



LIFE ON THE EDGE Radio Bible Study #21: Prayer

Intent of Study: To show that prayer is powerful, effectual, and necessary for the disciple of Christ.

Focus It: Jesus wants to hear and answer our prayers. He shows us in His Word that there are conditions upon which our prayers are heard.

1. Luke 18:1-7
2. Matthew 5:6
3. Psalm 66:18
4. Isaiah 59:1,2 (Psalm 1:18)
5. Hebrews 11:6
6. Mark 11:24
7. Mark 11:25,26
8. Matthew 6:12
9. James 5:16
10. Psalm 55:17
11. Philippians 4:6
12. James 4:3

13. Matthew 7:7
14. 1 John 5:14,15

Recognizing our NEED is the first step in being certain that our prayers are heard:

1. **Luke 18:1-7**--This widow had a need.
2. **Matthew 5:6**—Hunger and thirst...shall be filled.

Ask Forgiveness for all known sin:

3. **Psalm 66:18**—“If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear *me*.”
4. **Isaiah 59:1, 2 (Psalm 1:18)**—Iniquities separate us from God.

The next condition we must comply with in order for our prayers to be heard is faith.

5. **Hebrews 11:6**—Without faith it is impossible to please God.
6. **Mark 11:24**—Believe that you will receive the asked for blessings.

We must forgive others:

7. **Mark 11:25, 26**
8. **Matthew 6:12**—Forgive us our debts...our debtors.

Persevere:

9. **James 5:16**—“the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.”
10. **Psalm 55:17**—Evening, Morning, Noon
11. **Philippians 4:6**—Let God know everything.

Ask for an unselfish purpose:

12. **James 4:3**—You ask amiss...
13. **Matthew 7:7**—Ask and we will receive.

Ask according to God’s Will:

14. **1 John 5:14, 15**—If we ask according to His Will He will hear us!

Appeal:

- Haven’t you always wanted your prayers to be heard?
- You do not have to worry anymore about whether or not Jesus hears your prayers.
- Is it your desire to apply these conditions to your life and watch God answer your prayers?

Simple Questions and Simple Answers:

- Matthew 6:7—Vain Repetitions
- Can I pray directly to God or must I go before a priest?
 - John 14:6
 - Matthew 6:6
- Laying Down: Isa. 38:1, 2; 2 Sam. 12:16-20
- Standing: Neh. 2:4; 2 Chron. 6:12, 14; Mark 11:25
- Kneeling: Luke 22:41; Daniel 6:10
- Sitting: 2 Samuel 7:18; Matthew 15:35, 36