

# JESUS CHRIST LIVING GOD



*Author of Life - Promised Messiah - Savior of the World*

## How to Pray



*to the author of life*

### HOW TO PRAY

Jesus teaches us 'how to pray' in [Matthew 6:5-13](#) (NLT) ...

*"When you pray, don't be like the hypocrites who love to pray publicly on street corners and in the synagogues where everyone can see them. I tell you the truth,*

*that is all the reward they will ever get. But when you pray, go away by yourself, shut the door behind you, and pray to your Father in private. Then your Father, who sees everything, will reward you. When you pray, don't babble on and on as the Gentiles do. They think their prayers are answered merely by repeating their words again and again. Don't be like them, for your Father knows exactly what you need even before you ask him! Pray like this: Our Father in heaven, may your name be kept holy. May your Kingdom come soon. May your will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us today the food we need, and forgive us our sins, as we have forgiven those who sin against us. And don't let us yield to temptation, but rescue us from the evil one."*

### **Key Points Addressed ...**

1/ **Pray in private** ... by yourself ... in your room with door closed ... or perhaps as you're taking a nice walk ... and when we do this in secret, God sees and knows all things and will bless you accordingly.

2/ **Don't babble on and on** ... repeating the same things over and over again ... it is unnecessary ... [God is our friend](#) and enjoys our chats and fellowship – and also in [Revelation 3:20](#) we are told: “Look! I stand at the door and knock. If you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in, and we will share a meal together as friends,” ... so how much greater still ... a friend as a born-again child of God ... joint heir and brother/sister to His Son, our Savior?

3/ **God knows everything** and exactly what we need before we ask Him ([Matthew 6:8/32](#)) “your Father knows exactly what you need even before you ask him!” – He knows your needs before you know you have a need.”

4/ **Make your prayer PERSONAL** ... take ownership of your prayers ... meaning ... **Personal Address** .... Talk to God/Jesus/Holy Spirit ... not at him OR about him, but to Him as with any friend ... while ALWAYS giving thanks for all things in Jesus name ([Ephesians 5:20](#)), KNOWING that He hears and answers our prayers as soon as we pray + adds encouragement for new strength - [Psalm 138:3](#).

**FOR EXAMPLE** \* [Proverbs 3:5-6](#) says: “Trust in the LORD with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding. Seek his will in all you do, and he will show you which path to take.” His understanding not ours; His path not ours!

So, to begin and end your day, personalize something such as the following to help keep your faith strong using the same true and living power source that not only spoke our world into being – placed the heart into our chest – but more so, raised His Son, our Lord & Savior from the dead ([Ephesians 1:19-20](#)).

### **PRAYER SUGGESTION | IDEA TO MODEL AFTER**

Heavenly Father, thank you for all things in Jesus name

Thank you, Jesus for hearing and answering my prayers.

May Your name be kept holy

Thank you that your Kingdom will come soon

Thank you that your will be done, here on earth, as it is in heaven.

Thank you for providing the food, and all provisions needed today

Thank you for [Matthew 6:8](#) confirming you know my needs before I do

Thank you for forgiving my sins, [never to be remembered again](#), as I too, forgive those who sin against me

Thank you that you keep me far from temptation – that you deliver me from the evil one and all his minions and from all demonic influence, challenges, and attacks against me daily

Thank you for all things – for always hearing and answering my prayers, with encouragement and new strength ... according to your promise in [Psalm 138:3](#) ... thank you, Jesus for what you have done, are doing, and will do, amen!

Thank you that I can pray it, believe I have received it, and so shall it be ([Mark 11:24](#))