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## **Sermon Connection Bulletin**

# "Steps to Answered Prayer" Sunday, October 15th, 2017



### STEPS TO ANSWERED PRAYER NOTES:



#### <u>Sermon</u>: "Steps to Answered Prayer" Sunday, October 15h, 2017 <u>John 15:7 (NKJV)</u> – "If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what

you desire, and it shall be done for you."

**Ephesians 6:18 (NLT)** – "**Pray** in the Spirit at all times and on every occasion. Stay alert and be\_persistent in your **prayers** for all believers everywhere."

**Philippians 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."

1 Thessalonians 5:17 (NLT) - "Never stop praying."

WHAT IS PRAYER?: Prayer is...

- Prayer is man giving God the legal right and permission to interfere in earth's affairs. Prayer is man giving heaven earthly license to influence earth.
- Prayer is a terrestrial license for celestial interference. Prayer is man exercising his legal authority on earth to invoke heaven's influence on the planet.
- Prayer is proof that your trust God. **Proverbs 3:5 6 (KJV)** "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths."
- Prayer is the expression of man's relationship with God and participation in His purposes. Prayer is an expression of mankind's unity and relationship of love with God. An expression of mankind's affirmation of and participation in God's purposes for the earth.
- PRAYER IS SIMPLY HAVING CONVERSATIONS AND COMMUNICATING WITH GOD, AND ALLOWING THESE CONVERSATIONS WITH GOD TO HAVE A PRI-ORITY PLACE AND ROLE IN YOUR DAILY LIFE AS A CHRISTIAN BELIEVER.
- Friends, Prayer is not just an activity, a ritual, or an obligation. It is communion and communication that touches God's heart. **PRAYER IS PRACTICING THE PRES**-ENCE OF GOD! PRAYER IS THEREFORE NOT AN OPTION FOR MANKIND BUT A NECESSITY! IF WE DON'T PRAY, HEAVEN CANNOT INTERFERE IN EARTH'S AFFAIRS. IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT WE TAKE RESPONSIBILLY FOR THE EARTH AND DETERMINE WHAT HAPPENS HERE BY OUR PRAYER LIVES!
- Heaven needs you to give it license to impact earth. You can make a difference and change the course of history if you will just understand the purpose and power of prayer.
- We must pray in a way that embodies the principles God has given us in His Word.
- Prayer is communication with God believing and receiving what He has already given to us in Jesus. "Many are the plans in a man's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails" Proverbs 19:21-22

#### STEPS TO ANSWERED PRAYER:

- <u>STEP #1</u>: Decide What You Want From God (<u>James 1:5-8</u>)
- <u>STEP #2</u>: Read Scriptures That Promise the Answer You Need (<u>Joshua 1:8</u>)
- <u>STEP #3</u>: Ask God for the Things You Want (<u>Matthew 7:7-8</u>)
- <u>STEP #4</u>: Believe That You Receive (<u>Mark 11:23-24</u>)
- **STEP #5**: Refuse To Doubt (James 4:7)
- <u>STEP #6</u>: Meditate on the Promises (<u>Proverbs 4:20–22</u>)
- <u>STEP #7</u>: Give God the Praise (Philippians 4:6)

#### NOTES: