

Genesis 4:25-26
Make the Call



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• *25 And Adam knew his wife again, and she bore a son and named him Seth, “For God has appointed another seed for me instead of Abel, whom Cain killed.” 26 And as for Seth, to him also a son was born; and he named him Enosh. Then men began to call on the name of the LORD.*

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- *²⁶To Seth, also, a son was born, whom he named Enosh (mortal man, mankind). At that [same] time men began to call on the name of the LORD [in worship through prayer, praise, and thanksgiving]. (AMP)*

- *If there is no prayer, then there is no point!*
- *Prayer is the life blood of a Christian and a church.*

- *When a Christian shuns fellowship with other Christians, the devil smiles, when he stops studying the Bible, the devil laughs. When he stops praying, the devil shouts for joy – Corrie Ten Boom*

Psalm 14:4

- *Have all the workers of iniquity no knowledge, who eat up my people as they eat bread, and do not call on the Lord? (NKJV)*
- *Will those who do evil never learn? They eat up my people like bread and wouldn't think of praying to the Lord. (NLT)*

- *The word “call” here and throughout almost all of the Old Testament is the Hebrew word “qara” (kaw-raw).*
- *The idea was that of not simply calling but rather accosting a person; To call or cry out*

Prayer Cannot be Taught

- *Prayer cannot be taught by principles, seminars and symposiums, it has to be born out of a whole environment of self-need – Jim Cymbala*
- *Prayer cannot be taught because desire cannot be taught*

Prayer works best when it comes from a need of desperation

- *The best style of prayer is that which cannot be called anything else but a cry – C.H. Spurgeon*
- *The more we pray, the more we sense our need to pray. The more we sense our need to pray, the more we want to pray. – Jim Cymbala*

Prayer is supernatural and needs supernatural aid

- *Romans 8:26-27 - ²⁶And the Holy Spirit helps us in our weakness. For example, we don't know what God wants us to pray for. But the Holy Spirit prays for us with groanings that cannot be expressed in words. ²⁷And the Father who knows all hearts knows what the Spirit is saying, for the Spirit pleads for us believers in harmony with God's own will*

Prayer without faith is always a hollow exercise

- *For many the problem isn't really a prayer problem, it is a faith problem.*
- *There will never be a true desire or passion to pray unless we really believe God will not only listen, but answer*

- *Psalm 4:3 - You can be sure of this: The Lord set apart the godly for himself. The Lord will answer when I call to him*
- *Deuteronomy 4:7 - For what great nation has a god as near to them as the Lord our God is near to us whenever we call on him?*

- *Faith sees the invisible, believes the unbelievable, and receives the impossible – Corrie Ten Boom*
- *Psalm 5:3 - Listen to my voice in the morning, Lord. Each morning, I bring my requests to you and wait expectantly*

- *The evidence of faith is a restful heart – David Wilkerson*

All prayer should lead to praise

- *Philippians 4:6 - Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done (NLT)*
- *Praise is the sign that we have faith*