

Praying the Prayer of Faith

1. Religion has taught us to pray and hope God might answer.
2. The Bible talks differently about the prayer of faith.
 - A. **Mt 21:22**, *"And all things; whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer believing, ye shall receive."*
 - B. **Mk 11:24**, *"There I say unto you, what things so ever ye desire when ye pray, believe that ye receive them and ye shall have them."*
 - C. **John 15:7**, *"If ye abide in me, and my word abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you."*

A few truths to assist us to pray the prayer of faith.

- I. **REALIZE THE PRAYER OF FAITH IS GOD'S DESIGNATED CHANNEL TO HELP HIS CHILDREN IN ALL WAYS.**
 - Therefore one must learn to pray the right way - in faith.
- II. **PERSONAL CHECK**
 - UP PRIOR TO PRAYING IN FAITH.
 - 1 - **Godward**: Ps 66:18, *"If I regard iniquity (sin) in my heart, the Lord will not hear me."* - *Simply a repentant heart, not excusing and justifying life now living.*
 - 2 - **Man ward**: Mt 6:14-15, *"For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you: But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses."*
 - Simply a forgiving heart, not excusing and justifying self.
- III. **PROPER CONCEPT OF GREATNESS OF GOD:**
 - Introducing three scriptures removes the limits.
 - Small request in lack or trust in God.
 - Only prayer for big things shows self-confidence.
- IV. **PROPER MOTIVES MUST BE PRESENT:**
 - 1 - All prayers should have God's kingdom in mind as the supreme purpose not just your own need.
 - 2 - Mt 6:33, *"But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."*
- V. **DISCIPLINED LIFE TO DEVELOP FAITH FOR PRAYING:**
 - 1 - Faith does not just happen.
 - 2 - Faith is not easily and quickly developed or all would pray in faith,
 - 3 - Faithfulness in **Rom 10:17**, *"So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." Until faith comes forth.*
 - You do not set the time.
 - Usually it's too late to try and develop when needed. (EX) Buy insurance at time of wreck?
 - A time to work must be more important than job, house work or anything else.
- VI. **THE END-TIME ARMY OF BELIEVERS WILL BE FAITHFUL FAITH MEN AND WOMEN.**

Your choice to commit.