



SPACES

**Bad Testimonies crush Great
Potential**

Matthew 6:9-13
The Lord's Prayer

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Successful Praying is ***intimacy***
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**Has Prayer become a
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**How do we foster
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Where we Engage with God

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Matthew 14:23

After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. Later that night, he was there alone.

Mark 1:35

Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed.

Luke 5:16

But Jesus often withdrew to lonely places and prayed.

Luke 6:12

One of those days Jesus went out to a mountainside to pray, and spent the night praying to God.

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Luke 9:18

Once when Jesus was **praying in private** and his disciples were with him, he asked them, “Who do the crowds say I am?”

Luke 9:28-29

About eight days after Jesus said this, he took Peter, John and James with him **and went up onto a mountain to pray.** As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning.

John 6:15

Jesus, knowing that they intended to come and make him king by force, **withdrew again to a mountain by himself.**

MAKING SPACES

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Make a space you *long* to get to.

God gave us *our senses as tools*
to *stir our affections* toward Him.

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“This, then, is how you should pray: ‘Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. **Give us today our daily bread.** And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.’

Matthew 6:9-13

“Therefore I tell you, **do not worry** about your life ...**Look at the birds** of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them... “And why do you worry about clothes? **See how the flowers of the field grow.** They do not labor or spin... **and your heavenly Father knows that you need them.** But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

Matthew 6:25-34

“Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened. Which of you, if your son asks for bread, will give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a snake? If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, **how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him!**

Matthew 7:7-11

Your Mind

Do not be anxious about **anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition,** with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, **will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.**

Philippians 4:6-7

Your Heart

The heart is deceitful above all things and beyond cure. Who can understand it? "I the Lord search the heart and examine the mind, to reward each person according to their conduct, according to what their deeds deserve."

Jeremiah 17:9-10

Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

Psalms 139:23-24 23

Your Soul

Why, my soul, are you downcast? Why so disturbed within me? Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God. My soul is downcast within me; therefore I will remember you.

Psalm 42:5-6, 11

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Psalm 42:11

He refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake.

Psalm 23:3

Your Spirit

Dear friends, I urge you, as **foreigners and exiles**, to abstain from sinful desires, which wage war against your soul.

1 Peter 2:11

Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, **but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household.**

Ephesians 2:19

Your Hands

How can a young person stay on the path of purity?

By living according to your word. I seek you with all my heart; do not let me stray from your commands.

Psalm 119:9-10

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me!"

Isaiah 6:8



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