

Beyond Sunday with Scripture References

Walking with God (Living by Faith pt 1)

A Sermon Application Guide

This guide is designed to offer a simple tool for those wanting to take the next step with Sunday's message. You can print this guide to study on your own, or use it in a group and experience transformation together.

Message Theme & Prayer Focus

Prayer Part 1 - A Relationship With God

"Father God, you are holy, worthy, and praise be to your name. I pray for your kingdom, your will, and your way to be done. Thank you for letting me partner with you in building your kingdom on this Earth. God, supply me with what I need for today, and forgive me when I get swept up, distracted, and tempted by things of this world. I thank you and I love you. Amen."

Key Concepts/Truths

In Genesis we get a beautiful picture of how normal it can be to walk with Christ. Sometimes we can think that walking with Christ means being weird or eccentric, but Genesis says that Enoch walked with God while going about his normal human life every day.

As believers, we are the bride of Christ and it's our gift to walk with God. Just as we have an ongoing relationship with a family member or spouse, we are to engage in our relationship with Christ. We need to stay in communication with Him and constantly pursue Him as He does with us.

Prayer, in its simplest form, is communication with God. It's key to staying connected to, and knowing, our Father. Prayer is so much more than a one-sided conversation asking requests of God.

Along with connection to our Father, another goal in our prayers is to pray with intentionality. The result of our prayer should be the building of the kingdom. Choosing to go after the things of God in prayer is so important, but it's just as important to wait for God to respond.

We are given a great Kingdom-focused model of prayer from Jesus in Matthew 6:9:

*Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day 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 evil.*

When we understand the power of prayer, it will be a natural desire of ours to do so with our Father as often as we can. Our focus will be pulled off of ourselves in prayer and turned to thanksgiving to our Creator. Imagine the joy that the Father gets when we turn to him with excitement and thankfulness for what He has blessed us with.

For more on effective prayer, check out this short video:<https://youtu.be/V635ihhOh8k>

Key Verses:

Genesis 5:21-24 • Philippians 3:10 • Ephesians 1:11 • James 5:16-18

Daily Application

A huge part of prayer is turning the focus away from selfish ambition and placing our attention where it belongs, on God and His kingdom. Changing our prayer mindset from routine and chore to the privilege of being able to honor the Creator will cause us to see things from His perspective. It's from that view that we can truly see the circumstances we are in, for what they really are, and do what needs to be done. The book of Philippians tells us not to worry about anything, but to pray about everything with thanksgiving.

This week, rather than praying from a place of requests, take time to thank God for the things He has provided for you, how He has shown up in time of need, and the ways He has remained faithful to you. Challenge yourself to do so with a posture of thankfulness. Get out of your comfort zone. This could look like raising your hands, singing your thanks, writing it all down to read throughout the day, going on a walk and saying out loud all He has done and is doing in the world today. God is so good and we can never thank Him enough.

This Week's Declaration

"I declare today that God is in control. I remind myself that He is worth my time, He is worth my attention, and He is worth my prayer and praise. Father, I turn my attention to you and I thank you for remaining so faithful. I recognize that you desire connection with me and I desire that as well. Today and this week I invite you into my family, work, and decisions. Lead me in the way that I should go to build your kingdom, in Jesus' name!"

What's Next?

Now it's time to write down anything that the Lord has spoken to you. Praise Him, Thank Him and ask the Holy Spirit to help you walk this out.

Scripture References

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Genesis 5:21-24 NKJV

Enoch lived sixty-five years, and begot Methuselah. After he begot Methuselah, Enoch walked with God three hundred years, and had sons and daughters. So all the days of Enoch were three hundred and sixty-five years. And Enoch walked with God; and he was not, for God took him.

Jude 14 & 15 NKJV

Now Enoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied about these men also, saying, "Behold, the Lord comes with ten thousands of His saints, to execute judgment on all, to convict all who are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have committed in an ungodly way, and of all the harsh things which ungodly sinners have spoken against Him."

