

“Lord, Teach Us to Pray”

“Lord, teach us to pray...” (Luke 11:1).
What a simple request, and yet how profound!
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FOCUS: “Lord, teach us to pray.” We have so much to learn, Lord, and You have so very much to teach us. Let us begin.

1. Lord, Teach Us About _____ Prayer.
 - Jesus prayed for His needs, but He made time to pray for others’ needs too.
 - **Philippians 2:3-4**
 - According to one source, the word “serve” appears 309 times throughout the books of the Bible. And here are some things that Jesus shared concerning Himself.
 - “For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.” – **Mark 10:45 (NIV)**
 - “...I have come down from heaven not to do my will but to do the will of him who sent me. – **John 6:38 (NIV)**
 - “For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one

who is at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.” – **Luke 22:27 (NIV)**

Lord, teach us to pray selflessly – praying for the needs of others as well as our own.

2. Lord, Teach Us About _____ Prayer.
 - **1 Thessalonians 5:16-18**
 - If we are to learn to “pray continually” then we will need to learn to pray **BRIEFLY!**
 - Short prayers don’t have to be weak prayers. Some of Christ’s most powerful prayers were also His shortest:
 - **Mark 4:39** – “Peace be still.”
 - **John 11:43** – “Lazarus, come forth.”
 - Jesus backed up His short prayers with longer prayers and longer times of prayers too.