

## **Principles Of Prayer**

Put some P.O.P into your Christian walk

**...one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray. And he said unto them, When ye pray, say, Our Father which art in heaven...Luke 11:1-2**



“Pattern Of Prayer” - (Thirteenth in the series)

There are many patterns of prayer to help us remember what to pray for. Many use the ACTS pattern: **A**-Adoration and praise, **C**-Confess your sins and ask forgiveness, **T**-Thanksgiving, **S**-Speak your needs. Pastor Wayne has taught on the Hand Prayer—Starting with the thumb-Praise, Thanksgiving, Intercession, Petition, Confession, and in the palm, Listen.

There is no better person than Jesus to advise us on how to pray. His disciples heard Him praying once and it must have been so impressive that they asked Him to teach them how to pray. And He gave them what we know as The Lord’s Prayer. I have put together a pattern that may help us remember what we are praying when we use The Lord’s Prayer.

This is the P-R-A-Y-E-R pattern: **P**-Praise God and acknowledge His sovereignty, “**Our Father which art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name**”. **R**-Release your will to His, “**Thy kingdom come Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven**”. **A**-Ask for your needs to be met, “**Give us this day our daily bread**”. **Y**-Yield to forgiveness, “**And forgive us our sins as we forgive those who have sinned against us**”. **E**-Enter into God’s protection, “**Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil**”. **R**-Reaffirm God’s power and glory, “**For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever**”. Amen.

Jesus said to pray this way. He knows what He’s talking about. He regularly spent many hours alone with God in prayer and that’s a good example. Read the Word - pray, pray – read the Word. That’s the only way we can become the people God wants us to be; loving, compassionate, giving, full of faith, powerful, confident, and effective in bringing His kingdom and His will to the earth as it is in Heaven. Amen!

