

## THE PROMINENCE OF PRAYER IN THE LIFE OF CHRIST

### I. THE COMPASSION OF THE CHIEF SHEPHERD & THE PRAYERFUL CONCERN FOR LOST SOULS (Matthew 9:35-38)

### II. THE PROMINENCE OF PRAYER IN THE LIFE OF CHRIST

#### A. Some Basic \_\_\_\_\_ About Jesus' Prayer Life

1. Jesus prayed in His incarnate body because, He had volitionally \_\_\_\_\_ Himself in His \_\_\_\_\_. As such, He was solely \_\_\_\_\_ on His Father for all things. (Matt. 24:36-37)
2. Jesus habitually prayed before \_\_\_\_\_ in His life:
  - a. He prayed at His \_\_\_\_\_ which launched His \_\_\_\_\_ ministry. (Luke 3:21-23)
  - b. He prayed all night concerning the \_\_\_\_\_ of His \_\_\_\_\_. (Luke 6:12-13)
  - c. He prayed on the Mount of \_\_\_\_\_. (Luke 9:29)
  - d. Jesus prayed before His \_\_\_\_\_. (Luke 22:39-46; John 17; Heb. 5:7)

#### B. A Look At History's Most \_\_\_\_\_ Prayer (Matt. 6:9-13; Luke 11:1-4)

- Why is this so controversial?
  1. What is called The "*Lord's Prayer*" is really the "\_\_\_\_\_ Prayer" because Christ could \_\_\_\_\_ have prayed, "\_\_\_\_\_ *us our debts.*"
- "All the bible is \_\_\_\_\_ us (for our consideration & understanding), but not all the bible is written directly \_\_\_\_\_ us" (the NT epistles are)
- How should we view the bible as a whole "*generally*"?

- 1) The OT as \_\_\_\_\_ for the coming of the King
  - 2) The Gospels as \_\_\_\_\_ of the King
  - 3) Acts as \_\_\_\_\_ of the King (historical & transitional in nature)
  - 4) The Epistles as the \_\_\_\_\_ of the King & his work in the hearts of the Church today
  - 5) Revelation as the \_\_\_\_\_ of the King in the Coming Kingdom program
2. Here, Jesus taught His disciples to keep at least \_\_\_\_\_ at the forefront of their thinking when praying regarding the Lord...
- a. The acknowledgment of a \_\_\_\_\_ to God: "...\_\_\_\_\_ *Father in heaven*"
  - b. The acknowledgment of one's \_\_\_\_\_ of God: "...\_\_\_\_\_ *be your name.*"
  - c. The acknowledgment of the \_\_\_\_\_ of God's \_\_\_\_\_ in life "...*your kingdom*\_\_\_\_\_. *Your will be* \_\_\_\_\_ *on earth as it is in heaven.*"
3. Here, Jesus taught His disciples to pray for at least \_\_\_\_\_ regarding human needs...
- a. A request for \_\_\_\_\_: "...*Give us this day our*\_\_\_\_\_."
  - b. A request for \_\_\_\_\_ from sin: "...*And* \_\_\_\_\_ *us our debts*"
  - c. A request for \_\_\_\_\_: "...*And do not lead us into* \_\_\_\_\_, *but deliver us from the* \_\_\_\_\_."

### C. Some Added \_\_\_\_\_ From The Lord On Prayer (Luke 11:5-10)

1. Jesus taught us to be \_\_\_\_\_ in prayer, because God is so \_\_\_\_\_. (Luke 11:5-10)
  2. Just as an earthly father does \_\_\_\_\_ always \_\_\_\_\_ their children everything they ask for, as this may \_\_\_\_\_ or hinder them, so our heavenly Father may do the \_\_\_\_\_ for us. (Luke 11:11-13)
  3. When we are in a stressful situation and \_\_\_\_\_ as to what to do, we can confidently pray for Him to accomplish His \_\_\_\_\_ in and through us. (Luke 22:42)
  4. The Lord taught that we should not offer \_\_\_\_\_ prayers merely to \_\_\_\_\_ others. (Matt. 23:14)
- How can we apply this teaching on prayer this week?