

Prayerwalking



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Prayerwalking In Jesus' Name

Believers are to pray in the name of Jesus:

“And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son” (John 14:13).

“If you ask anything in My name, I will do it” (John 14:14).

“You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit; and that your fruit should remain, that whatever you ask the Father in My name He may give you” (John 15:16).

“And in that day you will ask Me nothing. Most assuredly, I say to you, whatever you ask the Father in My name He will give you” (John 16:23).

“Until now you have asked nothing in My name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full” (John 16:24).

These words of Jesus compel us to pray “in His name.” The way that we approach our heavenly Father is in the name of

Jesus. The petitions we make of Him are to be in His name.

Praying In Jesus' Name

What does it mean to pray in His name?

- *It is praying for that which will glorify God.* Just as Jesus was consumed by a passionate desire to glorify God, your praying must be characterized by a passionate desire to ask for that which will honor and glorify God.
- *It is praying that rests on and relies in the person and work of Jesus.* You pray and ask of God based on who Jesus is and what He has done. His merit opens the door for you to seek the Father.
- *It is praying that flows out of obedience to the Word of God.* It is asking of God as you seek to understand and obey Jesus.
- *It is praying in the way that Jesus would pray.* It is asking the question, “What would Jesus pray for this person or in this situation?”

Praying in Jesus' name extends to prayerwalking. When we prayerwalk, we are to hit the streets as representatives of Jesus praying in His name.

The Pursuit Of Christlikeness

We need to understand that prayerwalking in the name of Jesus requires the intense pursuit of Christlikeness. If you are going to pray like Him, you must become like Him. The following prayer guide is offered to help you plead for this. In order to grow in your ability to pray, as He would, ask for:

□ *The mind of Jesus Christ*

"Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus" (**Philippians 2:5**).

Plead with the Holy Spirit to create the mind of Christ in you. Ask Him to enable you to think like Jesus. Pray that His thoughts and desires will become yours.

□ *The eyes of Jesus Christ*

"But when He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion for them, because they were weary and scattered like sheep having no shepherd" (**Matthew 9:36**).

Pray that the Holy Spirit will help you see what Jesus sees. Ask that you will see the needs and hurts of people. Call on Him to help you see the spiritual needs of people.

□ *The heart of Jesus Christ*

"For the Son of Man has come to seek and save that which was lost" (**Luke 19:10**).

Ask the Holy Spirit to create Christ's heart for the lost in you. Plead that you will

have a burning passion to help and witness to those who need Jesus Christ.

□ *The knees of Jesus Christ*

"Now in the morning, having risen a long while before daylight, He went out and departed to a solitary place, and there He prayed" (**Mark 1:35**).

Pray that you will seek the Father as Jesus did. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you grow in your dependence of the Father through prayer.

□ *The feet of Jesus Christ*

"Then He said, 'Behold, I have come to do Your will, O God'" (**Hebrews 10:9**).

Plead with the Holy Spirit to help you walk in the path of God's will. Jesus obeyed His Father's will. Call on the Holy Spirit to empower you to obey the Father.

□ *The character of Jesus Christ*

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Against such there is no law" (**Galatians 5:22-23**).

The fruit of the Spirit is the character of Jesus. Pray that the Spirit will manifest and cultivate the fruit of the Spirit in your life. In this way, you can grow in Christlike character. This will help you gain insight on how to pray as Jesus did.

□ *The submission of Jesus Christ*

"Then Jesus answered and said to them, 'Most assuredly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of Himself, but what He sees the Father do; for whatever He does, the Son also does in like manner'" (**John 5:19**).

Jesus was completely submissive and obedient to the Father's will. He spoke and acted only as the Father led him. How we desperately need this aspect of Jesus' life! Learning to pray in His name requires that you develop the same humble and submissive spirit. Plead with the Holy Spirit to do this in your life.

Praying in the name of Jesus means pursuing Christlikeness. Will you begin to plead for these things in your life? One of the ways that you might consider praying for these things is to divide them up according to the days of the week. There are seven areas listed above. Assign each area to a particular day. For instance, on Monday you could pray for the mind on Jesus Christ. On Tuesday, you could ask for the eyes of Jesus Christ. You could do this for the rest of the week.

Adoring The Son Of God

Another way to develop your ability to pray in His name is to adore Jesus. It is to spend time praising Him and exalting Him for who He is and for what He has done. As you do this, your mind is instructed to His ways and purposes. Your heart is filled with gratitude. In addition, your will is broken and molded to the will of God. These things are crucial to learning to pray as Jesus would.

The following is a list of areas that you can use to praise and adore Jesus. This list or the Scripture references is by no means exhaustive. However, it is intended to help you get started adoring Him and becoming like Him. Read the

Scriptures and develop your praise from the truth that is revealed about Him.

- *His Virgin Birth*-**Matthew 1:16, 18, 20, 24-25; Luke 1:35, 3:23**
- *His Humanity*-**John 1:14; Philippians 2:7-8; Colossians 1:22, 2:9; Hebrews 2:14-17; I John 4:2, 2 John 7**
- *His Deity*-**Matthew 10:40, 11:27; John 8:58, 10:30, 36, 20:28; 2 Corinthians 4:4; Hebrews 1:3; 1 John 5:20**
- *His Sinlessness*-**Matthew 27:3-4; John 7:16-18, 8:29, 46, 50; Romans 15:3; 2 Corinthians 5:21; Hebrews 1:9; Hebrews 4:15**
- *His Death*-**John 3:16, 19:30; Acts 17:3, Philippians 2:8; Hebrews 2:14; Peter 3:18; Revelation 5:12**
- *His Ascension and Exaltation*-**Psalm 110:1; John 6:62; Acts 2:33, 5:31, 7:55; Ephesians 1:19-22; Philippians 2:9-10; Hebrews 12:2; 1 Peter 3:23**
- *His Resurrection*-**Matthew 28:5-7; Luke 24:5-7; John 20:26-27; Acts 2:24; Romans 6:4; Hebrews 13:20**
- *His Intercession*-**Romans 8:34; Hebrews 7:25; 1 John 2:1**
- *His Return*-**Matthew 25:31; 1 Corinthians 1:8; 1 Thessalonians 3:13, 4:13-17; Titus 2:13; 1 Thessalonians 5:2.**
- *His Offices*-
 - Your Prophet*: **Luke 24:19, John 7:40; Acts 3:22**
 - Your Priest*: **Psalm 110:4, Hebrews 2:17, 3:1, 4:14, and 6:20**
 - Your King*: **1 Timothy 6:15; Revelation 17:14, 19:16**
- *His Lordship*: **Romans 10:13, Acts 2:36, 10:36, 15:11, 16:31**

Asking The Master Intercessor

The Word of God reveals that Jesus lives now to make intercession, "Therefore He is also able to save to the uttermost those who come to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them" (**Hebrews 7:25**). He prayed while on earth. He now intercedes at the right hand of the Father. Jesus is the master Intercessor.

Since He is the master Intercessor, you can plead with Him to teach you how to pray like He would. You can ask Him to grant you the ability and insights to pray as He would. Plead with Jesus to teach you.

"Jesus, You are the master Intercessor. Fervent and faithful prayer characterized your life. You are now interceding at the right hand of the Father. I plead with You to teach me how to pray. Lord Jesus, help me pray as You would. Grant me the insights and power to pray for people and situations as You would. Remove anything from my life that would hinder me from doing this. Transform my prayer life. Amen."

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