## "The Divine Call Unto Righteousness: Righteous Praying-Part 2"

### Matthew 6:5-15

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## I. The Diving **Warning** Against **Hypocritical** Praying

- a. Hypocrites Pray to be <u>Seen</u>
- b. Hypocrites Pray to Persuade
- II. The Divine **<u>Command</u>** for **<u>Righteous</u>** Praying
  - a. Righteous Praying is **Commanded** Praying

Matthew 5:44 "But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you;"

Matthew 26:40-41 "And he cometh unto the disciples, and findeth them asleep, and saith unto Peter, What, could ye not watch with me one hour?  $\frac{41}{2}$  Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed *is* willing, but the flesh *is* weak."

1 Thessalonians 5:17 "Pray without ceasing."

Jeremiah 33:3 "Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not."

### b. Righteous Praying is **<u>Regular</u>** Praying

1 Thessalonians 5:17 "Pray without ceasing."

Philippians 4:6 "Be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God."

Martin Luther "To be a Christian without prayer is no more possible than to be alive without breathing."

Richard Baxter "Prayer is the breath of the new creature."

Thomas Brooks "The best Christian is he that is the greatest monopolize of time for private prayer,"

John Bunyan "Pray often; for prayer is a shield to the soul, a sacrifice to God, and a scourge for Satan."

### \*Righteous praying is **Regular** Praying\*

c. Righteous Praying is **Single-minded** Praying

MacArthur "The most important secret He sees is not the words we say in the privacy of our room, but the thoughts we have in the privacy of our heart."

Luke 22:39 "And He came out and proceeded as was His custom to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples also followed Him" NASB

Matthew 18:20 "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

Acts 1:14 "These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication, with the women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brethren."

Acts 2:42 "And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers."

Romans 8:28 "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to *his* purpose."

Ephesians 3:20 "Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,"

d. Righteous Praying is <u>Confident</u> Praying

A.W. Pink "It should be understood that this knowledge of our Father is far more than a bare cognition of our wants: it is such a solicitation for our welfare that ensures the supply of every needed thing."

# IV.The Application of **Priority**

- a. To Make Prayer a Priority We must Find the Right Motive
- b. To Make Prayer a Priority We Must Find the Right Place
- c. To Make Prayer a Priority We Must Find the Right Time