

Prayer Ministry

Asking for Yourself and Others
Lesson 10

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"Be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God" (Philippians 4:6).

Prayer helped!

(Some prayer results)

Review Principles of Asking:

Ask in Jesus' Name

Read John 14:14. Which of the following statements best describes what Jesus meant?

- Anything you want.
- If you have my heart and mind, ask what you will.

Why use His name? _____

John 14:13-14; 15:16; 16:23-24, 26-27

He said that when His people were gathered in His name He would:

1) _____ Matthew 18:20

2) _____ John 14:6

3) _____ Acts 4:12

As we identify ourselves as Christian, His name is our name. The use of that name reflects our taking on His character. This is not a ritual -- it is applicable. Look what happened in Acts. 19:13-17.

Jesus' name identifies our family:

1 Corinthians 1:2

His name is the appropriation of all that God has done for us in Christ. Acts 3:6

When we call on the name of the Lord, we are in line with history. Genesis 4:26;
1 Samuel 12:22

The use and honor of the name of Jesus were important to the New Testament churches.

Ephesians 5:20

2 Thessalonians 1:11-12

The use of His name demonstrates the centrality of Christ in the New Testament era.

When you prepare to make a request in Jesus' name, ask yourself first:
"What would Jesus want in this situation?"

What is accomplished by answering this question? _____

What problem is raised by this question? _____

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Luke 11

2 Thessalonians 1:11-12. Pray this prayer of Paul's for a Christian friend. In place of the pronoun "you," name your friend. Remember that you want Jesus to be glorified in what occurs in your friend's life. Pray it again for another person.

Do Not Use Jesus' Name Carelessly

Using Jesus' name is not ritual with magical results. It reflects your taking Jesus' character and demands integrity.

2 Kings 5:20-27

Acts 19:13-17

The use of Jesus' name is especially serious. When you use it, you are representing Jesus, His kingdom, and His character. That name stands for the person, and the use of a name involves all that the person stands for. You must not use Jesus' name carelessly.

Ask While Abiding in Christ

John 15:7

Abide means: _____

What will happen to our prayer life and our thinking when we abide in Christ?

John 8:31 _____

What are the implications of abiding in Christ? _____

1 Thessalonians 5:17

Name one thing you do without ceasing. _____

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

Daniel 8:10 _____

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

Acts 2:42 _____

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

Romans 1:9 _____

Colossians 1:9 _____

1 Thessalonians 1:2-3 _____

Abiding in the Word of Christ means:

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

What marvelous promise is made regarding results of a life that abides in Christ in John 15:4-5?

Next Month: Model Prayer Requests