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IN HIS STEPS

Fix Your Eyes on Jesus

connection
ministries

To this you were **called**, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should **follow in His steps**.

1 Peter 2:21 (NIV)

Days 1 & 2 Review

Day 1: Handling interruptions as modeled by Jesus.

Be patient when we face interruptions. Is our response to the interruption a Christian example to others?

Day 2: Show compassion for our neighbors, and love others as Jesus loves us.

What are ways that we can show compassion to others?



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PRAYER

Jesus Teaches Us to Pray (Matthew 6:5-13)

Never stop praying. Give thanks no matter what happens. God wants you to thank Him because you believe in Christ Jesus.

1 Thessalonians 5:17-18 (NIRV)

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The 5 Ways to Pray

Jesus was in constant communication with His Father through prayer.




To walk in His steps, we need to follow Jesus' example and be in **daily prayer** with God.



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The 5 Ways to Pray

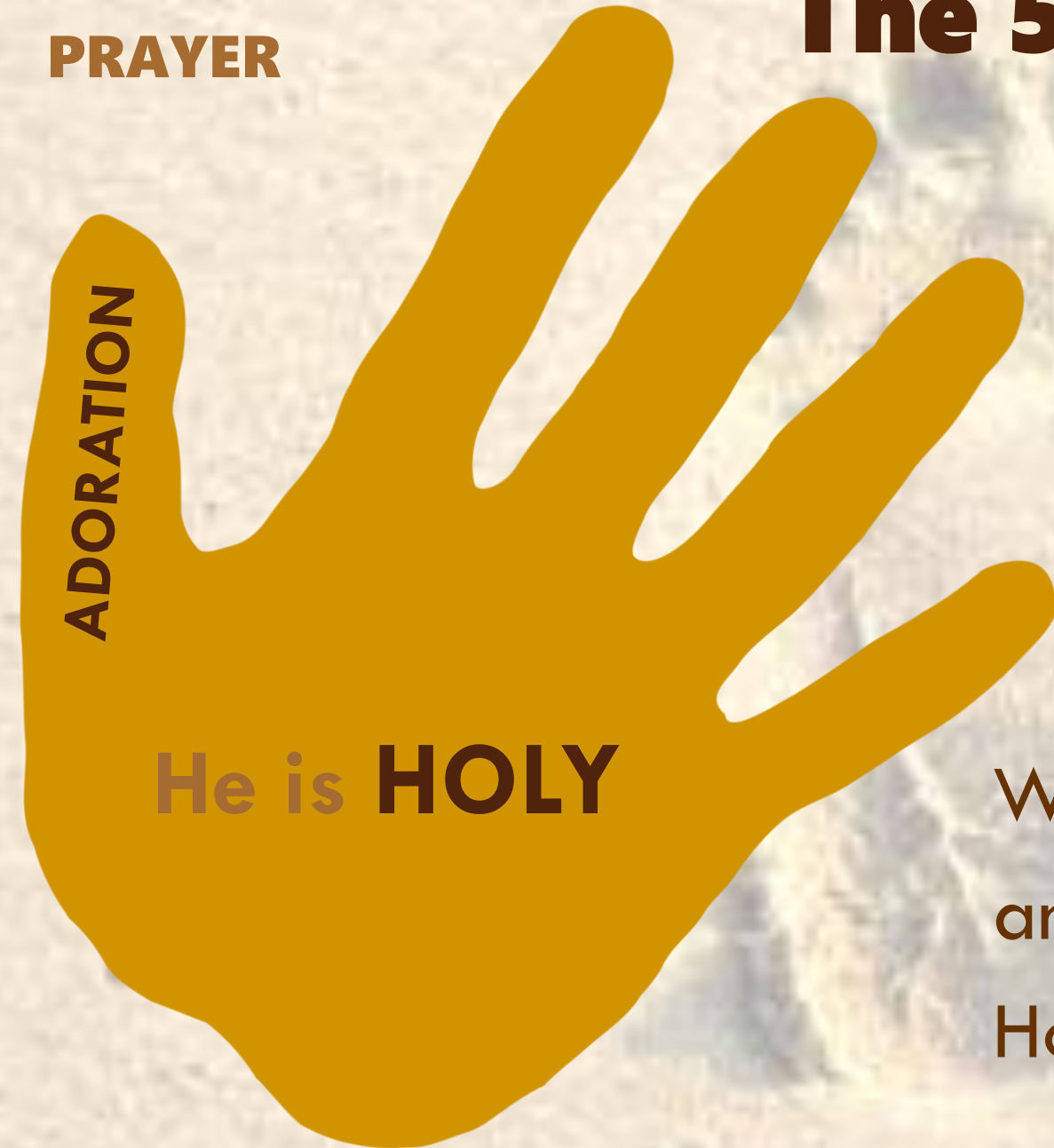


Our prayer life is like a hand; just like we have 5 fingers, there are also 5 ways to pray!

