

- I. The priority of prayer
 - A. Jesus was a man of prayer
 - B. Disciples of Jesus should learn to pray
- II. The relationship of prayer
 - A. We have a loving Heavenly Father

“For you did not receive a spirit that makes you a slave again to fear, but you received the Spirit of sonship. And by him we cry “Abba’ Father. The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God’s children.” (Romans 8:15-16)

- B. We are invited to talk with God
 - C. We are invited to trust God
- III. The pattern for prayer
 - A. We pray for God’s name to be honored
 - 1. We live this prayer through an obedient life
 - B. We pray for God’s kingdom to come
 - 1. We live this prayer through a surrendered life

“But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.” (Matthew 6:33)

- C. We pray for God’s daily provision

“And my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.” (Philippians 4:19)

- 1. We live this prayer through complete dependence
 - D. We pray for God’s forgiveness for sin
 - 1. We live this prayer through trusting God for forgiveness

“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.” (I John 1:9)

- 2. We live this prayer through forgiving others

“Forgive as the Lord forgave you.” (Colossians 3:13)

- E. We pray for God’s protection

“God is faithful, he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear.” (I Corinthians 10:13)

1. We live this prayer through humble trust in God

“God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.” (Psalm 46:1)