

Wheelersburg Baptist Church 1/18/2026
Matthew 6:5-13 “Learning from Jesus about Prayer”
Special 2026 series: *Redeemed People...Pray the Word*

I. Jesus teaches us _____ to pray (5-8).

- A. Beware of your _____ in prayer (5-6).
- B. Beware of your _____ in prayer (7-8).

II. Jesus teaches us _____ to pray (9-13).

- A. We must begin with the right _____ of God (9).
 - 1. He is _____.
 - 2. He is _____.
- B. We must bring the right _____ to God.
 - 1. We should pray first for God's _____ (9-10).
 - a. Cause Your _____ to be central.
 - b. Cause Your _____ to come.
 - c. Cause Your _____ to be done.
 - 2. We should pray next for our _____ (11-13).
 - a. We need _____ (11).
 - b. We need _____ (12, 14-15).

c. We need _____ (13).

Make It Personal: Let’s ask ourselves these questions.

- 1. Am I _____?
- 2. Am I praying the _____ as Jesus taught?

Community Group Discussion:

- 1. Today we are continuing our series, *Redeemed People Pray the Word*. How would you describe your prayer life? After discussing this question for a few moments, read together Matthew 6:5-13. What stands out most to you from Jesus’ teaching on prayer?
- 2. What are some tendencies we must avoid when we pray according to verses 5-8?
- 3. According to Jesus, our prayers should follow a basic pattern when we pray. What is that pattern according to verses 9-13?
- 4. Let’s probe the previous question more carefully. How does Jesus say we should we address God when we pray? What does He say we should pray about *first*? What kinds of prayer requests should we bring to God next, according to Jesus? Should we ever deviate from this pattern when we pray, and if so, when and how?
- 5. What questions did today’s message raise for you? What encouragement did it provide? After discussing, allow the Lord’s prayer to guide you as a group in a time of meaningful conversation with our Heavenly Father.

