# Trinity International Theological Seminary

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Course Name: Prayer

WELCOME TO A TUITION-FREE STUDY OF THE BIBLE!

*It is not necessary to enroll at a student or pay tuition. You may begin this study immediately. Before you begin, please note:*

FIRST: This is a comprehensive tuition-free study. You may complete the entire course without cost. After completing the course of study, you will be given the option of receiving a Certificate of Achievement for small fee.

SECOND: This study is totally self-contained. You will only need your personal Bible. THIRD: This study is self-paced. Move through it the way you find most helpful.

FOURTH: Even though it is free, this is a serious study of the Bible.

**Instructions to Guide the Student in This Study**

Begin your study by having prayer. You need to understand what the Bible teaches. God has promised to help you. God keeps his promises. As you pray, you can thank God that He will help you understand. Pray with faith. Put John 16:13 to the test! Utilize any method of study (time of day, place of study, etc.) that will produce good results.

1. First, read all the Underlined Statements but no Scripture. This is the Subject you are studying.
2. Read carefully! Be sure you know the meaning of each word. Reading aloud may help.
3. Now, read all the Bible verses *after* the Underlined Statements. As you read, write in your notebook any thoughts that you want to add. Write a summary of what the Holy Spirit enables you to learn. Since there are no tests to complete, the more carefully you read, and the more completely you write your summary, the more you will learn!
4. Mark your Bible. Make notations in the margin.
5. Meditate! Continue to think about what the Bible teaches. Memorize some verses.
6. Live what the Bible teaches. Obey the Word of God! As you obey what you learn, God will teach you more.
7. Share what you learn. As you teach and tell others what you have learned, God will help you to understand more clearly. You will help others and strengthen yourself.
8. Never give up. With God's help you can be a faithful and effective Christian witness and worker.

*Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth* 2 Timothy 2:15.

Definition: Prayer is communion with God. Prayer may be "supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks" (1Timothy.2:1).

Bible Gives First Mention of Prayer: Genesis 4:26.

Old Testament Gives Examples of Prayer: Abraham, Genesis .13:4 and 18:22-33; Jacob,

Genesis 32:24-32; Moses, Exodus 15:24,25; Samuel, 1Samuel 7:9-10; Solomon, 1Kings 9:3;

Elijah, 1Kings 18:37,38; Ezra, Ezra 8:23.

New Testament Gives Examples of Prayer: By Jesus, Luke 22:41,42,45; Matthew 6:9; Mark

1:35; Luke 6:12; John 12:27; John 17. By church, Acts 1:13,14; Acts 4:31; Acts 13:3. By Paul,

Acts 9:5,6; Ephesians 1:15,16; Colossians 1:9.

Jesus Christ makes the way to Prayer: By instruction, Matthew 6:5-15; By invitation, Matthew

7:7,8; Luke 18:1; John 14:13,14; 16:24; By his work on the cross, Hebrews 10:19-23.

God invites Prayer: Hebrews 4:14-16.

Bible Makes Promises About Prayer: Psalm 91:15; Isaiah 65:24; John 15:7.

Bible Lists Aids to Answered Prayer: Humble confession, 2Chronicles 7:14; Sincerity, Jeremiah 29:13; Faith, Mark 11:24; Righteousness, James 5:16; Keeping commandments, 1John 3:22.

Bible Lists Hindrances to Answered Prayer: Obstinate rebellion, Proverbs 1:24-28; Secret

sin, Psalms 66:18; Continuation in sin, Isaiah 59:2; Wavering, James 1:6; Failure to ask, James

4:3; Bad domestic relations, 1Peter 3:7.

Jesus Christ Teaches How to Pray: No vain repetitions, Matthew 6:7; By instruction, Luke 11:1-

4; By illustration, Luke 11:5-13; By example, John 17.

The Holy Spirit Helps Christians in Their Prayers: Shows things of Christ, John 16:17; Helps our infirmity, Romans 8:26-27.

Bible Lists Several Postures in Prayer: Bowing, Exodus 4:31; Kneeling, Acts 9:40; Erect, Luke

18:11, On face, Matthew 26:39.

Bible Lists Attitudes in Prayer: Acceptable attitudes: Humility, 2Chronicles 7:14; Importunity, Matthew 15:22-28; Righteousness, James 5:16; Boldness, Hebrews 4:16; Unacceptable

attitudes: For human praise, Matthew 6:5-8; Wavering faith, James 1:6,7; For evil purpose,

James 4:3.

Bible Lists Types of Prayer: In repentance, Psalms 51:1-17; Luke 18:13; Family, Genesis.12:5,8; Confession, Daniel 9:5,6; 1John 1:9; Supplications, Prayers,

Intercessions, Giving of thanks, 1Timothy 2:1-4.

Bible Exhorts Christians to Prayer: Matthew 7:7,8; Matthew 21:22; Luke 11:9-13; John

14:13,14; John 15:7; Ephesians 6:18-20; 1Thessalonians 5:17.

Bible Lists Special Prayer Times of Jesus: Alone with Father, Luke 5:15,16; Morning, Mark 1:35; Evening, Mark 6:46,47; Entire Night, Luke 6:12; With Disciples, Luke 9:18, John 17; In

Gethsemane, Luke 22:41,42.

As you read the Bible verses, you will notice other verses that relate to the same subject. It will increase your knowledge if you will add other verses to the proper section.

Discuss with other Christians what you have learned. Ask other Christians for other verses to add to each section.

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**CONGRATULATIONS!** If you have completed the course as instructed, you have achieved an extremely important milestone in your walk with the Lord. We rejoice with you, and trust that God will use you in an even greater way to minister to a world that is in desperate need of the life- changing Gospel of our Risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! May the Holy Spirit go before you and make every crooked place straight! (Isaiah 45:2)

Now that you have completed this course, you have the option of receiving a Certificate of Achievement for a small fee. See the **"Procedure for Requesting a Certificate for a Completed Course."**

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To receive your optional Certificate of Achievement, we need the following information from you:

* 1. The course you have completed.
	2. Your names as you would like it to appear on your Certificate.
	3. Your full mailing address.
	4. Your email address and telephone number (if any)
	5. One page essay summarizing your understanding of the course. This can be emailed to:

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