

Let us Pray

Four Pillars of Prayer

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Four Fundamental Truths About Prayer

1. God loves _____.

Psalms 103:13 ^{TLB} – “He is like a father to us, tender and sympathetic to those who reverence him.”

1 John 5:14-15 ^{TLB} – “And we are sure of this, that he will listen to us whenever we ask him for anything in line with his will. And if we really know he is listening when we talk to him and make our requests, then we can be sure that he will answer us.”

i. Prayer is a _____, not a _____.

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2. God listens _____.

Hebrews 10:22 ^{GNT} – “Let us come near to God with a sincere heart and a sure faith...”

_____ PRAYER IS NOT _____ PRAYER.

Matthew 6:6-7 ^{NCV} – “When you pray, don't be like those people who don't know God. They continue saying things that mean nothing, thinking that God will hear them because of their many words. Don't be like them, because your Father knows the things you need before you ask Him.”

3. God likes _____.

Jeremiah 33:3 ^{MSG} – “Call to me and I will answer you. I'll tell you marvelous and wondrous things that you could never figure out on your own.”

Matthew 7:11 ^{TLB} – “And if you hard-hearted people know how to give good gifts to your children, won't your Father in heaven even more certainly give good gifts to those who ask him for them?”

4. God longs _____.

Isaiah 30:18 ^{TLB} – “The Lord waits for you to come to him so he can show you his love; to bless you, just as he said. For the Lord is faithful to his promises. Blessed are all those who wait for him to help them.”

Hosea 6:6 ^{TLB} – “I don't want your sacrifices – I want your love; I don't want your offerings – I want you to know me.”

John 15:15 ^{GNT} – “I do not call you servants any longer. Instead, I call you friends...”

Job 29:4 ^{CEV} – “In the prime of life, God was my closest friend”

How do I get Closer to God?

1. You _____ it.

2. You _____ it.

Psalms 25:14 ^{TLB} – “Friendship with God is reserved for those who reverence him. With them alone he shares the secrets of his promises.”

James 4:8 ^{TLB} – “When you draw close to God, God will draw close to you.”

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