

This Is The Way Prayer

Introduction: Are you a disciple?

Our Purpose: To know Jesus and become more like Him.

Give up; Think up; Look up!

Step 1: Surrender; Give up; “Your will be done” (Matthew 6:10)

Step 2: Study; Think up; “I will not neglect your Word” (Psalm 119:16)

Step 3: Prayer – The Example of Moses

Problem: Moses fails to look up

Our Choice: We can choose to live with God or without God

Reality: We can find excuses for not praying, but we are meant to run on God. We are to look up!

Lifeline Prayer

Note: Lifeline prayer is non-optional prayer

Our Core Prayer: God, please give me knowledge of your will for me and the power to carry it out.

Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has ascended into heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin. Let us then approach God’s throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need. (Hebrews 4:14-16 NIV)

Question: When is our time of need?

Practical Suggestion: Start every day with prayer

Our Remarkable Invitation To Pray

Invitation: “Let us then approach God’s throne of grace with confidence.”

Question: Who is sitting on God's throne?

Note: The one who sits on the throne is able

Note: The throne has a name. It is the throne of grace!

Action: We come to the throne of grace with confidence because we have a great high priest named Jesus!

Summary: Prayer is coming to God's throne (He is able) of grace (I'm forgiven) in confidence (Jesus is my High Priest) to turn my day over to Jesus.

Conclusion: And Finally, Listen!

There is a final important step. After you have asked God to give you knowledge of His will, you need to stop and listen. God can surely speak to you. Listen for Him.