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What Jesus Taught About Prayer Part 7

In the sermon today we will learn that the Bible teaches there are different kinds of prayers for different purposes. We will also learn what Jesus taught about the prayer of faith and the prayer of agreement.

1. Different kinds of prayer – Ephesians 6:18
   1.1 The Bible teaches there are different kinds of prayer and each different type of prayer have different purposes and different spiritual laws that govern each kind of prayer.

2 The prayer of faith

   2.1 The prayer of faith is the most commonly used prayer. The prayer of faith is a prayer you pray for yourself to receive what God has provided for you. When we pray the prayer of faith, we believe we receive when we pray, and therefore only pray one time. There is no "if" in the prayer of faith. Some think you have to say *if it be your will* at the end of every prayer. The word *if* is only used in the prayer of consecration to God's will. Luke 22:42

3 How do we pray the prayer of faith?

   3.1 Find and meditate in scriptures that promise what you are asking for – 1 John 5:14-15, Jeremiah 1:12, Romans 10:17

   3.2 Ask the Father in the name of Jesus – John 16:23-24

   3.3 Believe you receive – Mark 11:24

   3.4 Reject every doubtful thought – James 1:5-8

   3.5 Let every statement after you pray be a confession of your faith – Mark 11:23

4 The Prayer of Agreement - Matthew 18:19

   4.1 When praying for someone else to receive, their will and faith has a part.

   4.2 Must know what the other person wants you to agree in prayer about.

   4.3 Must agree God heard and granted the thing prayed for.

Conclusion: The prayer of faith is one kind of prayer. We pray the prayer of faith for ourselves to receive what God has provided, we believe we receive when we pray, and we only pray it once. For your prayers and faith to work for someone else, you must agree in prayer.

Discussion Questions:

1. Who do you pray the prayer of faith for?
2. How do you pray the prayer of faith?
3. What is required for the prayer of agreement to be successful?