christians. Have you taken the trouble to ask why our places of worship are locked under keys and chains most of the time? That reflects the locked hearts and minds of Christians in the world today! Today's Christians are predominantly ceremonial worshippers:
- ▶ Isaiah 29:13 (KJV) Wherefore the Lord said, Forasmuch as this people draw near *me* with their mouth, and with their lips do honour me, but have removed their heart far from me, and their fear toward me is taught by the precept of men:
- ▶ Isaiah 29:14 (KJV) Therefore, behold, I will proceed to do a marvellous work among this people, even a marvellous work and a wonder: for the wisdom of their wise men shall perish, and the understanding of their prudent men shall be hid.



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- Remember to stay on the narrow path that leads to righteousness and Godliness
- Read your Bible, pray everyday if you want grow, obey the commandments of our Lord Jesus and shun evil companions!
- ► Remember God loves you!!!

