



# MORE ABOUT JESUS PART 7

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## WHAT PRAYER IS

1. What 3 things separate Christianity from all other world religions?
  - \_\_\_\_\_ [Ephesians 2:8–9]
  - the \_\_\_\_\_ of all evil [Nahum 1:9]
  - \_\_\_\_\_ [Luke 18:1]
2. What are 4 examples of unconditional prayer?
  - \_\_\_\_\_ prayer [Psalm 34:4]
  - \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ [Psalm 51:1–3]
  - Prayers of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ [Revelation 5:12]
  - One of God's favorite kind of prayer, \_\_\_\_\_ prayer [Exodus 32:31–32]
3. What are 4 examples of conditional prayer?
  - Special \_\_\_\_\_ for special \_\_\_\_\_ [1 John 5:14–15; James 5:13–16]
  - A prayer for \_\_\_\_\_ [Psalm 32:8]
  - \_\_\_\_\_ with God [Joel 2:17; Isaiah 1:18]
  - \_\_\_\_\_ prayer [Matthew 14:21–23]
4. T/F Spending time in prayer listening for a relationship with Jesus is just as important from God's perspective as getting answers is from ours.
5. T/F Those sincerely seeking God [though falling and failing] are always heard. [Psalm 66:18 vs. Mark 9:33–34; Matthew 26:31–32; John 21:15–17]
6. Why is prayer as important to our spiritual lives as breathing is to our physical lives?  
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One big breath in the morning along with some little breaths at mealtime is not sufficient to sustain life. In 1 Thessalonians 5:17, Paul says to "pray continually." Sounds a bit like breathing doesn't it?

Perhaps that's why some Christian authors refer to prayer as the "Breath of the soul." Could prayer be as important to our spiritual life as breathing is to our physical life?

Since the basis of Christianity is friendship with Jesus, prayer is communicating with God as we would with a friend. Share with Jesus your wants, your joys, your sorrows, your cares, and your fears. Cast all your anxiety on Him because He cares for you [1 Peter 5:7].

- Begin each session with prayer - maybe something like this: "Lord, help me to come to know you better as we spend time together..."
- Read the passage - several times noticing as many details as you can.
- Imagine the setting - put yourself in the picture. Try to imagine the sounds, smells, sensations.
- Summarize the passage - in your own words.
- Apply the passage - what message is God giving you?
- Meditate and pray - meditate on how this passage makes Jesus more real. Talk to Him about the passage and about using the information you have learned.
- Daily Bite Passages for This Week

John 8:1-7  
John 8:8-11  
John 8:12-20  
John 8:21-30  
John 8:31-41  
John 8:42-47  
John 8:48-58