Beyond Our Wish List: Learning to Pray the Jesus Way

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Key Scripture: Luke 11:1; 18:13; 22:42; Matthew 6:5–10

There are some things we grow **up** with, yet fail to grow **into**.

"Lord, teach us to pray." Luke 11:1

In Matthew 6 we learn what our Lord values and what He does not. Jesus warns us Against:

- Hypocrites:
- Show-offs:
- Babblers:

Why should we even pray?

'This, then, is how you should pray: "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, 10 your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Matthew 6:9-10

The purpose of prayer is surrendering our will to the Father and not imposing it.

- 11 Give us today 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 the evil one.'

Matthew 6:11-13

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This week, pray the Jesus way:

- Be alone with God
- Be Real with God.
- Start with the heavenly father and not you. Declare His greatness and then
- Surrender your will.

Check out these verses this week alone or with your lifegroup:

- I. 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. Mark 1:35
- II. One of those days Jesus went out to a mountainside to pray, and spent the night praying to God. When morning came, he called his disciples to him and chose twelve of them, whom he also designated apostles: Luke 6:12-13
- III. So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me." John 11:41-42
- IV. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to his disciples to distribute to the people. He also divided the two fish among them all. Mark 6:41