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SERMON SERIES: The Necessity of Prayer'
Today: Praying like Jesus prayed
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## **INSIGHTS**

- 1. **KNOW THIS:** What <u>you do in the morning before you leave home</u> is more important than everything else you do during the day.
- 2. **KNOW THIS:** More work is done by prayer than by work itself.
- 3. **KNOW THIS**: Prayer is the medium through which man discovers what God has already done in the unseen, so that he can give heaven permission through his faith to manifest it on earth
- 4. **KNOW THIS**: Prayer is coming into union with God's mind.
- 5. **KNOW THIS**: God desires not to talk to you but to think to you!
- 6. KNOW THIS: 99% of the time, God will speak to your mind through your spirit
- 7. KNOW THIS: When you have an important decision to make, pray and fast.
- 8. **KNOW THIS**: Prayer is <u>not automatic</u>

# JESUS' PATTERN OF PRAYER

- 1. 'Our'
- 2. 'Father'
- 3. 'In heaven
- 4. 'Hallowed' be your name
- 5. 'Your kingdom come, your will be done'
  - O James 5:16 (NIV) \*\*\* pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.
- 6. 'Give us day by day our daily bread
- 7. 'Forgive us our sins, for we also forgive
  - o Matthew 6:14-15; Matthew 5:23-24 (NIV)
  - o Galatians 5:6 (NIV) 6".... The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love.
- 8. 'Do not lead us into temptation'
- 9. 'Yours is the kingdom, power and the glory forever'

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### **NEXT STEPS THIS WEEK: ASK YOURSELF:**

- 1. Do I seek an intimate relationship with the father on a daily basis
- 2. Are my prayers heartfelt expressions of communion with God or more like a shopping list or rote repetition
- 3. Am I being effective in my life and ministry so that Gods will and kingdom are being done on earth

#### TO DO

- Over the next few weeks, increase the time you spend with God in prayer each day in order to build a relationship of intimacy with him
- Use Jesus, model of prayer as a guideline for your prayers. Take each step and personalize it so that it is a heartfelt expression of your growing relationship with God