Philippians 3:10 NKJV

that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death,

Psalms 103:7 NKJV

He made known His ways to Moses, His acts to the children of Israel.

James 5:16-18 AMPC

Confess to one another therefore your faults (your slips, your false steps, your offenses, your sins) and pray [also] for one another, that you may be healed and restored [to a spiritual tone of mind and heart]. The earnest (heartfelt, continued) prayer of a righteous man makes tremendous power available [dynamic in its working].

Matthew 6:9-13 NKJV

Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors. And do not lead us into temptation, But deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Habakkuk 2:1 NIV

I will stand at my watch and station myself on the ramparts; I will look to see what he will say to me, and what answer I am to give to this complaint.

Matthew 6:10 NKJV

Your kingdom come. Your will be done On earth as *it is* in heaven.

Acts 1:1-3 NKJV

The former account I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach, until the day in which He was taken up, after He through the Holy Spirit had given commandments to the apostles

whom He had chosen, to whom He also presented Himself alive after His suffering by many infallible proofs, being seen by them during forty days and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God.

Acts 8:12 NKJV

But when they believed Philip as he preached the things concerning the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, both men and women were baptized.

Acts 28:31 NKJV

preaching the kingdom of God and teaching the things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ with all confidence, no one forbidding him.

2 Timothy 4:1 NKJV

I charge you therefore before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom:

Luke 22:29 NKJV

And I bestow upon you a kingdom, just as My Father bestowed *one* upon Me,

Acts 1:6-7 NKJV

Therefore, when they had come together, they asked Him, saying, "Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" And He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority.

Ephesians 1:11 MSG

It's in Christ that we find out who we are and what we are living for.

Colossians 1:16 MSG

For everything, absolutely everything, above and below, visible and invisible, rank after rank after rank of angels—everything got started in him and finds its purpose in him.

Psalms 116:17 NKJV

I will offer to You the sacrifice of thanksgiving, And will call upon the name of the Lord.

Philippians 4:6 NKJV

Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God;

2 Timothy 1:7 NKJV

For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.

Philippians 4:6 NKJV

Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God;

Philippians 4:6-8 NKJV

...let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy—meditate on these things.

Isaiah 26:3 NKJV

You will keep him in perfect peace, Whose mind is stayed on You...

Mark 11:24-25 NKJV

Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them “And whenever you stand praying, if you have anything against anyone, forgive him...

Philemon 8-21 NKJV

Therefore, though I might be very bold in Christ to command you what is fitting, *yet* for love’s sake I rather appeal *to you*—being such a one as Paul, the aged, and now also a prisoner of Jesus Christ— I appeal to you for my son Onesimus, whom I have begotten *while* in my chains, who once was unprofitable to you, but now is profitable to you and to me. I am sending him back. You therefore receive him, that is, my own heart, whom I wished to keep with me, that on your behalf he might minister to me in my chains for the gospel. But without your consent I wanted to do nothing, that your good deed might not be by compulsion, as it were, but voluntary. For perhaps he departed for a while for this *purpose*, that you might receive him forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave—a beloved brother, especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. If then you count me as a partner, receive him as *you would* me. But if he has wronged you or owes anything, put that on my account. I, Paul, am writing with my own hand. I will repay—not to mention to you that you owe me even your own self besides. Yes, brother, let me have joy from you in the Lord; refresh my heart in the Lord. Having confidence in your obedience, I write to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

Romans 12:17-21 NKJV

Repay no one evil for evil. Have regard for good things in the sight of all men. If it is possible, as much as depends on you, live peaceably with all men. Beloved, do not avenge yourselves, but rather give place to wrath; for it is written, “Vengeance is Mine, I will repay,” says the Lord. Therefore “If your enemy is hungry, feed him; If he is thirsty, give him a drink; For in so doing you will heap coals of fire on his head.” Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

1 Samuel 12:23 NKJV

far be it from me that I should sin against the Lord in ceasing to pray for you...