





vv. 2-4 - Giving $vv. 1-18 \longrightarrow vv. 5-15$ - Praying vv. 16-18 - Fasting

When we pray ...

- 1. Do not be hypocritical (vs. 5).
- 2. Do not seek to be seen while praying (vs. 6).
- 3. Do not use meaningless repetition (vs. 7). Don't pray CRA

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What should we do instead?

- 1. Find a private place to be alone (vs. 6).
- 2. Pray to your heavenly Father in secret (vs. 6).

PSALM 27:8

"You have said, 'Seek my face.' My heart says to you, 'Your face, LORD, do I seek."

PSALM 91:1

"He that dwells in the secret place of the Most High, shall abide under the shadow of the almighty."

Prayer 101

- 1. Express your <u>dedication</u> to God (vv. 9-10).
- 2. Express your dependence on God (vv. 11-13).
 - a. I need You to meet my physical needs (vs. 11).
 - b. I need You to meet my spiritual needs (vv. 12-13).

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(9) "Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name."

Father God, I <u>dedicate</u> myself to You today - help me to glorify You, to preserve Your holy reputation as I represent You in everything that I do.

(10) "Thy kingdom come, thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven." I <u>devote</u> myself to serving You and doing Your will with everything that I have,

(11 - 13)

and Lord, I understand that I am totally <u>dependent</u> on Your grace if I am to do this.



(11) "Give us this day our daily bread"

(12) "And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors"

(12) "and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil"

I need You to meet my physical needs.

I need You to meet my spiritual needs.

And Lord, give me the strength to face any situation that You bring in my path.



(13b) "For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever, Amen."

I completely and whole-heartedly TRUST in Your sovereign control and in Your good, wise and loving care for me and my life. Amen.



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