

PRAYER SCHOOL – WEEK 1

FOUNDATION TEXT NOTES

Mark 11:22-24 NKJV

“So Jesus answered and said to them, “Have faith in God. For assuredly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, ‘Be removed and be cast into the sea,’ and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that those things he says will be done, he will have whatever he says. Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them.”

**WHAT IS PRAYER?*

Prayer is one of the Primary ways we communicate with God. It is not a monologue, but a dialogue with your Heavenly Father.

Prayer is a Privilege. It is not something we engage in only in emergencies or crisis, but it is a spiritual discipline necessary for building a relationship with God.

Prayer is Powerful and can be transformative when exercised consistently.

Faith shapes How we pray and what we Receive in prayer.

Jesus said, “ Have faith in God.” Victory in your prayer life begins with having faith in God.

Have faith in God’s Word.

God’s Word can be Trusted.

Have Faith in God’s Will.

Faith begins where the will of God is Known.

Faith shifts the focus from our limitations to God’s unlimited ability and power. We must trust the character of God that can be found in scripture.

Faith comes from the Word, not from just prayer.

Having Faith in God’s Word and in His Will strengthens your Prayer Life.

How does Faith impact our Prayer Life?

Faith gives us Confidence in prayer.

Faith Produces boldness in Prayer

The Throne

Authority — the seat of power and authority.

Judgment — the place from which decrees are made.

Access — only those favored by the King are invited near.

Faith Makes Prayer Work

-Prayer gets its power from faith and faith worketh by love.

-Faith can work without prayer, but prayer cannot work without faith.

-Prayer changes you. Prayer changes things. Prayer does NOT change God.

Pray with Intentionality

In our prayers, God is NOT looking for:

Eloquence
Articulation
Education
Repetition

In our prayers, God IS looking for:

Faith (Belief in Him)
Confidence (Boldness)
His Word (The Scriptures)
Humility (Repentant Heart)

Pray the Solution,
not the Problem.

What do we do after we pray in faith?

Exercise Faith and Patience while waiting for the answer.

It takes Faith to Wait.

Waiting on the Lord requires Courage.

Waiting requires Surrender — faith means trusting God's Word and His timing rather than reacting to outward circumstances.

Trials test Faith; waiting strengthens Character. Faith to wait produces Maturity.

****THREE BENEFITS OF WAITING ON THE LORD:****

1. Waiting on the Lord Strengthens us.
2. Waiting on the Lord Encourages us.
3. Waiting on the Lord produces Patience within us.