

HOW TO MAKE CONTACT WITH GOD
WHAT EVERY CHRISTIAN NEEDS TO GROW - Part 2 of 4

Matthew 6:5-15

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1. _____

When you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by men. (vs. 5)

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2. _____

But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. (vs. 6)

3. _____

Don't recite the same prayer over and over as the heathen do, who think prayers are answered only by repeating them again and again. Remember, your Father knows exactly what you need before you ask Him! (vs. 7-8 LB)

WHAT TO SAY WHEN I MAKE CONTACT WITH GOD

"This, then, is how you should pray..."

1. **PRAISE: I GIVE GOD** _____

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. (vs. 9)

2. **PURPOSE: I GIVE GOD** _____

Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. (vs. 10)

3. **PROVISION: I GIVE GOD** _____

Give us today our daily bread. (vs. 11)

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

Phil 4:6

4. **PARDON: I GIVE GOD** _____

Forgive us our debts (sins)... (vs. 12a)

5. **PEOPLE: I GIVE GOD** _____

... as we also have forgiven our debtors. (vs. 12b)

For if you forgive men when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their sins, your Father will not forgive yours. (vs. 14-15)

6. **PROTECTION:**

I GIVE GOD _____

...and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from the evil one. (vs. 13)

Cast your cares on the LORD and he will sustain you; he will never let the righteous fall. Psa. 55:22

7. **POWER: I GIVE GOD** _____

OUR Father... give US ... OUR daily bread ... forgive US ... OUR debts ... as WE have forgiven OUR debtors ... lead US not into temptation ... deliver US ..."

Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working. James 5:16 (ESV)

I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything you ask for, it will be done by my Father in heaven. For where two or three come together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.

Matt. 18:19-20