

# Prayer Ministry

*The One To Whom We Pray*  
Lesson 3

- I. Opening
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Two types of people who pray:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

Three categories of Prayers:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

strength: a. \_\_\_\_\_

b. \_\_\_\_\_

weakness: a. \_\_\_\_\_

b. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

strength: a. \_\_\_\_\_

b. \_\_\_\_\_

weakness: a. \_\_\_\_\_

b. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

strength: a. \_\_\_\_\_

b. \_\_\_\_\_

weakness: a. \_\_\_\_\_

b. \_\_\_\_\_

The Goal of Prayer: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Prayer Begins With Awe and Reverence**  
(Isaiah 6:1-8)

Successful prayer begins with: \_\_\_\_\_

How do we identify God? \_\_\_\_\_

God is also transcendent -- \_\_\_\_\_

What will genuine awe and reverence produce in us? \_\_\_\_\_

**The Names of God**

What names have you been called? \_\_\_\_\_

What do those names teach us? \_\_\_\_\_

In the Bible, God is specifically referred to with three different names for three different purposes.

God (Elohim) \_\_\_\_\_

Lord (Adonai) \_\_\_\_\_

Lord (Jehovah) \_\_\_\_\_

*Jehovah* implies many things about God:

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"I AM"

The Bible translations show the difference in Adoni and Jehovah.

Adonai:

Jehovah:

Read the Scriptures and match them with the name or names of God used.

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|-----------------------|-------|---------------|
| 1. God (Elohim)       | _____ | a. Jer. 31:34 |
| 2. Lord (Adonai)      | _____ | b. Gen. 8:1   |
| 3. LORD (Jehovah)     | _____ | c. Jud. 6:15  |
| 4. Both Lord and LORD | _____ | d. Exo. 4:10  |

**Compound Names:** In the Old Testament the Holy Spirit saw fit to reveal various aspects and insights about the Living God to whom we pray. Look up the following passages and record below some of these revelations:

Genesis 22:14 \_\_\_\_\_

Exodus 15:26 \_\_\_\_\_

Exodus 17:15 \_\_\_\_\_

Leviticus 20:8 \_\_\_\_\_

Judges 6:24 \_\_\_\_\_

Psalms 23:1 \_\_\_\_\_

Jeremiah 23:6 \_\_\_\_\_

Ezekiel 48:35 \_\_\_\_\_

The Ezekiel passage is especially promising to the Christian. Why might that be?

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### God Almighty

El Shaddai is one of the earliest and most powerful revelations of God's name in all of the Bible. The word El is the singular form of Elohim. The word Shaddai suggests an inexhaustible

resource or bounty. So the name El-Shaddai means the one who supplies perfectly. Job is the only book to use El Shaddai extensively (31 times). The name was not used often after God gave Moses the name Yahweh. To a certain extent Yahweh replaced the name el Shaddai. While Paul uses the name Almighty for God occasionally, John refers to God in Revelation as "Almighty" nine times, once again giving a sense of the power of God in the final vision.

### **Names of Jesus**

The names of Jesus show you the many different relationships you may have with Jesus. Consider these names when you pray. Remember, Jesus is the one who brings us to the Father. It is in Jesus that we know God.

### **John's "I AM's"**

Look up the following passages and see how Jesus describes Himself.

John 6:25-58 \_\_\_\_\_

John 8:12 \_\_\_\_\_

John 10:1-10 \_\_\_\_\_

John 10:11-18 \_\_\_\_\_

John 11:17-44 \_\_\_\_\_

John 14:5-14 \_\_\_\_\_

John 15:1-17 \_\_\_\_\_

What do all these names of Jesus describe? \_\_\_\_\_

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### **Additional Names Jesus**

John 3:2 \_\_\_\_\_

Acts 10:42 \_\_\_\_\_

Hebrews 3:1 \_\_\_\_\_

Revelations 19:16 \_\_\_\_\_

### **Other Relationships to Jesus**

Read John 15:12-17. Here Jesus describes the relationship of friends.

What is Jesus' work in the relationship? \_\_\_\_\_

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What is the friend's responsibility? \_\_\_\_\_

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Hebrews 2:11 \_\_\_\_\_

### **The Bible Teaches us to Walk in Fellowship with God**

Mary's prayer example:

Read Luke 1:39-58 and notice Mary's statements about God. Look more closely at verses 47-55, the Magnificat, and then write down her understanding of God.

verse 47: \_\_\_\_\_

verse 49: \_\_\_\_\_

verse 50: \_\_\_\_\_

verse 51: \_\_\_\_\_

verse 52: \_\_\_\_\_

verse 53: \_\_\_\_\_

verse 54: \_\_\_\_\_

As you begin your prayer time, use the prayer of Mary as guide to praise God.

Think of some things you have in common with God (a common outlook, desire). As you continue to pray, ask God to give you more things in common in the mind of Christ.

Remember the ultimate goal of prayer is fellowship with God. Knowing God and His Names bring us a long way toward Biblical intimacy with the Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier.

How To Mark Your Bible: (suggestions)

- A. Underline key phrases
- B. Special phrases
- C. Bracket longer phrases
- D. Circle Key Words
- E. Titles for outlines or Studies
- F. Box memorized passages
- G. Very significant verses, (next too)
- H. Favorite Verses