

Sermon Notes
March 8, 2017
Lenten Vespers: Jesus Prayers

WHAT DOES JESUS SAY ABOUT PRAYER?

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| 1. Matt. 6:5 | Pray to God (alone, real conversation) |
| 2. Matt.6:7 | Pray not to impress |
| 3. Matt. 6:9-15 | Pray then like this... <i>Our Father</i> |
| 4. Matt. 5:44 | Pray for enemies who hurt/use us |
| 5. Matt. 7:7-11; Lk 11:9-13 | Pray for the Spirit & Good Things |
| 6. Luke 11:5-8 | Pray with Perseverance |

HOW DOES JESUS PRAY?

1. Mark 1:35-38
In the Morning -- Calling; Direction of Ministry
2. Matthew 14:23; Luke 6:12-16
At Night -- Alone time, Leadership Decisions
4. Matthew 11:25-30
In the midst -- Gives Thanks for God's work in his followers
5. Matthew 14:13-21
In a crowd -- Loaves and Fishes; Caring, Providing, Helping
3. Matthew 27:46
On the Cross -- Psalm 22:1, forsaken!!
6. John 17; Matthew 26:36-46;
Upper Room & Garden: The Last, Anxious Night
-- Prays for his own faithfulness;
-- Prays for the Church to (Jn.17)
 - *be protected from evil (11-12, 14-15),*
 - *know Christ's joy (13),*
 - *be changed by the truth (17-19);*
 - *unity with God/each other as powerful witness (11, 20-24);*
 - *have God's love in us (25-26)*

John 17

¹After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; **glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you,** ²since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him.

³And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.

⁴ *I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do.*

⁵ *So now, **Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.***

⁶"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word.

⁹I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. ¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them.

¹¹And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, **protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.**

¹³But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves.

¹⁷Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ²¹that they may all be one...

²³so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.

²⁶so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

The Lord's Prayer -- Matthew 6:9-13...pray in this way

Our Father in heaven,

- *Your* name be hallowed/honored
- *Your* kingdom come.
- *Your* will be done -- on earth as in heaven.

Give us -- this day our daily bread.

And forgive us -- our debts

(as we also have forgiven our debtors).

And do not bring us to the time of trial --

(but rescue us from the evil one).

- for Yours is the kingdom the power and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.
- 6:14-15: For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you; but if you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

JESUS & PRAYER

Matthew 6:5-7, 9ff

⁵“And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. ⁶But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. ⁷“When you are praying, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do; for they think that they will be heard because of their many words. ⁹“**Pray then** in this way: *Our Father in heaven, etc. etc.*

John 14:13

¹³I will do **whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son.**

Luke 11:5-13

⁵And Jesus said to them, “Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; ⁶for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.’ ⁷And he answers from within, ‘Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.’ ⁸I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at **least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.** ⁹“So I say to you, **Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you.** ¹⁰**For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened.** ¹¹Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? ¹²Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? ¹³If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, **how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!**”

Matthew 5:44

⁴⁴But I say to you, Love your enemies and **pray for those who persecute you,**

Mark 1:35-38

³⁵**In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed.** ³⁶And Simon and his companions hunted for him. ³⁷When they found him, they said to him, “Everyone is searching for you.” ³⁸He answered, “Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do.”

Matthew 14:23

²³**And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray.** When evening came, he was there alone.

Luke 6:12-13

¹²**Now during those days he went out to the mountain to pray;** and he spent the night in prayer to God. ¹³And when day came, he called his disciples and chose twelve of them, whom he also named apostles.

Matthew 11:25-27

²⁵At that time Jesus said, **“I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth,** because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

Matthew 14:14-21

¹⁴When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. ¹⁵When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.” ¹⁶Jesus said to them, “They need not go away; you give them something to eat.” ¹⁷They replied, “We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.” ¹⁸And he said, “Bring them here to me.” ¹⁹**Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds.** ²⁰And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. ²¹And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Matthew 27:46

⁴⁶And about three o’clock Jesus cried with a loud voice, **“Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?” that is, “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”**

Psalm 22:1 -- My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from helping me, from the words of my groaning?

Matthew 26:36-41

³⁶Then Jesus went with them to **a place called Gethsemane;** and he said to his disciples, **“Sit here while I go over there and pray.”** ³⁷He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be grieved and agitated. ³⁸Then he said to them, “I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me.” ³⁹And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed, **“My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet not what I want but what you want.”** ⁴⁰Then he came to the disciples and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, “So, could you not stay awake with me one hour? ⁴¹Stay awake and **pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.”**