

The Lord Jesus teaches us to turn willingly to the Father and call out in prayer for Him to work in our lives. Rather than relying on our own strength (chin up, teeth clenched, saying, “I’m going to get this done”), we need to come to the Father in prayer—daily, dependently and gratefully.

Walking the Path of Prayer

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Rather than portraying men and women as hopeless, helpless victims of circumstance, the Bible declares that redeemed persons are hopeful and capable of expecting victory when they pray in faith.

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God is the only person from whom you can hide nothing. Before Him you will unavoidably come to see yourself in a new, unique light. Prayer, therefore, leads to a self-knowledge that is impossible to achieve any other way.

Prayer
Timothy Keller

Prayer is the only entryway into genuine self-knowledge. It is also the main way we experience deep change—the reordering of our loves. Prayer is how God gives us so many of the unimaginable things he has for us. Indeed, prayer makes it safe for God to give us many of the things we most desire.

It is the way we know God, the way we finally treat God as God. Prayer is simply the key to everything we need to do and be in life.

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Prayer in all its forms—adoration, confession, thanksgiving, petition—reorients your view and vision of everything. Prayer brings new perspective because it puts God back into the picture.

Merely addressing God verbally about our needs, fears, hopes, concerns, questions, perplexities, and sins almost immediately forces us to think differently about them.

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You can't get more basic than this. Prayer is the way that all the things we believe in and that Christ has won for us actually become our strength. Prayer is the way that truth is worked into your heart to create new instincts, reflexes, and dispositions.

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Meditation is thinking a truth *out* and then thinking a truth *in* until its ideas become “big” and “sweet,” moving and affecting, and until the reality of God is sensed upon the heart.

The Works of John Owen

The one who meditates is like a tree. Trees don't grow overnight. Meditation is a sustained process like a tree growing its roots down toward the water source. Those who abide in its performance shall increase in light, wisdom, and experience.

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