

Prayer Helps

The MUSTs of Prayer

1. Be for God's Glory
2. Not be selfish or carnal in nature
3. Enforce the fact that sin dishonors God
4. Be through the Spirit's intercession (if we pray according to God's will)
5. Be faith produced by the working of the Holy Spirit
6. Pray in agony to obtain the blessing
7. Pray till the answer comes
8. Pray much to be effective
9. Be offered in Christ's name
10. Be in conjunction with renunciation of sins
11. Be in conjunction with the study of God's Word
12. Be in conjunction with Biblical teaching
13. Be humble
14. Be bold
15. Be in unity with a body of believers
16. Be offered in simplicity and unceasing

The OBJECTS of Prayer

1. Ourselves Gen. 24:12, Matt. 14:30, Luke 23:42
2. One another James 5:16, Romans 1:9
3. Pastors Eph. 6:19-20, Col. 4:3
4. Sick Believers James 5:14-15
5. Rulers (Leaders) I Tim. 2:1-3
6. Our Enemies Matt. 5:44, Acts 7:59-60
7. Israel Ps. 122:6, Is. 62:6-7
8. All Men I Tim. 2:1

The REASONS For Prayer

1. God repeatedly commanded us to do so – I Sam. 12:23, Rom. 12:12, Col. 4:2, I Thess. 5:17 I Tim. 2:8
2. The example of Christ – Heb 5:7
3. The example of the early church – Acts 1:14, Acts 2:42, Acts 6:4, Acts 12:5
4. The example of Paul – Acts 9:10-11, Acts 16:25, Acts 20:36, Acts 21:5, Rom. 10:1
5. Prayer defeats the Devil – Luke 22:32 I Pet. 4:7
6. Prayer saves the sinner – Luke 18:13
7. Prayer restores the backslider – James 5:16
8. Prayer strengthens the saint – Jude 20
9. Prayer sends forth laborers – Matt. 9:38, Acts 13:2-3
10. Prayer heals the sick – James 5:13-15
11. Prayer glorifies God's name – Rev. 5:8, Rev. 8:2-4
12. Prayer accomplishes the impossible – Matt. 21:22, Mark 9:29, Acts 12:5-7, James 5:17-18
13. Prayer gives good things – Ps. 102:17, Matt. 7:7-11
14. Prayer imparts wisdom – James 1:5
15. Prayer bestows peace – Phil. 4:5-7
16. Prayer keeps one from sin – Matt. 26:41
17. Prayer reveals the will of God – Luke 11:9-10

The HINDRANCES of Prayer

1. Unconfessed Sin (Ps. 66:18)
2. Insincerity (Matt. 6:5)
3. Carnal Motives (James 4:3)
4. Unbelief (James 1:5-6)
5. Satanic Activity (Dan. 10:10-13)
6. Domestic Problems (I Pet. 3:7)
7. Pride (Luke 18:10-14)
8. Robbing God (Mal. 3:8-10)
9. Refusal to Submit to Biblical Teaching (Prov. 1:24-28)
10. Refusing to Forgive or Be Forgiven (Matt. 5:23-24)
11. Refusing to Help the Needy (Prov. 21:3; I John 3:16-17)