

INSIGHTS INTO THE LIFE OF CHRIST (Paul E. Engle 3/23)

Session #9 The Prayer Life of Jesus

INTRO.

1. What percentage of Americans claim to have prayed at least once in the last 3 months? _____ Hidden behind this statistic?
2. George Buttrick wrote that to some people prayer seems “*a splash of words lost in a cosmic indifference.*”
3. What’s a good reason to keep praying to the triune God? _____

I. JESUS MODELS IN HIS OWN LIFE _____

A. Jesus prayed at _____ Lk. 3:21-22

* What was the content of Jesus’ prayer to the Father? _____

B. Jesus also prayed when _____ (Luke 5:16)

Luther _____ Lancelot Andrews _____ Charles Simeon _____ Whitfield _____

C. Jesus prayed alone when _____

D. Jesus prayed in the presence _____

Lk. 9:18, 22

E. Jesus prayed _____ Luke 9:28-29

1. Why did Jesus pray at this time? _____
2. Notice how the prayer was answered—Jesus was transfigured. The preposition *as (en)* in v. 29 denotes _____
3. What kind of pivot? _____

F. Jesus prayed when the commissioned 72 disciples _____

Luke 10:21

G. Jesus prayed publicly in front of _____ **providing** _____

Luke 11:1

H. Jesus prayed prior to his crucifixion when alone in Garden of Gethsemane.

(Luke 22:39-46)

1. Location: _____
2. Who was with him? _____
3. Why did he need to remind the disciples to pray? _____

4. Christ’s prayer shows what? _____
5. Notice how Luke uses expressions to show the earnestness of the prayer. (v.44). a. _____ b. _____ c. _____

I. Christ prayed _____ Luke 24:30-31.

II. WHAT DOES JESUS TEACH US ABOUT PRAYER? (From Luke’s Gospel)

A. Jesus teaches us to pray _____

* Luke 6:38. Cf. Luke 23:34

B. Jesus teaches us a pattern in the Lord's Prayer (Luke 11:1-4) How many words in Greek? _____

1. The foundation of our prayer life is _____ (v.9a)
2. The structure of our prayer house – notice a series of six petitions: _____

C. Jesus teaches us to be _____ in prayer: Seen in parables: Luke 11:5-10.

1. What does this parable teach us about praying?

a. **Lesson by similarity:** _____

b. **Lesson by contrast:** _____

2. **Also this lesson is seen in the parable of Luke 18:1-8**

* Story of George Muller

D. Jesus teaches us to pray knowing that the Father _____

– Luke 11:11-13

= What does it mean to ask for Holy Spirit?

E. Jesus teaches us the importance of _____ when praying
(Lk. 18:9-14)

***What if I asked you about your prayer life: Rate? _____**

What Jesus Models and Teaches about Prayer in the Gospel of Luke: How Do I Measure Up?

Lk. 2:21-22; 9:28-29; 22:39-46	Do I automatically turn to the triune God at all the important events in my life?	
5:16	Do I take the time to withdraw alone to pray?	
6:12-13	Do I pray before making important decisions?	
10:21	Do I pray as a way to respond to occasions of joy?	
24:30-31	Do I pray at meal times?	
6:38	Do I pray for those who mistreat me?	
11:1-4	Do I pray first with attention given to God-centered requests rather than just for my personal needs?	
11:5-10; 18:1-8	Do I pray with persistence without giving up?	
11:11-13	Do I pray with confidence that God is a Father who won't deceive or disappoint me?	
18:9-14	Do I pray with humility without looking down on other people?	

