



“The Only Way to Pray” part 5 Nov 24, 2024

- I. Confidence in God
 - A. **1 John 5:14-15**
 1. Heart Check Today:
 - **AM I CONFIDENT THAT GOD HEARS ME?**
 - **AM I CONFIDENT THAT GOD ANSWERS ME?**
 2. Remember, prayer is not just going to God when we need something...
(Jelly Roll... “I only talk to God when I need a favor; and I only pray when I ain’t got a prayer; so who the “blank” am I, who the “blank” am I to expect a Savior if I only talk to God when I need a favor.”)
 - B. What is the common denominator for all prayer? Faith (Confidence in God)!
 1. **Hebrews 11:6** “Without Faith, it is impossible to please God; for he that COMES to God must BELIEVE.....”
 - There is a difference: BELIEVING PRAYER and WISHFUL THINKING.
 - Believing prayer is EXPECTING PRAYER.
 2. **Romans 4:16-21** – Abraham believed in the face of impossible odds
 - **Find the promise...Believe (Be Fully Persuaded) in the Promise...Receive the Promise.**
 - How long does a person need to pray? Answer: Until he receives! (Most people say things like, “Well, I guess it wasn’t God’s will for my prayer to be answered.” – **Know His Will, Pray His Will, Receive His Will.....Stand and Keep on Standing!**
- II. Praying with Results
 - A. Have Faith...Believe!
 1. **Mark 11:22-24**
 2. Utilize the Prayer of Faith....Speak to the problem instead of asking God to move it for you.
 - B. Keep your heart free
 1. From Un-forgiveness, Guilt, and Condemnation (**1 John 3:21-22**)
 2. **Mark 11:25**
 - C. The Power of Worship
 1. “Hallowed be thy name.” - “For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever, Amen.” (Prayer begins with worship and should end with worship.)
 2. **Mark 15:22-25** (Worship changed everything / What is God looking for?)
 - D. Two Powerful Prayers that every believer Must Know and Pray
 1. “Open His Eyes that He may see.” **II Kings 6:17**
 2. “Send forth laborers...” **Matthew 9:37-38**