

The Need to Pray?

- Do we need to pray?
 - God wants us to talk to Him
 - Cast our cares upon Him – I Pet. 5:7
 - Do not worry...pray – Phil. 4:6-7
 - For those who spitefully use us –
Matt. 5:44
 - For kings, authorities – I Tim. 2:1-2
 - For each other – Rom. 1:9, Eph. 6:18
 - For our food – I Tim. 4:5
 - For forgiveness from our sins –
I Jn. 1:9

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 - We should pray as often as we can
 - **Dan. 6:10** – Prayed three times a day
 - **Col. 4:2** – “Continue” in prayer, thanksgiving, be vigilant
 - **Luke 18:1-7** – Do not grow weary
 - It is a gift from God
 - “What is man...” **Psalm 8:3-4**

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- **Verse 1** – Pray in the morning; ask for loving favor (grace) as a shield for the day ahead
 - “*Sue*” – to make petition or appeal
- **Verse 2** – Pray in time of anger; forgive easily and quickly
- **Verse 3** – Pray during times of trial and distress
 - “*Balm of Gilead*” – See Jer. 8:22
- **Chorus** – Praying rests the weary

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“Where there is much faith, there is also much prayer; where there is little faith, there is little prayer; and where there is no faith, there is no prayer.”

Benjamin Franklin

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