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Sunday Lesson May 17, 2020

## Prayer – a Key to Heaven

Scripture Reading before Invocation Prayer: St. Luke 6: 12 Prayed all night. What did He Pray?

Scripture Lesson: St. Matthew 16: 19 keys of the kingdom of heaven, precepts that Heaven abides by based on what's done on Earth. Prayer gives man access to Heaven and Heaven access to man's "authority". "It seems that without God, man cannot, and without man, God will not" John Wesley. "God who created you without you will not save you without you" "God without us will not as we without God cannot" St. Augustine, Bishop of Hippo (St. Luke 19:14, St. Matthew 19: 21 – 22, St. Matthew 23: 37) It is not an option for all Christians to be PRAYERFUL.

Subject: IF MY PEOPLE, WHICH ARE CALLED BY MY NAME, SHALL HUMBLE THEMSELVES, AND PRAY, AND SEEK MY FACE, AND TURN FROM THEIR WICKED WAYS; THEN WILL I HEAR FROM HEAVEN, AND WILL FORGIVE THEIR SIN, AND WILL HEAL THEIR LAND. (II Chronicles 7: 14) KJV

Text: St. Luke 18: 1 - 8 Prayer, a petition or plea (legal term) for the Kingdom of Heaven to order and establish Justice and grant its citizens rights that the constitution states belong to them. (Isaiah 9: 6 - 7)

Introduction: I John 3: 22 in accordance with His WORD and His WILL – we should be praying what's in our constitution, The Word of God, our Bibles. We should be asking His will for our lives not what we want, but what He has purposed us to do. (James 4: 13 – 15, Isaiah 55: 11)

I John 5: 14 and this is the CONFIDENCE, When we pray His Word and Will, EXPECT IT!!!

## Lesson Outline

## It is Written My House shall be called a house of Prayer.

- 1. St. Matthew 6: 5-18 When thou prayest, When thou fastest! (St. Luke 11: 1 Teach us to Pray)
- 2. St. Matthew 6: 25 34 Birds don't worry like we do, but seek first the kingdom of God.
- 3. St. Matthew 5: 23 24, 6: 14 15, I Peter 3: 7 9 That thou prayers be not hindered.
- 4. I Thessalonians 5: 17 18 Pray without ceasing or continually. Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not to thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. (Proverbs 3: 5 6)

## FOR THE REST OF THE MONTH OF MAY I'M ASKING ALL CHRISTIANS TO PRAY FOR ONE HOUR A DAY!

And he cometh unto the disciples, and findeth them as leep, and saith unto Peter, What, could ye not watch with me one hour? (St. Matthew 26: 40-41) KJV