

DISCOVERING SPIRITUAL MATURITY

PART 11

Making our Prayers Come Alive

Use the model that Jesus gave us.

Matthew 6:9-13 (ESV) Pray then like this: "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. ¹⁰ Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. ¹¹ Give us this day our daily bread, ¹² and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. ¹³ And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

THE SIX PARTS OF PRAYER

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| 1. P _____ | 4. _____ |
| 2. P _____ | 5. _____ |
| 3. P _____ | 6. _____ |

1. PRAISE

2. PURPOSE

Matthew 6:10 (ESV) Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven

PRAYING IN THE WILL OF GOD

Ephesians 3:20 (NIV2011) Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us,

John 5:19 (ESV) So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of his own accord, but only what he sees the Father doing. For whatever the Father does, that the Son does likewise.

3.

PROVISION

I ASK GOD TO PROVIDE FOR MY NEEDS AND THE NEEDS OF OTHERS

¹¹ *Give us this day our daily bread,*

A. What are we talking about? _____

SPIRITUAL

Matthew 4:4 (ESV) *But he answered, "It is written, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."*

PHYSICAL / EMOTIONAL

B. WHO ARE WE TALKING ABOUT? _____

Hebrews 13:16 (ESV) *Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.*

2 Thessalonians 3:10 (ESV) *For even when we were with you, we would give you this command: If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat.*

Ephesians 4:28 (ESV) *Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need.*

C. HOW? _____ IS ACCEPTABLE

¹¹ Give us this day our daily bread,

Like a child? Dependent upon our father
God wants to give us what we need, like any good father.

Philippians 4:19 (ESV) And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.

Romans 8:32 (ESV) He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things?

James 4:2-3 (ESV) You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³ You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions.

Philippians 4:5-7 (ESV) The Lord is at hand; ⁶ do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Psalms 37:4 (ESV) Delight yourself in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart.

How is this different than the Prosperity Gospel?

Prosperity Gospel is asking for _____

Biblical Gospel is asking and prospering to _____

