

## Discipleship Discussion Series—Prayer—B.E.S.T. (8)

(B.E.S.T. Belief Evaluation, Sessions and Topics)

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This is a compilation of some of the Scriptures about the topic, with a brief summary.

Please check the Scriptures to be sure of accuracy.

The # column is for easier reference.

B is the number of the Book as it is listed in the Bible.

Book, C, V, and V is for the Bible Book, the Chapter, the first Verse and, if needed, an end Verse.

Prayer is a conversational relationship with Our Father, Jesus and Holy Spirit.

It is meant to be a dialogue.

God would have us share, reveal and ask, as well as listen, receive, and obey guidance.

We are to be transformed by the renewal of our minds [Romans 12:2].

We can renew our minds by evaluating our beliefs according to Scripture.

Do you believe the following statements?

### By Bible Book Order:

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1	1	Genesis	3	9	13	Define		Prayer is conversation with God.
2	1	Genesis	4	26		How	Name	We are to call on the name of the Lord.  “...Then people began to call upon the name of the Lord.”
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7	9	1 Samuel	2	1		How to pray	Rejoicing	We can at times, pray with rejoicing.  “Then Hannah prayed and said, “My heart rejoices in the Lord; My horn is exalted in the Lord, My mouth speaks boldly against my enemies, Because I rejoice in Your salvation.”
8	9	1 Samuel	15	22		Ask and Obey		Obedying and listening is better than sacrifice and the fat of rams.
9	11	1 Kings	19	11	12	Ask and Obey		God speaks to us in a gentle way.
10	12	2 Kings	4	32	37	Healing	Resurrection	We could pray for resurrections.  Elisha prayed for a boy who had died, and the boy was raised from death.
11	14	2 Chronicles	7	14		How to pray		We are to humble ourselves when we pray.
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13	14	2 Chronicles	7	14		How to pray		We are to seek God’s Face when we pray.
14	19	Psalms	5	8		Ask and Obey		We can ask God to make His way straight before us.
15	20	Proverbs	3	5	6	Ask and Obey		We are to trust in the Lord with all our hearts, lean not into our own understanding, in all our ways acknowledge Him, that is submit to Him, and He will make our paths straight.
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28	40	Matthew	6	9	13	How to pray		Jesus gave us a template for prayer in the Lord's Prayer.
29	40	Matthew	6	10		Ask and Obey		We are to invite God's Will to be done on earth as it is in Heaven.
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41	40	Matthew	18	20		How to pray		Where two or more are gathered in Jesus' Name, God is with us.
42	40	Matthew	21	21		Ask and Obey		If we have faith and do not doubt, what we say will be done.
43	40	Matthew	21	22		Ask and Obey		If we believe, we will receive whatever we ask for in prayer.
44	40	Matthew	26	36	46	Ask and Obey		Allowing for a "Gethsemane Reason." Jesus prayed to have the cup of suffering removed, but said He wanted God's Will, not His own Will, to be done. God Our Father did not answer this prayer because He had what could be called a Gethsemane Reason.
45	42	Luke	3	21		When to pray		Examples of Jesus Praying—while being baptized Jesus prayed as He was being baptized.
46	42	Luke	5	16		How to pray		Examples of Jesus Praying—in solitude This passage says that Jesus would often slip away to the wilderness to pray.
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48	42	Luke	18	1		How to pray		We are to be persistent in prayer.
49	42	Luke	22	39	46	Ask and Obey		Examples of Jesus Praying—in a time of challenge In all four Gospels (Biographies) of Jesus, Jesus prayed before He was arrested. Here is Luke’s account. Jesus prayed fervently, and in agony, to not have to be crucified, and yet, He chose to do God’s Will.
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52	44	Acts	1	14		How to pray	Community	We are to join together constantly in prayer.
53	44	Acts	1	24	26	Decisions	Guidance	We could pray for clear guidance in a decision.  The Followers of Jesus prayed for God to show them who should replace Judas; they drew lots and the lot fell to Matthias.
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