



The Super, Wonderful, Amazing, Mysterious, Magical, World of Prayer

Part 1

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“Once Jesus was in a certain place praying. As he finished, one of his disciples came to him and said, ‘Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.’”

Luke 11:1 (NLT)

WHAT IS KEEPING ME FROM A SUPER, WONDERFUL, AMAZING, MYSTERIOUS, MAGICAL PRAYER LIFE?

**1. PRAYER IS ALMOST ALWAYS _____ WITH
OUR _____.**

Then Jesus went back to his followers and found them asleep. He said to Peter, "You men could not stay awake with me for one hour? Stay awake and pray for strength against temptation. The spirit wants to do what is right, but the body is weak."

Matthew 26:40-41 (NCV)

"Epaphras, who is one of you and a servant of Christ Jesus, sends greetings. He is always wrestling in prayer for you, that you may stand firm in all the will of God, mature and fully assured."

Colossians 4:12 (NLT)

2. PRAYER GETS _____ IN OUR PRESSING _____.

"Young women don't forget their jewelry, do they? Brides don't show up without their veils, do they? But my people forget me. Day after day after day they never give me a thought."

Jeremiah 2:32 (MSG)

3. PRAYER DOESN'T ALWAYS _____ WITH _____.

“And this is the boldness we have in God's presence: that if we ask God for anything that agrees with what he wants, he hears us. If we know he hears us every time we ask him, we know we have what we ask from him.”

1 John 5:14-15 (NCV)

4. PRAYER IS _____ BECAUSE OF OUR _____.

“In the same way, you husbands must give honor to your wives. Treat your wife with understanding as you live together. She may be weaker than you are, but she is your equal partner in God's gift of new life. Treat her as you should so your prayers will not be hindered.”

1 Peter 3:7 (NLT)

5. PRAYER IS _____ WHEN OUR WRONG _____ GET IN THE WAY.

“They come to the Temple every day and seem delighted to learn all about me. They act like a righteous nation that would never abandon the laws of its God. They ask me to take action on their behalf, pretending they want to be near me.

‘We have fasted before you!’ they say. ‘Why aren’t you impressed? We have been very hard on ourselves, and you don’t even notice it!’

‘I will tell you why!’ I respond. ‘It’s because you are fasting to please yourselves. Even while you fast, you keep oppressing your workers. What good is fasting when you keep on fighting and quarreling? This kind of fasting will never get you anywhere with me.

Isaiah 58:2-4 (NLT)

“The kind of fasting you do won't get your prayers off the ground.”

Isaiah 58:4 (MSG)

“And even when you ask, you don’t get it because your motives are all wrong—you want only what will give you pleasure.”

James 4:3 (NLT)