

## VII. The Gospel Momentum in Evangelism: Prayer

### A. Christ's Two Schools of Prayer

#### 1. *The First School: The Lord's Prayer (Mt. 6:9ff)*

- a. The Threefold Universal Focus of ALL Prayer
  1. The Name of God: "The Canopy of Holiness"
  2. The Kingdom of God: "Climbing the Hill of Souls"
  3. The Will of God: "Climbing the Hill of Holiness"
- b. The Threefold Personal Process of ALL Prayer
  1. Daily Provision: The "Climbing Logistics"
  2. Daily Forgiveness: "Deficient Soldiers"
  3. Daily Protection: "Weak Soldiers"
- c. The Threefold Unshakable Ground of ALL Prayer
  1. The Kingdom of God: "Sovereignty"
  2. The Power of God: "Enablement"
  3. The Glory of God: "Beauty"

**Note the Structure of the Lord's Prayer:**

**GOD, GOD, GOD / Me, Me, Me / GOD, GOD, GOD!**

#### 2. *The Second School: The Syro-Phoenician Woman (Mt. 15:21ff)*

- a. The Four Petition Phases of the Woman
  1. Her Intolerable Burden
  2. Her Utter Despair
  3. Her Total Surrender
  4. Her Unwavering Faith
- b. The Four Response Phases of the Lord Jesus
  1. NO Answer at all
  2. His Answer: NO
  3. His Explanation of the Answer: No
  4. His Immediate Answer: YES
- c. The Four Principles of Authentic Prayer
  1. An "Opening" Prayer Phase: The Woman
  2. The Step by Step Coaching: Jesus' Guidance From Phase 1 through Phase 4
  3. The Progressive Learning Curve: The Woman
  4. The Grand Outcome: The Woman and Jesus

**Note an Amazing Reality:**

A Gentile Woman (!) displays the internalized content of Jesus' First School. She prays (1) for God's Kingdom to defeat the Realm of Darkness "personified" in her daughter, thus (2) providing both of them with their daily provision (3) through her rocklike faith in the Power vested in Jesus as "the Son of David!"

## B. The Blueprint of Biblical Prayer

### I. The Four "Pillars" of Biblical Prayer: "When, What, Why and Where?"

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| 1. When  | : Kingdom Entrance | : Mercy       | (Gen. 32:26; Lk. 18:13)   |
|          | Kingdom Fabric     | : Mercy       | (Gen. 18:23; Lk. 18:1)    |
| 2. What  | : Throne room      | : Communion   | (Lk. 6:12; Phil. 4:6)     |
|          | Thanksgiving       | : Sufficiency | (Eph. 5:20; 1 Th. 5:18)   |
| 3. Why   | : From Nothing     | : "The Below" | (1 Ki. 18:43; John 15:5)  |
|          | To Everything      | : "The Above" | (1 Ki. 18:45; Phil. 4:13) |
| 4. Where | : Personal         | : Private     | (Mt. 6:6; Acts 2:21)      |
|          | Church             | : Public      | (Acts 4:24)               |

### II. The Twelve "SPARKPLUGS" of Biblical Prayer

#### a. Six Foundational Prerequisite Parameters

1. Starting point: The New Heart (The Heart of the King) (Jer. 29:13)
2. Ground: The Name of Jesus (The Name of the King) (John 14:13-14; 16:23-24)
3. Content: The Word of God (The Word of the King) (John 15:7; 1 John 5:14)
4. Origin: The Holy Spirit (The Spirit of the King) (Eph. 6:18; Jude 20)
5. Fabric: Holiness (The Holiness of the King) (Jam. 4:3; 5:16)
6. Fire Hearth: "Small Groups" (The Body of the King) (Mt. 18:19-20; Acts 13:2)

#### b. Six Personal Requisite Hallmarks

7. Mindset: Humility (The Humility of the King) (Ps. 40:8-10, 12; Is. 64:5-9; Jer. 14:7; Heb. 5:16)
8. Nucleus: Confidence (The Confidence of the King) (Hab. 2:1; Mt. 21:22; Jam. 1:5-7)
9. Heartbeat: Fervency (The Fervency of the King) (Ps. 63:1; Jer. 29:12-13; Rom. 12:11-12; 15:30; Jam. 5:16)
10. Resolve: Without Ceasing (The Persistence of the King) (Dan. 6:10; Lk. 18:1, 7; Rom. 12:12; Eph. 1:16; 1 Th. 3:10; 5:17; 1 Tim. 5:5)
11. Dynamism: Urgency (The Urgency of the King) (Ps. 38:22; 66:19-20; 95:7-8)
12. Harmony: Consensus (The Alliance of the King) (Mt. 18:19; Phil. 2:2; Rom. 15:30)

### III. Four "Practicals" of Biblical Prayer

1. Five Types of Prayer: ((F.)A.C.T.S.)
2. Models of Prayer: (Jesus, Daniel, Nehemiah, Anna, Paul, Luther, Hyde, Korea)
3. Two Resistors to Prayer: Historical (Lk. 18:8) and Personal (Rom. 7:19)
4. Literature: Thomas Brooks, *The Vital Importance of Private Prayer*; E.M. Bounds, *Power through Prayer*; A. Murray, *With Christ in the School of Prayer*; Austin Phelps, *The Still Small Voice*; Leonard Ravenhill, *Revival Prayer*; George Mueller, *Answers to Prayer*.