# Cornerstones Of Faith "Praying"

# Matthew 6:5-15

<u>Prayer</u> can be a Priceless Experience when we know <u>HOW</u> to Do It the Way GOD <u>Intends</u>.

<u>Prayer</u> is a Vital Ingredient in your walk with Jesus.

SIX Biblical ELEMENTS of Prayer we find in the Scriptures.

- 1. WE HAVE AN MODEL FOR PRAYER (Matthew 6:5-15)
- It's <u>BETTER</u> to call this the "<u>Disciple's Prayer</u>."
- The FIRST Three Petitions FOCUS on the GLORY of God.
- The SECOND Three Petitions FOCUS on our PERSONAL Needs.

# 2. WE ARE <u>NOT ALONE</u> IN PRAYER. (Romans 8:26-27)

- Have you Ever Wondered what to SAY to God?
- God's Holy Spirit <u>HELPS</u> <u>US</u> in Prayer.
- Ask the Holy Spirit to Help You "Voice" your Concerns & Needs to God...

## 3. WE MAKE REQUESTS TO GOD IN PRAYER (James 4:2-3)

- Prayer is Our Heart's "Connection" to God.
- When Questions Arise, ask yourself, "Have I ASKED God to HELP in this Area?"
- Many <u>Fail</u> to <u>Receive</u> what God has for us because we <u>Don't</u> Pray.

### 4. WE SEEK RESTORATION IN PRAYER (James 5:15-16)

- The "Prayer of <u>Faith</u>" (Forsaking All I Trust Him) can not only <u>Heal</u> the SICK, it can also <u>Restore</u> the SOUL into fellowship with God.
- It's NOT so much the <u>Prayer</u> but <u>Faith</u> in the <u>GOD</u> of Prayer that <u>Heals</u>, <u>Cleanses & Restores</u> from the <u>Horrible Consequences</u> of sin.

## 5. WE OVERCOME WORRY IN PRAYER (Philippians 4:6-7)

- Philippians gives us the <u>Best Antidote</u> for Worry...<u>PRAYER</u>
- 1.) <u>STOP</u> Worrying & <u>START</u> Praying...
- 2.) Tell God Your NEEDS ...
- 3.) Present Your Requests With THANKS...
- 4.) Receive God's PEACE...

### 6. WE INCREASE IN MATURITY IN PRAYER (Colossians 1:9-11)

- WHEN you Pray...Be Specific
- Paul Prayed Four Specific Requests for the Colossians Believers:

- 1.) Spiritual Insight 2.) A Worthy Walk 3.) Glorious Power 4.) Abundant Joy
  As a believer, <u>Prayer</u> is NOT AN OPTION for you. (Luke 18:1 1 Thess. 5:17)