

Prayer Ministry

Orientation for Asking

Lesson 9

Review: Reason God Answers Prayer.

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

4) _____

How frequently are you trying to give God a reason to answer your prayers?

check one:

_____ Always. I am constantly asking myself the question, "Why should God answer this request?"

_____ Most of the time.

_____ Some of the time.

_____ Seldom. I still need to learn to pray from God's perspective instead of my own.

In this lesson we will discover eight principles that should guide what you ask and the way you ask. This will form the framework for future intercession.

God Invites Asking

What is the major reason for offering prayers that ask things of God? _____

What did Jesus promise to those who ask?

Matthew 7:7 _____

John 14:14 _____

John 15:7 _____

John 16:24 _____

PRINCIPLES OF ASKING

ASK...

1) in the _____

2) with the _____

- 3) in _____
- 4) while _____
- 5) in _____
- 6) in _____
- 7) in _____
- 8) with _____

A New Orientation:

Matthew 5-7

John 14-17

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Ask while Abiding In Christ and in Jesus' Name

The use of Jesus name is not a ritual that produces magical results. It reflects His character and relies on His integrity.

2 Kings 5:20-27

John 15:7, while abiding in Christ.

What does abide mean? to remain, to continue in, to persist, to accept without objection.

What will happen when Christ=s message abides or remains in us over a period of time?

John 8:31 Abiding in Christ is expressed in many ways. Prayer, however, is a means of abiding and also a result of abiding in Christ.

Prayer is as needful and as indispensable to your spiritual life as breathing is to your physical life.

What was Daniel's habit or custom even when it endangered his life?

Dan. 6:10

What was the prayer habit of the newly-born church in Jerusalem?

Acts 2:42

What did the apostles want regarding prayer?

Acts 6:4

What did Paul say to the churches about his frequency in prayer?

Roman 1:9

Col. 1:9

1 Thess. 1:2-3

In your prayer time today work through these issues.

Contemplate and wonder of the person of Jesus. Tell Him briefly, according to your current working knowledge, what each of the following means to you as you reflect on His name:

His being divine (His sinlessness)

His becoming human (His keeping the law perfectly for us)

His miracles (particularly the miracle of conversion.)

His parables (His gentle way of helping us to understand Truth)

His death (He taking our punishment upon Himself)

His resurrection (where the Father shows His satisfaction in Jesus' work)

When you pray in Jesus name, you are praying in the legal name and integrity of the Son of God.