

Why Should I Care About Prayer?

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Romans 5

(8) While we were still sinners, Christ died for the ungodly.

Mark 1

(35) Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed.

We have learned how to organize, build institutions, publish books, insert ourselves into the media, develop evangelistic strategies, and administer discipleship programs, but we have forgotten how to pray.

- D. A. Carson

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John 4

*(35) I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields!
They are ripe for harvest.*

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Matthew 6

(9) Our Father in heaven hallowed be your name.

Prayer is the link between an all-powerful supernatural God and the material world.

James 5

(17) Elijah was a man just like us. He prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years. (18) Again he prayed, and the heavens gave rain, and the earth produced its crops.

1 Kings 18

(37) Answer me, O LORD, answer me, so these people will know that you, O LORD, are god, and that you are turning their hearts back again.

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(39) When all the people saw this, they fell prostrate and cried, “The LORD – he is god! The LORD – he is god!”

Isaiah 62

(7) Give the Lord no rest until He completes His work.

Luke 18

(1) always pray and not give up.

To clasp the hands in prayer is the beginning of an uprising against the disorder of the world.

- Karl Barth

“the world lives by these uplifted hands, and by nothing else.”

- Helmut Thielicke

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John 15:1-5

*“I am the **vine**; you are the **branches**. If you **remain** in me and I in you, you will bear much **fruit**; apart from me **you can do nothing**”*

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***John 15:7** "**remain** in me and my words remain in you"*

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Our joy doesn't spring from Jesus giving us
what we want but Jesus being what we want.

- Jon Bloom

Colossians 4

(2) pray without ceasing

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Through prayer, we turn every burden into “Help me,”
every pleasure into “Thank you,” every temptation into
“Deliver me,” and every opportunity for obedience into
“Strengthen me.”

- Scott Hubbard