

## The Lord's Prayer-An Introduction

### Matthew 6:5-8

Jesus focuses on the proper \_\_\_\_\_ and attitude of prayer before He gets to the actual content of prayer

1. Humility and \_\_\_\_\_ are necessary components to acceptable prayer to the Lord

-Prayer is not for \_\_\_\_\_ -exaltation

-Instead, one must pray with their focus simply on \_\_\_\_\_ with the Lord

-Prayer is not about the mere performance of a \_\_\_\_\_

-Prayer is not about being in the right \_\_\_\_\_ space or manifesting the right physical posture

-One must know \_\_\_\_\_ and the Lord rightly to pray

2. \_\_\_\_\_ is necessary for prayer to be acceptable to the Lord

-First, we must have faith in God's \_\_\_\_\_ -

-Second, we must have faith in God's revealed \_\_\_\_\_

## Quotes:

*Because Jesus is the author of the prayer in this passage, its undoubtedly the greatest and best prayer. -Martin Luther*

*As the moral law was written by the finger of God, so this prayer was dropped from the lips of the Son of God...Let us have great esteem of the Lord's prayer, let it be the model and pattern of all our prayer...Surely we pray according to God's will when we pray according to the pattern He set before us. -Thomas Watson*

*A mere 57 words in the original Greek of Matthews gospel, it manages to gather up all of life and bring it before God. -Darrell Johnson*

*Because it (Lord's Prayer) taught all things which relate to character, whereby we rightly live, are to be asked of Our Father in heaven, and that to presume on the strength of our free-will is to fall from grace. -Augustine*

*He who made us to live taught us also to pray. -Cyprian*