

Prayer

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I. Introduction.

A. How big is your God? (I Chronicles 29, Isaiah 40, Colossians 1:15, Revelation 4:11, 5:9-10)

B. Your God is no bigger than the amount of time you spend in worship and intercession.

II. All the promises of God are sure because of His glory of God through us. (II Corinthians 1)

A. The fact that God has made a promise does not guarantee its fulfillment—He has limited Himself to the prayers of His people.

B. Jesus called us to seek God for our needs all the time.

C. Jesus taught persistence in prayer.

D. We can enter into the burden of the heart of God. (Luke 22:28, 3)

III. Kinds of prayer.

A. Tactical prayer. This is a defense against the work of the enemy.

B. Strategic prayer. This has to do with taking the enemy's territory.

IV. We are to pray for current and future laborers. (Matthew 9:36-38, Colossians 1:9, II Thessalonians 1:11, Isaiah 62:6-7)

Application questions:

1. How is one's concept of God related to his or her prayer life?

2. How are the promises of God related to prayer?

3. What does Scripture call us to prayer for of first importance? Explain.
