

FOUNDATION CORNERSTONE

FCS1-3-15A: Types of Prayer (Part 1)

Prayer connects us to God in a spiritual way. Through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, we may approach unto God (our heavenly Father) as if we were speaking with a friend. We may pray to God for several different reasons: It may be for a personal prayer request; or it may be for someone else that is hurting. Whatever the reason we go to God in prayer, we know that He hears those that call upon His name.

Worship: (Greek 4352 – as used in *John 4:24*) proskuneo pros-koo-neh'-o from 4314 and a probable derivative of 2965 (meaning to kiss, like a dog licking his master's hand); **to fawn** or crouch to, i.e. (literally or figuratively) prostrate oneself in homage (**do reverence to, adore**):--worship.

God seeks those that will worship Him in spirit and in truth.

John 4:23-24 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. 24 God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship *him* in spirit and in truth.

Matthew 4:10 Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.

Luke 24:51-52 And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven. 2 And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy:

Within worship, we open our hearts to God. Through worship we express our love and adoration to Him. Worship is something that we choose to do voluntarily and whole-heartedly, giving Him glory and honor.

Praise: (Hebrew 1984 – as used in *Psalms 147:1*) halal haw-lal' a primitive root; to be clear (orig. of sound, but usually of color); to shine; hence, to make a show, to boast; and thus to be (clamorously) foolish; to rave; causatively, to celebrate; also to stultify:--(**make**) **boast** (self), **celebrate**, commend, (deal, make), fool(-ish, -ly), **glory**, give (light), be (make, feign self) mad (against), give in marriage, (sing, **be worthy of**) praise, rage, renowned, **shine**.

This is declaring the goodness of God; both about His character (who he is) and also His actions. When we say “God is good”, we are praising God. There are many styles of praise; some are noisy and exuberant, while others are calmer. Praise can be expressed through music, singing, words (spoken or written), and even clapping.

Psalms 117:1-2 O praise the LORD, all ye nations: praise him, all ye people. 2 For his merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the LORD *endureth* for ever. Praise ye the LORD.

Psalms 147:1 Praise ye the LORD: for *it is* good to sing praises unto our God; for *it is* pleasant; and praise is comely.

Hebrew 13:15 By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of *our* lips giving thanks to his name.



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Confession: (Greek 3670 – as used in *Romans 10:10*) homologeo hom-ol-og-eh'-o from a compound of the base of 3674 and 3056; to assent, i.e. covenant, **acknowledge**--con- (pro-)fess, **confession is made**, give thanks, promise.

Forgiveness: (Greek 0859 – as used in *1 John 1:9*) aphesis af'-es-is from 863; freedom; (figuratively) **pardon**--deliverance, **forgiveness**, liberty, remission.

In our prayers, we confess to God the things we understand we have done wrong. We acknowledge where we have failed and that we need to do better. Even though God already knows our wrongs (trespasses against Him), our prayers of confession to Him help us maintain our communion. By acknowledging and speaking of our sins to God, we are also confessing to Him that we need His forgiveness.

Romans 10:10 For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

1 John 1:8-10 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 10 If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

Ephesians 1:7 In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;



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Question 1

Which answers best describes what Prayer is?

Prayer is a spiritual communication from a person to God.

Prayer is a form of worship.

Prayer is how we can show off our scriptural wisdom to others that can hear us.

It is in prayer that we can acknowledge our sins to God and ask for forgiveness.

Multiple choice (Multiple answers)

Question 2

Which answer best defines Prayers of Worship?

An Acknowledging of Sins

A petition in behalf of another person.

A reverent adoration towards God.

Multiple choice (Unique answer)

Question 3

A Prayer of Praise is a celebration and a boasting of God's goodness.

True

False

True/False

Question 4

A prayer of sincere _____ to God yields _____.

Fill in blanks

Question 5

As described in Psalms 147:1, which type of Prayer is the writer expressing?

Confession.

Praise.

Intercession.

Multiple choice (Unique answer)



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