

Be Successful In Your Ministry 2025

Metropolitan Baptist Church

Weekly Bible Study

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Study Subject: The World's Shortest Prayer

Text: The Bible

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Psalm

Introduction

As we continue to highlight the importance of prayer it is imperative that we understand the length of the prayer does not determine the power of the prayer. As we will discover tonight, the bible is full of prayers with different lengths.

Read Matthew 6:7-8: Jesus sends out a warning to His followers.

Prayer requires more of the heart than of the tongue. The eloquence of prayer consists in the fervency of desire, and the simplicity of faith. The abundance of fine thoughts, studied and vigorous motions, and the order and politeness of the expressions, are things which compose a mere human harangue, not an humble and Christian prayer.

Therefore, I say again, it is not the size of the prayer but the substance of the prayer. As we study the short prayers of the bible let us focus on what is in the prayer and not the size of the prayer.

The Lesson

I. Short Prayers

a. **Matthew 14:28-30:** Can you identify the prayer in this text?

_____ What
caused him to pray this prayer? _____

b. **Psalm 119:8 read:** We are presented with yet another urgent prayer. Also, in **verse 94**, we find a similar request or prayer much like Peter's. I have routinely called these types of prayers 911 prayers. When is a 911 prayer appropriate? _____

II. A Prayer Without Words

- a. Nehemiah 2:4-5: Read.** What was Nehemiah's prayer? _____. Is there such a thing as a prayer without words? _____
If so, have you ever experienced such? _____
- b.** Nehemiah's prayer could possibly be called "The World's Shortest Prayer". Why? _____
- c. Read Psalm 117. How powerful is this reading? Why? _____**

We must learn the power of short prayers.