

What is Prayer For?

James 5:14-18

I. Prayer is for the Expression of Faith

A. Prayer lets God know you believe in His E_____

and His A_____.

1. Hebrews 11:6.

2. Genesis 3:8.

B. Prayer lets God know you T_____ Him.

1. Matthew 21:22.

2. Mark 11:24.

II. Prayer is for Worship

A. Worship ascribes W_____ to God.

1. Our English word means _____.

2. "Worship" = _____.

B. Examples.

1. Isaiah 6:3.

2. Psalm 150:2.

3. Matthew 6:9.

C. Prayers of worship are simply telling God how W_____

He is - Nehemiah 9:7-8 & Ephesians 3:20-21.

III. Prayer is for Confession

A. You are to confess your sins to receive F_____

- I John 1:9.

B. Examples.

1. II Samuel 24:10.

2. Nehemiah 1:7.

IV. Prayer is for Thanksgiving

A. I_____ is a mark of the ungodly - Romans 1:21.

B. You are encouraged to thank God for T_____!

1. Colossians 3:17.

2. I Thessalonians 5:16-18.

V. Prayer is for Request

A. Prayer is request for your N_____ & the N_____ of others.

B. What has God offered you? - Matthew 6:31-33

C. In the light of this offer, what does He want you to do?

1. P_____ needs - Matthew 7:7.

2. The need of the world to have W_____ - Matthew 9:38.

D. What gives prayer real power? - Matthew 18:19