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The 5 Ways to Pray



**The first way to pray is with
ADORATION.**

*These are prayers of praise
and worship to God.*

We were made to worship God,
and to acknowledge that He is our
Holy Lord.

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The second way to pray is
with **CONFESSION.**

*When we admit to God that
we have sinned; confession is a
prayer of repentance.*

God wants us to tell Him when we
have sinned against Him.



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The third way to pray is
with **THANKSGIVING.**

*Thanking God for all He has
given us.*

It's important to thank God for
His blessings.

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The fourth way to pray is with **INTERCESSION/BLESSING.**

When we pray for someone else and ask God to bless that person.

We are to love all of God's people as He loves us. Let's never forget to pray for others.



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The fifth way to pray is with
SUPPLICATION.

A prayer that asks God for something.

God wants us to come to Him when we struggle; it shows that we trust Him. *(But, don't forget to pray for others!)*



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The Lord's Prayer *(Matthew 6:5-13)*

The disciples asked Jesus how to pray in the Gospel of Matthew.

**In response, He gave them
(and us) the Lord's Prayer.**

**Let's take a look at each
section of the Lord's Prayer!**



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The Lord's Prayer *(Matthew 6:5-13)*

Our Father who art in heaven.

God is **Father** to all of us.

As believers, we are brothers and sisters in Jesus. Because of Jesus, the God of the universe allows us to call Him **Father!**



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The Lord's Prayer *(Matthew 6:5-13)*

Hallowed be Thy Name.

HOLY



“Hallowed” means holy, special, righteous. We keep God’s Name holy. We don’t use it to hurt others, or in a disrespectful way.

God doesn’t want us to disrespect His Name.

Do you misuse God’s Name when you are angry?

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The Lord's Prayer *(Matthew 6:5-13)*

Thy kingdom come,

Thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

We are asking God to help us
make the world the way **He**
wants it to be.

*What would the earth be like if
it was how God wanted it to be?*

*Do you think it would be more
like heaven?*



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**Give us this day
our daily bread.**

In the Lord's Prayer, bread is the symbol for asking God to make sure we have what we need.

Sometimes we can confuse what we **want** with what we **need**. God provides what we need for today.



Besides bread, what are the things we **need** in daily life?

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The Lord's Prayer *(Matthew 6:5-13)*

And forgive us our trespasses
(sins) as we forgive those who
trespass (sin) against us.



When we trespass, or sin,
against God or another
person, it is hurtful.

We need to ask God
and others we hurt to
forgive us. We should
also **forgive people** who
hurt us.

When God forgives our sins,

He also forgets about them.

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The Lord's Prayer *(Matthew 6:5-13)*

**Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**



***What can you do to keep from
falling into temptation?***

We are asking God to help us stay away from putting ourselves first by doing things that are wrong.

The Holy Spirit actively gives us strength to not fall into temptation. We ask God to protect us from what others might do to us.

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The Lord's Prayer (Matthew 6:5-13)

The Lord's Prayer ends with a
“*doxology*”, or praise to God.

It was added later, and is a
great way to start and end
prayers by **praising God!**

For Thine is the kingdom, and
the power, and the glory,
forever and ever.



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Amen.

When we come to the end of
a prayer, we say **“Amen”**.
It means **“so be it”**, or **“let it
be so”**.

“Amen” means that we trust
**God has heard our prayers
and will answer according
to His will.**



**We can pray anytime we want
to talk to God.**

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How can We Pray?

Remember the 5 ways to pray!

ADORATION- *praise and worship to God.*

CONFESSION- *admitting to God when we sin.*

THANKSGIVING- *thanking God for all He has given us.*

INTERCESSION/BLESSING- *praying for someone else and asking God to bless that person.*

SUPPLICATION- *asking God for something.*



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What should we remember from our Bible lesson?

We should pray **always**; anytime, and anywhere.

We can sit, stand, and kneel. We can pray at church, before meals, first thing in the morning, and at night before we go to sleep. We can pray with people, and we can pray alone.

We can pray anytime we want to talk to God.

Never stop praying. Give thanks no matter what happens. God wants you to thank Him because you believe in Christ Jesus.

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What should we remember from our Bible lesson?

It's important to remember that God **always** listens and answers our prayers. He might not answer our prayers the way we want Him to, but He always answers them according to **His will** and what is best for us (*Romans 8:28*).

**Prayer is one more way that we are
walking in Jesus' steps!**



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