

Be Successful In Your Ministry 2023
Metropolitan Baptist Church
Weekly Bible Study
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Study Text: John 14:12-15
Study Subject: Talking To God/Prayer7
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Psalm 119:97

Open It

- I. If I have been dishonest with a friend, it is not very easy for me to talk about anything with him or her. I may be able to force my way through a conversation about the weather, my work or our families. But I do not bring up more personal things. It is only after the air has been cleared between us, after forgiveness has been asked and received, that I am once again able to open up with my friend. It is the same in my relationship with God. Unconfessed sin keeps me away from Him and my prayer life is in jeopardy. **Read Isaiah 59:1,2**
- II. Just as we cannot “bypass Jesus”, while praying, it is equally important that we understand the role of “The Holy Spirit”, in prayer. **Read Eph. 2:18**
- III. **How often should I pray? _____ . What should be my physical position? _____ . Where should my place of prayer be? _____ . Should my eyes be open or closed? _____ .**

Explore It

I. The Believer's Prayer Inside of Jesus

a. **Read James 5:15,16: Faith=** A strong confidence in God. If we just pray with faith, those who are sick would be healed. Is this a correct statement?

b. **Verse 16:** What hinders the prayers of a believer? _____. How does verse 16 tell us to deal with this? _____

c. What are the results of praying with **unbelief? Acts 12:12-15** _____

II. Prayer And The Holy Spirit

a. It is amazing to know that “**The full God-Head**”, is involved in our prayers. We pray to **God the Father** through **God the son (Jesus)** directed by **God the Holy Spirit. Eph. 2:18**

b. **We both have access.** Who are the **both** in this verse? _____ **and** _____

c. How do we reconcile the _____ having **access** when **access** is through Jesus and directed by the Holy Spirit? _____
