

GOD QUESTING

Reading a book about prayer, listening to lectures and talking about it is very good, but it won't teach you to pray. You get nothing without exercise, without practice. I might listen for a year to a professor of music playing the most beautiful music, but that won't teach me to play an instrument.

~ *Andrew Murray, With Christ in the School of Prayer*

The key to true spiritual growth is not to subscribe to the ethical teachings of Moses or of Jesus, nor is it to have the right ideas about God and reality. Instead it is being united with Christ by faith, then living the kind of life that proceeds from that union.

~ *Donald Bloesch*

Praying keeps your soul alive, like eating keeps your body alive, because prayer is real contact with God, and God is the life of the soul.

~ *Peter Kreeft, Catholic Theologian*

When we pray we speak to God.

~ *Donald S. Whitney, Spiritual Disciplines for the Christian Life*

Begin with reading or hearing. Go on with meditation; end in prayer. Reading without meditation is unfruitful; meditation without reading is hurtful; to meditate and to read without prayer upon both, is without blessing.

~ *William Bridge, Puritan Pastor*

Why does the Father want to hear what we have to say? Why, irony of ironies, does he humble himself to partner with us in saving the world? The answer is in one word: intimacy.

~ *Doug Banister, Sacred Quest*

For some reason, prayer itself is not hard, but the will to pray is.

~ *Calvin Miller, A Hunger for The Holy*

As it is the business of tailors to make clothes and of cobblers to mend shoes, so it is the business of Christians to pray.

~ *Martin Luther*

I'm certain we would see great things happen in the church if we really prayed for each other.

~ *John MacArthur, The Keys To Spiritual Growth*

In prayer, the fatherless find a Father.

~ *Doug Banister, Sacred Quest*

There is not in the world a kind of life more sweet and delightful than that of a continual conversation with God.

~ *Brother Lawrence, Practice of the Presence of God*

We should pray because prayer is the most realistic thing in the world to do. It is our acknowledgment of reality, our right response to reality, our honesty with reality.

~ *Peter Kreeft, Catholic Theologian*

Prayer is not asking. It is a longing of the soul.

~ *Gandhi*

**As the deer pants for streams of water,
so I long for you, O God.**

~ *Psalms 42:1 (NLT)*