



1. Prayer is a _____ more than a _____.

Psalms 37:4 CSB Take delight in the LORD, and he will give you your heart's desires.

2. Prayer is a not a _____ calling for only a _____ of people. God wants to hear from you and talk with you!

John 15:7-8 NLT But if you remain in me and my words remain in you, you may ask for anything you want, and it will be granted! **8** When you produce much fruit, you are my true disciples. This brings great glory to my Father.

- Effective prayer is based on _____ and our _____ with God.
- Working together with God in prayer to get _____ is part of being a _____ believer / follower of Jesus.

3. We have many kinds of prayers like we have different kinds of sports. Each sport has its own rules. However, some abilities will help in any kind of sport. The same is true in prayer. Different kinds of prayer have different purposes. All prayer has some common aspects.

WE PRAY:

- In _____

John 16:23-24 23 NLT At that time you won't need to ask me for anything. I tell you the truth, you will ask the Father directly, and he will grant your request because you use my name. 24 You haven't done this before. Ask, using my name, and you will receive, and you will have abundant joy.

- In _____ with God (because of the blood of Jesus)

Heb.10:19 NLT And so, dear brothers and sisters, we can boldly enter heaven's Most Holy Place because of the blood of Jesus.

Eph.2:13 NLT But now you have been united with Christ Jesus. Once you were far away from God, but now you have been brought near to him through the blood of Christ.

- Approach God without _____ and with _____

Heb.4:16 NLT So let us come boldly to the throne of our gracious God. There we will receive his mercy, and we will find grace to help us when we need it most.

- In _____

Phil.4:6 NLT Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done.

- With the _____ of the _____

Romans 8:26 AKJV Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.

- According to _____ (according to His Word)

I John 5:14-15 NLT And we are confident that he hears us whenever we ask for anything that pleases him. **15** And since we know he hears us when we make our requests, we also know that he will give us what we ask for.

- In _____ (expect answers, results)

James 1:5-8 If you need wisdom, ask our generous God, and he will give it to you. He will not rebuke you for asking. 6 But when you ask him, be sure that your faith is in God alone. Do not waver, for a person with divided loyalty is as unsettled as a wave of the sea that is blown and tossed by the wind. 7 Such people should not expect to receive anything from the Lord. 8 Their loyalty is divided between God and the world, and they are unstable in everything they do.

2 Cor. 5:7 For we live by believing and not by seeing.