

## PRAYER-Part Eight-More Helps for Organizing Our Prayer Time

One of the sources I've been consulting is UNDERSTANDING THE PURPOSE AND POWER OF PRAYER, by Dr. Myles Munroe. He posits these steps for prayer. Just as the format given to us by Jesus in "the Lords' Prayer," Dr Munroe gives us steps that were included in that prayer along with a few more considerations. These are aids to developing and, even, organizing our prayer time. He says:

- 1) Become Silent Be still and gather yourself . Mathew 6:6 – But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou has shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly; Psalm 46:10 Be still, and know that I am God.....
- 2) Give Adoration: Worship God (In Lord's Prayer)
- 3) Make Confession (According as the Spirit speaks)
- 4) Give Thanks (LP)
- 5) Make Supplication (LP)
- 6) Specify Petitions and Requests: bring evidence of God's will and word, intentional communication
- 7) Secure the Promises: Present God's promises with your prayer, and hold on to those promises
- 8) Plead the Case: pray, not begging, but as one who rightfully deserves the answer based on God's promises. Luke 18:1-5; Numbers 23:19
- 9) Believe (pray the prayer of faith, believing God at the time of your asking Mk.11:22-24
- 10) Give Thanks: that its already done
- 11) Live in expectation (even anticipate the answers to prayer by preparing the way for them.
- 12) Practice Active Belief: Don't stop after you have prayed; get up and look for what you asked for.

Dr. Munroe says: "Prayer is the expression of man's dependency upon God for all things

These are suggestions for organizing our prayer time. Helps.