

How to Develop the Power of Personal Prayer

IDEAS SUMMARIZED FROM BRO. ROGER LEWIS CLASS

ALL RELATIONSHIPS ARE BASED UPON COMMUNICATION.

EACH PRAYER SHOULD BEGIN WITH OFFERING PRAISE. PRAISING GOD AND RECOGNIZING HIM FOR HIS OWN GREATNESS —APART FROM ALL THAT HE'S DONE FOR US.

MORNING PRAYER: THE JOY OF A FRESH START AND ENERGY OF A NEW BEGINNING BEFORE GOD. COMFORT FOR A DAY PREVIOUS THAT HAS NOT GONE WELL. QUIETUDE AND SOLITUDE OF THE MORNING PRAYER STARTS WITH PRAISE AND APPRECIATION FOR A NIGHT OF SAFE SLEEP.

FOCUS: PETITION

- DISCIPLINE TO REMAIN SPIRITUALLY FOCUSED AMONGST THE DISTRACTIONS OF OTHER CARES.
- PRAY FOR FAITH TO REMAIN SEPARATE FROM THE AFFAIRS OF THE WORLD. WE START OFF THE DAY CLOSE TO OUR GOD AND WALK OUT INTO A WORLD THAT IS SO LOUD AND NOISY AND SO UTTERLY DIFFERENT THEN GODLY THINKING.
- PRAYER FOR PETITION TO GROW IN THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE WORD THAT DAY.
- PRAYER FOR COURAGE TO STAND FOR TRUTH IN AN AGE OF EVIL.
- PRAYER FOR ZEAL TO MAINTAIN THE PURITY AND LOVE FOR THE TRUTH.
- PRAYER FOR STRENGTH TO OVERCOME WEAKNESS AND AVOID TEMPTATION.
- PRAYER FOR HUMILITY TO AVOID PRIDE AND REMAIN TEACHABLE.
- PRAYER FOR BALANCE TO DEVELOP THE WHOLE CHARACTER OF CHRIST IN OUR LIVES.

NOON PRAYER: AMIDST THE HUSTLE AND BUSYNESS OF THE DAY, DIVINE PRINCIPALS CAN SO EASILY RECEDE OR BE FORGOTTEN. THE HEAT AND BURDEN OF LIFE AS TRIALS AND TROUBLES PUSH DOWN UPON US.

FOCUS: ADORATION — A REMINDER THAT WHATEVER WE ARE DOING, WHETHER SOME MUNDANE THING AROUND THE HOUSE OR OFFICE THE REALITY OF LIFE IS MANIFESTING THE FATHER AND THINKING OF HIS PURPOSE WHICH WE HAVE BEEN GRACIOUSLY ASKED TO BE A PART OF.

- PRAISE FOR THE WONDER OF HIS PURPOSE
- PRAISE FOR THE GREATNESS OF HIS POWER
- PRAISE FOR THE OMNISCIENCE OF HIS WISDOM — A GOD WHO KNOWS ALL THINGS
- PRAISE FOR THE MANIFESTATION OF HIS LOVE
- PRAISE FOR THE SUPREMACY OF HIS CONTROL — THAT ALL THINGS ARE IN HIS HANDS
- PRAISE FOR THE SOVEREIGNTY OF HIS AUTHORITY

EVENING PRAYER: REFLECTION OF THE DAY, TRANQUIL CALM OF REST AFTER EFFORT. THAT TIME WHEN KIDS ARE IN BED, BIBLE READINGS AND PRAYERS ARE OVER, TEETH BRUSHED, LIGHTS OFF, DOORS SHUT AND PARENTS BREATHE A SIGH OF RELIEF "IT'S OVER!"

FOCUS: CONFESSION

- CONFESSION OF OUR DEPENDENCE ON HIM — LIFE, BREATH, HEALTH, STRENGTH, FOOD, SHELTER, WISDOM OF THE TRUTH, COUNSEL OF HIS WORD
- CONFESSION OF OUR FAILURE TO UNDERSTAND HIS WORD, TO TAKE OPPORTUNITIES, TO BE CHANGED
- CONFESSION OF OUR SINS
- CONFESSION OF OUR NEED FOR FORGIVENESS AND ATONEMENT

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS — SO SPECIAL THEY ARE BEST TREATED BY MEANS OF INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS. THEY TALK US OUT OF THE SMALLNESS OF OURSELVES INTO THE LARGENESS OF SUPPORT AND NURTURE OF OTHERS.

- PRAYERS FOR INDIVIDUALS IN NEED, THOSE WHO ARE SICK OR IN PAIN, THOSE UNDER TRIAL OR STRESS, THOSE WHO ARE WAYWARD OR WEAK, THOSE WHO ARE WEARY THROUGH AGE, THOSE WHO STRUGGLE IN THEIR WALK, THOSE WHO ENDURE LONLINESS
- PRAYERS FOR MEMBERS OF YOUR FAMILY
- PRAYERS FOR ECCLESIA AND BROTHERHOOD AT LARGE
- PRAYERS FOR LEADERS IN ECCLESIA AND THOSE IN AUTHORITY
- PRAYERS FOR PREACHERS IN FOREIGN LANDS
- PRAYERS FOR ISRAEL AND THE CITY OF JERUSALEM

PRAYERS FOR MEALS

PRAYERS FOR BIBLE READINGS

PRAYERS FOR TRIPS

PERSONAL PRAYER AS A PERSONAL POWER 😊